

ORRRC Trustee Meeting

February 10, 2022

Attendees

Note: Annual Members Meeting held in-person at the Antioch Shrine – Downtown Dayton.



- Peter Qumsiyeh – President & RD
- Robert Faux – Vice President & RD
- Eddie Weaver – Treasurer & RD
- Jim Bulach – Secretary & RD
- David (Hoot) Gibson – Trustee & RD
- Karen Gildow – Trustee & RD
- Kevin Johnston – Trustee & RD
- Jen Yoak – Trustee & GnG Co-Race Director
- Ruth Kohstall – Trustee & RD
- Nick Alexander – Trustee
- Quintin Elking – Trustee
- Brandon Hough – Outgoing Trustee
- Jeff McPherson – Member & Club Historian
- Ed Wallace – Member & Clock Maintenance
- Margaret Hurley – Member & Turkey Trot Co-Race Director
- Kathleen Tiller – Member & Grand Prix Race Director
- Kim Johnston – Member & Co-Race Director
- Kelsey Snively – Member & Race Director
- Denny Bennett – Member
- Carol Bennett – Member
- Felix LeBlanc – Member
- Amanda Qumsiyeh – Member
- Max Qumsiyeh – Member
- Ruth Alexander – Member
- Anne Sargent – Member & Dayton Galloway
- Nate Buckner – Member & Dayton Galloway
- Josh Welhener – Member
- Tom Tiller – Volunteer

Agenda and Minutes for the Annual Membership Meeting

- Annual Meeting of Members called to order at 7:35 PM by Peter.
- Roll Call – Went around the room and everyone introduced themselves.
- Eddie gave a summary on the club's Annual Financials.
 - He discussed funding for various items, such as scholarships, helping youth running clubs, photography of club events, the member's picnic, etc.

- With the ongoing pandemic, the club expected to have a loss. By tightening the budget and focusing on expense reduction, the loss was minimized dramatically to about \$2K, which he considers to be very acceptable.
- Hoot motions to approve the financials; Robert seconds; Motion passes (with Eddie abstaining).
- Seating of the Trustees.
 - The membership is advised that the following members were nominated to serve a one year term as Trustees beginning February 2022. Since those nominated did not exceed the number of open board seats, there was no need to hold an election.
 - Peter Qumsiyeh
 - Robert Faux
 - Eddie Weaver
 - Jim Bulach
 - Hoot Gibson
 - Kevin Johnston
 - Karen Gildow
 - Heidi Heckel
 - Jen Yoak
 - Nick Alexander
 - Quintin Elking
 - Ruth Kohstall
- Election of President, VP, Secretary & Treasurer.
 - Jim, as the 2021 outgoing secretary, took over and chaired the meeting with a call for nominations for President.
 - Robert nominated Peter. Kevin seconded the nomination. Jim confirmed Peter's willingness to accept the nomination. He then asked if there were any other nominations, of which there were none, making Peter the 2022 President.
 - Jim handed the meeting over to Peter, as the newly elected president, to continue the election of the remaining officers.
 - Peter called for nominations for Vice President.
 - Kevin nominated Robert. Hoot seconded the nomination. Peter confirmed Robert's willingness to accept the nomination. He then asked if there were any other nominations, of which there were none, making Robert the 2022 Vice President.

