

Minutes of MHRRC Exec. Board Meeting – Tues. Nov. 14, 2017 at K of C Hall

Club Officers Present: Pat DeHaven, Keith Axelrod and Erika Abraham.

In Attendance: Claude Bodley, Fred Policastri, Irv Miller, Roy Abraham, Deborah Schwartz, Bill Rosenberg, Rebecca Withers, Linda Stow, Sue O’Neil and Lori Decker.

At approximately 7:10 pm the meeting commenced.

Treasurer’s Report: Given by Pat for the fourth quarter, listing balances in the club and Classic accounts. Bills are coming in for the Turkey Trot, annual RRCA fee is due and Classic donation will be paid. Bib orders have not yet been invoiced by Gail Sherry. We are awaiting bill for Turkey Trot shirts (335 registered to date). Club finances ending in 2017 are in good shape.

Walkway Races Update: Given by Sue O’Neil who detailed changes for 2018 (June 9) events date. The marathon will be eliminated and the 5k and half marathon courses will be the same as in 2017. These races will start 5-5:30 pm and all events will be a one day affair, with packet pick-up and finish still at Marist College. Bringing back the original Treetops To Rooftops 5k at a later date as a possibility.

Mail Chimp: Information was given by Deborah. Cost is free after 2,000 members, which now costs us \$30/ month. We want a quality list of members. Having compelling headlines may be the key to attracting more members.

Club’s Future Direction: This discussion was led by Keith, who said we need younger people as the next generation to lead the club. Justin Feldman opened an Instagram account for the club. Can we reach out to other clubs to attract future members/planners for the club? We need people to learn how to score races. We can let our equipment be selectively used by members of other clubs, upon which they must become part of our club. We need to integrate with other clubs and keep our club as the center of interest for other clubs. We could give pertinent information to Pete Colaizzo for use in his sports column.

Election of club officers: Pat reported that we need a better way of communicating this to properly involve more membership participation i.e. Instagram, Facebook and social media.

Race Calendar: We will look at all races and eliminate some. Race scoring is hard in May and October for Tom Storey due to more club races. Deborah and Pat will put out a race schedule listing probable race eliminations. They will do a spreadsheet on our race finishers data, scorers, venues and volunteer crews for previous race statistic information. Probable eliminations discussed include: Pete’s Winter Run (Feb.), Jailbreak 5k (May), Sports Museum 5k (Aug.), Wa Wa Waddle 5k (May) and under consideration is the Schalathaus 5k (Oct.). We will dedicate the K of C Holiday Run in honor of Pete Sanfilippo and call it the “Pete Sanfilippo Memorial Holiday Run”. Mike Slinsky is an honorary club member.

Revised Club By-Laws: Updated revision was prepared by Pat with changes needed to meet RRCA guidelines. Board members must read these revised rules and send Pat any suggestions, comments,

questions or additions. When approved by the Board, the membership must vote on them after final review by the RRCA.

At 8:50pm the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by Erika Abraham.