



Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club
Board Meeting
Point of Woods Community Center
February 12, 2020 @ 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: Tom and Marcia Adams, Jim Tierney, Sally Drake, Jessica Northan, Brian Northan, Tom McGuire, Michelle Davis, Ed Hampston, Ray Lee, Ken Skinner, Christine Varley, Jon Rocco

Call to Order (Frank Broderick):

Motion to approve the January 8th, 2020 meeting minutes made by Tom McGuire seconded by Jon Rocco. Motion approved.

2. Reports of Officers

2.1 President's Report--Absent

2.2 Executive Vice-President (Jessica Northan):

Jessica reported that applications are coming in for the Schrader Scholarship. Publicity has been better with communication to Section 2 athletic directors and ads in the Pacesetter and USATF newsletter.

Distinguished Service Member nominations must be submitted by the March board meeting. The vote will be held in April.

2.3 Executive Vice President for Finance (Michelle Davis):

No Report

2.4 VP for Running Events (Ed Hampston):

Ed reported that Winter Series 3, 4 and 5 were held since the last meeting. Overall participation is down 10 percent, with a total of 1373 total runners, mostly attributable to bad weather for Winter Series 4. Grand Prix awards were distributed at Winter Series 5.

Jon Rocco reported on the 2019 final race report. There were a total of 14,644 finishers in all the races. 2018 and 2019 were nearly identical in total race finishers, with the same races held in each year. The big 4 races account for 11,266 runners in 2019.

2.5 Treasurer (Tom McGuire):

January financials were distributed. Total assets are about \$612K, total equity is \$611K.

2.6 Treasurer of Running Events (Ravi Chauhan- Absent):

2.7 Secretary (Sally Drake): No report.

No report

3. Reports of Committees

3.1 Membership (D. Fisher-Golden-absent): Marcia reported that we have 2476 members, less 48 members. FB 3283 likes; Twitter 317 followers, up 1.

3.2 Volunteers (M. Adams): Marcia reported that she Handed out winter series survivor awards.

3.3 Public Relations (R. Newkirk): No report

3.4 Website (E. Neiles-Absent): No report

3.5 Conflicts Committee (M. Davis): No report

3.6 Grants Committee (Jessica Northan): Jessica reported that seven applications were received including one that the Committee would like to present as a special grant.

The board discussed a proposal submitted that would start a running program for children with sensory issues. Funds would be used to rent a safe space to run--ideally a fenced track at a school, race entry and water and supplies for training runs. Approximate estimate is \$1000. Jessica will reach out to the applicant for more details and talk about the possibility of applying for a special grant. The Board is supportive of the concept and efforts to fund the program. The Grant committee reviewed applications and approved for funding:

- **Roundabout Runners Club**, funds for equipment for a spring trails series at Luther Forest in Malta (\$750);
- **Friends of Wilton Recreation**, fitness station path (\$500);
- **Saratoga Stryders**, Beat Beethoven, kick-off to summer trail series trail improvements (\$500);
- **Voorheesville Memorial Day Race**, race expenses and support (\$500)

Total \$2250.

3.7 Just Run Program (K. Skinner): Ken is getting the Spring program planning underway. Most schools are returning and he expects to add another three or four new schools. Guilderland High School is booked for June 1 and 2 for the track meet.

3.8 Elections Committee (K. Skinner): No report.

4. Old Business:

Tom reported that the Workforce Team Challenge Charities of Choice will likely be announced next week. February 24 is the target date for registration to open.

5. New Business:

Marcia discussed the 9 inch digital clock that is currently at the headquarters and asked if the Club would support selling or surplusing it as it is not used and is very cumbersome. The Board agreed to sell the clock if there is an interested buyer.

6. Adjourn:

A motion to adjourn was made by Tom McGuire, seconded by Ray Newkirk. Motion Approved.

March refreshments will be provided by Marcia.