- Peter called for nominations for Secretary.
 - Eddie nominated Jim. Peter seconded the nomination. Peter confirmed Jim's willingness to accept the nomination. He then asked if there were any other nominations, of which there were none, making Jim the 2022 Secretary.
- Peter called for nominations for Treasurer.
 - Robert nominated Eddie. Jen seconded the nomination. Peter confirmed Eddie's willingness to accept the nomination. He then asked if there were any other nominations, of which there were none, making Eddie the 2022 Treasurer.
- Club History Presentation. (Jeff McPherson)
 - Peter asked Jeff to share his insights on the history of the club, which could be quite beneficial to the newly seated board as they take on their new roles and duties. Additionally, it could be very informative for our general membership in attendance at the meeting.
 - Jeff presented an overview of the vast history of the club - How we came to be, the huge challenges along the way, the key people who stepped up when the club was having extreme difficulty in sustaining itself, what we offer to our membership, along with the value that we present and how we got to where we are today.
 - He stressed the importance of the trustees and their primary function, which is to vote on what is brought to the board. He also stressed that every generation of the club will have its ups and downs, but the trustees need to really think about what we want the club to be and to try to make it be that thing. It is very important for the officers to carry out their duties in such a way that what they put in place, and how they do things, can easily be passed on to the next person.
 - The president needs to have a vision with one major thing to accomplish over the course of the year, which provides a primary focus point for the trustees and ensures that the club sustains itself in the best possible way to bring value to our membership and our running community.

- Club Clocks. (Ed Wallace)
 - Ed shared history and information on the club's older clocks. He brought the club's original clock to the meeting for some show and tell. He also let the group know that Jen Yoak's dad had a big part in the history of these clocks, so it is quite fitting that she is a major part of the club's timing team.



- Ed's been maintaining the clocks and is keeping them functional, but it is becoming more and more difficult to find parts, batteries and other maintenance items to keep them going.
 - He has a hard time throwing anything away, so he would like the board to consider possibly creating a display, such as "Running in Dayton." The display could include the club's original clock and maybe be located in a prominent location, such as the Carillon Historical Park.
- Grand Prix. (Kathleen)
 - She invited everybody to participate in the Grand Prix, which is up and running again. It was not during the last few years, so go to the website and sign up. Also, get other people to sign up.
 - Other items:
 - Denny stated that he appreciates Eddie's response to his questions on races and other information.

- Brandon gave an outgoing shoutout and wanted the club to know that he is not going anywhere and will support the club in any way that he can.
- Annual Meeting of the Membership was adjourned by Peter at 8:21 PM.

Agenda and Minutes for the Trustee Meeting

- Trustee Meeting called to order by Peter at 8:29 PM.
- Approval of January's Meeting Minutes. (Jim)
 - Eddie motions to approve; Robert seconds; Motion passes (two abstains – Jim and Kevin).
- Financials. (Eddie)
 - Accounts: Checking \$20,000.00; Ancillary \$505.85; Savings \$146,681.79.
Total all accounts: \$ 167,187.64 (Est. Yearly ops costs: \$365,648)
 - **Notes:**
 - **ORANGETHEORY PAYMENT FAILURES:** the fitness company ORANGETHEORY has still not paid for its Turkey Trot sponsorship, despite weeks of pursuit by the race directors and me. Further, they have not paid for Ghost 'n Goblin sponsorship either and are making us send them a paper invoice to pay the sponsorship. If they are not paid next month, I will request the Board ban their participation in our events for a period of two or three years.
 - **TAXES:** our taxes have been submitted to the IRS for the year and were accepted.
 - **BANK DIVIDEND:** we received \$141.56 as our membership dividend this year!
 - **TURKEY TROT:** the shown expenses are carry-over from 2021's Rumpke trash and porta-potties bills that arrived late from Rumpke.
 - **TWENTYTWENTYDEUX:** the reason for the lack of income is that the registrations haven't been paid out yet, but the shirts were paid already.
 - Denny asked how much money Orange Theory owes us. About \$800 Total.
 - Jim motions to approve the financials; Ruth K. seconds; Motion passes (with two abstains - Eddie and Quintin).
- Funding Considerations.
 - Caesar Creek rescue trailer (\$4,500) follow up / update – details attached (Peter/ group).

