Florida Strider Minutes

Meeting online via ZOOM

February 9, 2021

**Members present:** Sara K. Guthrie, Jon Guthrie, Mike Mayse, Zack Hanna, Dave Allen, Mae Barker, Suzanne Baker, Scott Hershey, Amy Bonnette, Kathy Murray, Mike Martinez

**Members absent:** Perry Pelham, Michele Pelham, David Bonnette, Bill Krause. Shelly Allen

**Guests**: Eugene Biala, Carol MacDougall

**Call to order: President, Jon Guthrie**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03.

**Approval of January minutes**

A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Mike Mayse, seconded by Scott Hershey. The Ayes have it. Minutes approved.

**Officer and chair reports:**

**President – Jon Guthrie**

Jon discussed the RRCA Convention that will be in Orlando, at the Sheraton Orlando Lake Buena Vista, on April 15 – 18, 2021. We will have a special nightly rate of $159.00. The regular price for these rooms are $395.00 a night. Any one that is going should go ahead and make your reservations. As of now Mae Barker, Zack Hanna, Dave and Shelly Allen, Jon and Sara Guthrie are planning on attending. Money budgeted for convention will be split among our representatives attending.

**Treasurer’s report - Bill Krause**

Beginning cash balance as of January 1 was $24,324.76 and the ending cash balance on January 31 was $23,696.83.

January income was $18,732.26, while expenses were $19,360.19, reflecting a loss of $627.93.

Income includes memberships, donations, and reimbursements from the race accounts for expenses.

Expenses include newsletter printing, our annual Florida Reporting fee, new equipment, monthly storage, website fees, park permit for our annual picnic, our semi-annual donation to SJCD for the use of their track, advances for race account expenses, and a distribution of the designated scholarship fund.

The Certificates of Deposit account balances totaled $64,453.99 on January 31.

The Social account balance is $2,500.00, reflecting no expenses for the month.

The Bulk Mail account has a balance of $89.62 reflecting expenses of $85.45 for newsletter mailing.

The Prepaid race expense account has a $0 balance.

The Drive account has a balance of $145.75.

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**Budget to Actual Report**

YTD income/receipts as of January 31 were $18,732.256, and expenses/disbursements were $19,360.19, reflecting a net loss of $627.93 for the year. This compares to a net loss of $5,699.17 for the same time last year, or a positive difference of $5,071.24.

The club’s net worth as of January 31 was $111,156.71 compared to $109,569.65 last year, reflecting an increase of $1,587.36.

**Social – Amy Bonnette**

Saturday, February 20, there will be a run/social at Oakleaf. Runners will enjoy breakfast sandwiches from Chick-fil-A after their run.

The Striders Annual Picnic will be held on April 25.

**Membership- Eugene Biala**

We have 525 active members. Thirty one members have renewed, and 13 have joined.

**Strideright newsletter – Cari Holbrook**

The March/April deadline for the next Strideright articles will be February 20.

**Old Business:**

**Resolution Run – Perry Pelham**

No report this month.

**Angry Tortoise recap – Mae Barker**

This run made over $6,000.00. Mike Martinez provided sponsors. Mae would like to keep this as a weekend event. This year was the year of viruses and rain. Runners came from TX, NC, FL/ Three runners got stuck in the mud, one person got lost. But, a fun time was had by all.

**New business:**

**Volunteer Hall of Fame update – Sara Guthrie**

This year’s recipient was Scott Hershey. The committee voted on Scott for all the work he has volunteered to do since becoming a Strider member. Well deserved, Scott.

Mae Barker thought that we should also provide a Lifetime Membership for HOF members. Motion by Mae Barker, seconded by Kathy Murray, Ayes have it, motion approved.

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**Run to the Sun – Mike Martinez**

Budget to be given to Jon. Operating gross should be around $10,800. Medals and flyers have been ordered. The question was brought up as to where to put the flyers: 1st Place Sports, gym? Flyers should be given to schools for the children’s run before Spring break.

**Memorial Day 5K – Scott Hershey**

Race directors need to tell shirt makers where to put the sponsors on the back of the shirt. Race directors need to make sure that the sponsors are current. Hopefully, there will be more runners this year, since Covid-19 made last year’s run virtual.

**Children’s running update – Carol MacDougall**

Numbers are way down from last year. RR this year had 411 children running whereas last year there were 863. Money from Best Bet was received and handed out to the six schools involved. Best Bet will continue giving as long as they can. The criteria for each school is: 1) school enrollment, 2) 25 finishers or more.

There has been a drastic change in school faculty, so communication is needed.

**Friday fun run – Mae Barker**

To get this started Mae would like 1) more group options, 2) meet at Urban Bean, if possible.

**Recruitment of new board members**

Board still needs to be looking for new board members to replace the members leaving. Jon stressed that a new president needs to also be found.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10

Respectfully submitted,

Sara K. Guthrie,

Florida Strider Secretary

**Upcoming Events**

Gate River Run – 3/20/2021

Run to the Sun – 4/10/2021

April BOD meeting – 4/13/2021

RRCA Convention – April 15-18, 2021 in Orlando / RRCA.ORG

Annual Picnic at Mandarin Park and election of Board –4/25/2021– new officers needed

May BOD meeting – 5/11/2021 (election of Board officers)

Memorial Day 5K – 5/31/2021