

ORRRC Trustee Meeting

January 11, 2024

Meeting Location: Dayton Metro Library - Southeast Branch
(21 Watervliet Ave, Dayton, OH 45420)



Attendees:

- Peter Qumsiyeh – President & RD
- Robert Faux – Vice President & RD
- Eddie Weaver – Treasurer, RD & Timing Team
- Jim Bulach – Secretary & RD
- Jen Yoak – Trustee, RD & Timing Lead
- David “Hoot” Gibson – Trustee, RD & Timing Team
- Kevin Johnston – Trustee & RD
- Karen Gildow – Trustee & RD
- Jennifer Summers – Trustee & RD
- Nicholas Alexander – Trustee & RD
- Cari Masek – Trustee
- Andrea Van Sickle – Trustee
- Margaret Hurley – TT Co-Race Director
- Greg Bell – TT Co-Race Director

Agenda / Meeting Minutes

- Meeting called to order by Peter at 6:30 PM.
- Approval of December’s Meeting Minutes. (Jim)
 - Everyone should have received the latest update (Revision 2), which includes the corrections and clarifications fed back by board members.
 - Added a note next to Ruth in the list of 2024 board nominees that she “withdrew her nomination on 12/22/23 due to scheduling conflicts with making in-person board meetings.”
 - Eddie stated that our bylaws do not typically allow this due to the possibility that someone could be pressured (or manipulated) to withdraw their nomination. However, in this case with Ruth not being able to serve the full term, it makes sense.
 - Hoot motions to approve the November minutes; Cari seconds; Motion passes. (Jim and Nick abstained).

- Financials. (Eddie)
 - Accounts: Checking \$123,915.03; Ancillary \$507.64; Savings \$183,049.07. Total of all accounts: \$307,471.74.
(Est. Yearly ops costs: \$365,648)
 - Notes:
 - FALSELY HIGH BALANCE: Our current balance appears much higher than it actually will be shortly. We just issued over \$50,000 in Turkey Trot expenses (they haven't cleared the bank yet though) which, when they clear, will bring our balance totals back into a more typical range for this time of the year. I just don't want anyone getting overly excited!
 - YEARLY FINANCIAL HEALTH: Evaluating the year's worth of activities, the ORRRC appears to be financially healthy compared to previous years, though we are not in a position of extreme excess like we were in 2018. Current fiscal prudence by the Board of Trustees and our Race/Event Directors has kept us solvent through COVID and drastic cost increases -- thank you to everyone who helped keep us financially stable enough to provide great, low-cost races for our membership and community!
 - Jen motions to approve the financials; Robert seconds; Motion passes. (Eddie abstains)

- Funding Considerations
 - None

- Pre-Race Reports (Robert):
 - Holiday Party (Ruth)
 - Location is secured and times posted.
 - As of Jan 9, we have 128 attendees registered. Max is 150.
 - Jen has agreed to put together a slide presentation for the event.
 - Denny is going to MC the event this year.
 - The caterer has been confirmed for the pulled pork and chicken.
 - Award winner selections are currently undergoing the voting process by the general membership, from a link to the candidates which is ONLY AVAILABLE FROM THE EMAIL LINK mailed to the membership, (and not actually posted to the website). This will help to prevent nonmembers from voting. It's been interesting to follow some of this on Facebook, as people have inquired about not finding a link on the website, responses about the emailed newsletter, and then finding the email after they actually look for it. Also, deadline to vote was changed from Jan 9 to Jan 17, due to

the delay in getting information ready. BIG THANKS to Kathy and Eddie for helping this process along!

- During the board meeting, there was quite a bit of discussion about the nomination for award winners, nominees with expired memberships, and the voting process.
- Amended by-laws will better define this in the future.
- Megan Scharrer is working on table decorations. Helium balloons apparently are prohibited.
- I have “bingo” cards ready for an icebreaker game to start the evening off. Prizes earned will be extra raffle tickets. Raffled items will mostly be cash envelopes, but there will be a few actual prizes. If anyone wants to solicit more prizes, be my guest!
- If anyone knows where the gold raffle cage is, I would like to use it again for the raffle tickets. I’ve got the tickets, but can’t find the cage.
- Frostbite 5 (Ruth)
 - 40th running of the FB5!
 - All systems moving forward on time for the race date in 2 1/2 weeks.
 - The new course has a slight change using the rear gate to return runners to the finish line, as opposed to running back on the sidewalk along Franklin Street.
 - The new course has been measured by several runners/walkers utilizing GPS and is pretty much spot on.
 - The new course will require new maps and reworking the course marshals in a couple of spots, but is otherwise very similar to the previous course.
 - Will plan for giving out awards at the finish line as we have, and no plans for awards ceremony (unless Jennifer can come up with a way to give results before all runners have finished?!)
 - The new date of January 28 is still a surprise to some folks, as they are used to the Feb date and not paying attention. I hope that (and the weather) won’t have a big impact on attendance!
 - And Miriam has been a wonderful co-race director! She is willing and eager to help, and has done plenty to get everything ready.
- Frosty 14 (Barney & Renee)
 - I have viewed and understand my race budget as shown on the Treasurer tab of the website, and understand that costs above my budget may not be reimbursed by the Club.
 - I request a budget increase for this year to cover the chili cost.
 - Chili cost is \$750 and has been for as long as I’ve been RD, but budget is for \$300. I can eat the cost personally if that is what the

club desires, but I would think that someone would review this every year.