- Peter started the discussion by stating that he had attached details to the email. He knows Andrea is passionate about this, but we should do what's best for the club. And we should do what's best for the community. And if we can't come to a decision today, he's fine to push this to next month. He doesn't think it is time critical that we need a decision tonight. He thanks those who already provided feedback, which should save discussion time in this meeting. He liked Jim's suggestion that if other groups were to donate part of the \$4,500, then maybe if we were asked for something like \$1,000 or \$1,500, something more reasonable, and other groups were to put in the \$3,000, then it would make more sense for us to consider. He likes the suggestion because at that point it's not half of our available funding budget and allows us to continue to fund many of the other local programs that count on our funding.
- Eddie went through what we have available to cover this in the budget, We have \$10,000 allocated this year for community and scholarships. \$4,000 of this is scholarship earmarked and approximately \$2,000 is typically donated to the Wolverines. We have 2 or 3 other local groups that consistently come to us for assistance, which will only leave us with about \$2 - 3,000 left for everyone else before the budget is completely depleted.
- Ruth K. stated that, "If there is an injured person who must be kept supine during removal from the trail, I don't see why it wouldn't be possible to carry said person out on a hand stretcher, at least until reaching trails that would allow their "side-by-side with a cot on it" to be reached. If the injury occurs during an event, I'm sure there would be extra hands available to help carry and ease the load. And if it's not event related, I still think volunteers/strangers/locals could be called on to assist with removal. Seems like an extreme cost for something that will maybe never get used? How often have they had need for this in the past?
- Hoot stated that CORA designed, developed the trails for mountain biking, and maintains them. They had lots of races there, but not recently. It's important to note that it's primarily a mountain biking trail and if someone needs to get evacuated out of there, it's much more likely

somebody crashed on a mountain bike than running through the woods, which makes them an excellent group to solicit for additional funding.

- Josh Welhener is a member of the group. He says that he is willing to reach out to them to get their thoughts and willingness to donate.
- ORRRC is willing to help but cannot afford to provide the total requested funding.
- Galloway Raffle & Training Kickoff. (Nate).
 - Anne and Nate introduced themselves as the new faces of Dayton Galloway. Nate is the program director and Anne is the assistant director. They've taken over the program from David Hardwick, who was the former director.
 - As discussed before, we'd like to ask for a race entry into GnG and Turkey Trot, which we will raffle off at our 2022 training kickoff on Feb 20th.
 - We are very excited to work with ORRRC as we strengthen the Dayton running community.
 - Denny asked if he is an ORRRC member and what is in it for him?
- - Nate stated that he and Anne are members. The training plan for a race is the benefit that they offer.
 - Eddie wanted to know if they are a non profit. Nate does not know, but does not believe that Jeff does this as a non profitable venture.
 - Margaret wanted to know if Nate and Anne are paid. They are commission based.
 - Margaret said she is willing to do shirts, but is not as comfortable with free entries. Nate stated that he is only asking for one entry for Turkey Trot and one entry for GnG.
 - Peter stated that we will do shirts, but cannot do any free entries at this time, since this is not something the club has done before. It sets a precedence for other groups to come to us for free entries and we are currently not setup to make those determinations and logistically do this.

- Josh Welhener would like to start a new race at Caesar's Creek that's a disability race. (Josh)
 - Josh states, "I worked for the Greene County Board of Developmental Disabilities. And I do a lot of like community engagement, outreach, that kind of stuff. So let me start off by saying, I do a lot of work with the disability community and the community is very segregated. A lot of what I do is try to find ways to engage with different community groups so that I can combine previously segregated groups into general population type events. At Caesar's Creek, there is a one mile section that he wants to convert into an ATA accessible trail."
 - He is looking for backing from the club, liability insurance, volunteers, etc.
 - Eddie has concerns about sharing responsibility with an outside organization.
 - After much discussion, Josh said he would be fine making it an official ORRRC event / race. However, he has never been a race director and has no idea of what it takes to do this and comply with the club's protocols.
 - Ruth K. would like to meet with Josh to see what can be done. They will get back to board next month.

- Pre-Race Reports (Robert):
 - Sweetheart Shuffle – (Kevin)
 - Everything is ready to go with one minor modification. Due to scheduling at the YMCA, we don't get the room until 1:00, so the race will not start until 2:30. (previously it was slated for 2:00)
 - Frosty 14
 - No responses yet from race director.
 - Little Miami 10 Miler – (Beth)
 - Unfortunately, I still have not heard back from Yellow Springs about the use of the Bryan Center outdoor area. Since the race would be in 3 weeks from this Sunday, I propose that we make it virtual again. We (Kelly & I) cannot get a new course and venue in this short of a time frame. We can do awards like we did last year.
 - The board discussed this thoroughly with the following key points and decision:

- The race is part of Grand Prix, so this would affect the series quite dramatically.
 - It might be better to postpone and find a new race director if they do not want to do it.
 - We can keep the race and police the gym for 25 people max. Rent porta-potties for outside.
 - Peter motions that if limiting to 25 people and not using the Bryan Center does not work out, then we postpone to a date that we decide on at the next meeting. Hoot seconds. Motion passes.
- Xenia Marathon
 - We are getting shirts ordered.
 - We are soliciting and obtaining sponsors.
 - Kathy sent a reminder blast to promote the event.
 - There are currently 20 people registered.
 - Denny gave an interesting little note that someone from the Netherlands came to Xenia to run the Marathon. They were running the alphabet and needed an X. Xenia and one in China are the only one available in the world.
- Post-Race Reports (Robert):
 - Frostbite 5 (Ruth Kohstall)
 - The race was a success.
 - It was well-supported with plenty of volunteers.
 - The weather was very pleasant and comfortable for the race.
 - There were 239 participants, which was a very nice turnout as we return to racing after the pandemic.
- March Meeting will be held on March 10th at the Beaver Creek Township Fire Department (651 Orchard Lane, Beaver Creek, OH 45434).
- Around the Room:
 - Quintin – Stated that he is not getting emails. We will verify that we have a correct email address for him.

- Anne – Loves new website, but would like see it much easier to be a volunteer. Right now, you have to dig to find it. Not easy. Key words are very important.
- Kelsey – Seems like we are relying on certain club members to do lots of promoting. It might be nice to have a position on the club to do communication and promotions, especially for larger events like the Xenia Marathon. Peter suggested having it be a committee member. There seems to be differing opinions on this. Adding to agenda for next month.
- Robert – Suggested having a need for better race director training and/or shadowing.
- Denny – Likes Kelsey's idea of a dedicated promoter. Also, wants to know if we have a decent PA system. Would like a decent PA system added to the agenda for next month.
- Margaret – Happy to see new faces on the board and thinks the club is in good hands. Likes the ideas that she is hearing.
- Hoot – Wanted to ensure that everyone has seen the business-card-sized Race Cards that detail all of the club's races, including the 26 free ones. We've distributed them to the local running stores. However, if anyone has other ideas for getting them out, we have extra, so grab some and help promote the club.
- Jim – Did everyone sign the attendance sheets? I also want to welcome the new board members and am very excited to see the energy and enthusiasm in the room
- Eddie – I think this this is stepping out of my lane. All board members that are newly impaneled must have a conflict of interest on file. They're required to be reported to the President and the Secretary and we do have to file that with the IRS. You have to do it. - - Jim thanked Eddie for the reminder and passed out Conflict of Interest forms to the trustees to fill out.
- Jen – We also have these new membership promotional cards that have a QR code, which will take you right to the website for member sign-up. I got them to Up and Running and they were at the Frostbite. If anyone wants to grab some and take to the other running stores, or wherever, please do so.
- Ruth Alexander – Looking for more Miami County Races. There are a lot of member, who live to the North and it would be nice to have more races in that area.

- Nick – Would like to use technology to look at where our members live. Something like a heat map to better focus events in those areas.
- Kevin – Summer picnic is August 7th. Mark it on your calendar.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.