- Sweetheart Shuffle 5K (Kevin)
 - It's on track and everything looks good.
 - Venue reserved.
 - No permit is needed, because Eaton does not require it.
- 200K No Way (Peter)
 - Gina can no longer do this, but Jennifer Summers is willing to take over.
 - Jennifer would like to have the authority to make some changes to the program to improve it, including doing something special for those that do all the events, which exceeds the 200K distance.
 - Jennifer also had questions on the budget and the amount of leeway that she would have to generate and use profits to reinvest in the series for additional improvements. Peter asked her to bring those ideas, along with the specific details, to future board meetings to obtain approval.
 - Peter motions to approve Jennifer Summers as the RD for the 200K No Way Program; Eddie seconds; Motion passes. (Jennifer abstains)
- Post-Race Reports (Robert)
 - Winter Solstice (Kristy)
 - Race Participation: 153
 - \$590 in cash received.
 - I plan on returning and holding the race in the same week and day next year.
 - It was a beautiful day weather-wise. Some of the wood bridges/walkways were unexpectedly slick from melting frost/dew. Had several injuries. Otherwise, the race went great. No reports of people getting lost.
 - I talked to Kayla Edwards. She's willing to co-direct the summer and winter solstices with me for 2024. With her help, I think I can go ahead and do it again next year.
- Board Discussions / Votes:
 - Board Elections – approve poll workers. (Jim/Peter)
 - Peter makes a motion to allow Ruth to remove herself as a nominee for the 2024 board of trustees. Hoot seconds. Motion passes.
 - Kathy, Margaret and Greg are willing to be the poll workers to facilitate and run the election, which will take place at the Frostbite 5, the Holiday Party, and the Annual Members Meeting.

- Kevin makes motion to approve Kathy Robbins, Margaret Hurley, and Greg Bell to be the official poll workers for this election. Hoot seconds. Eddie amends that Kathy Robbins be the Inspector General for the election. Robert seconds the amendment. Motion passes.
 - Following the vote, Andrea questioned why we are not having online voting. There was much discussion on this topic, along with the logistics of putting it in place. Andrea will reach out to Kathy to discuss further. It is completely up to Kathy, as the Inspector General, to make the final decision on this option.
- RD Training Date/Time (Robert).
 - Training will take place on January 27, 2024, from 1 PM to 4 PM.
 - It will take place at the Beaver Creek Fire Station on Orchard.
 - Robert will put up ORRRC signs to lead attendees to the correct entry door once they arrive at the venue.
 - Hoot submitted some feedback on the agenda. Peter requested that other people also provide feedback on items that they want added and covered.
- Runners Plus Club Fair on Sunday 1/21 & Adventure Summit on Friday 2/9 and Saturday 2/10 (Peter/Jennifer)
 - We will have a booth at both events.
 - We need at least one person to volunteer to be at our booth.
 - Robert states that he will be at the Runners Plus Club Fair.
 - For the Adventure Summit, Robert, Norm, and Jennifer will work our booth at that event.
 - For the Adventure Summit, Jennifer would like to have banners that advertise our club, along with additional banners containing the dates of our large races. She has lots of ideas to really promote our club and is putting together a tote to do this. She is looking for guidance on what she is allowed to do on her own and when she needs to get board approval. Peter asked that she put together a proposal of requested expenditures and send it to him.
- Executive Sessions (Trustees)
 - At 7:25 PM, Eddie motions that we move to executive session with Greg and Margaret present; Peter seconds; Motion passes.
 - At 7:35 PM, the board came out of executive session.
 - Eddie motions that we exercise the option to terminate the contract with Stack Sports. Nick seconds. Motion passes.
 - Hoot motions to initiate a contract with Can't Stop Timing to take over the timing services of the Turkey Trot. Jen seconds. Motion passes.

- At 7:46 PM, Peter motions to go into executive session; Robert seconds; Motion passes.
 - At 8:22 PM, the board came out of executive session.

- Annual Focus (Andrea – attached).
 - Due to time constraints, this agenda item is moved to February.
- Purchasing Equipment with race profit (Jennifer)
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- Club bylaw changes update (Eddie).
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- Blue Line Media (Peter).
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- Membership counts
 - 1,255 total members – 68 lifetime members = 1186 (-1)
 - 836 households - 43 lifetime households = 791 (-2)

- Around the Room: (items that require a discussion or vote should wait until next month's meeting, if possible)
 - Kevin – Has a concern about the proper amount of food reservation for the Annual Meeting, especially since we have so many people running for the board.
 - Jen – The new battery for the timing clock worked very well.
 - Eddie – Struggling to keep up with everything. He asks everyone to please have patience and bear with him.
 - Nick – Has not gotten any papers to sign-up for either the Holiday Party or the Annual Meeting of the Membership.

- Peter adjourned the board meeting at 8:24 PM.