Minutes / May 9, 2023 FSTC Board of Directors

Meeting online via ZOOM

**Members present:** Joni Neidigh, Britta Fortson, Suzanne Baker, Chris Baker, Barbara Knox, Shelly Allen, (Bill Krause outgoing board member), Bobby Wood, Adam Cross, Heather Thompson, Larry Neidigh, Emma Milson, Josue Velazquez, Jakob Irwin, Jack Frost, Dave Allen

**Members absent:** none

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

List of current board members:

Joni Neidigh, Britta Fortson, Adam Cross, Emma Millson, Josue Velazquez, Jack Frost, Suzanne Baker, Chris Baker, Shelly Allen, Dave Allen, Jon Guthrie, Larry Neidigh, Robert Wood, Barbara Knox, Heather Thompson, Jakob Irwin

Introduction of new board members: Chris Baker, Larry Neidigh, Robert Wood, Barbara Knox, Heather Thompson, and Jakob Irwin

Nomination and election of club officers for 2023-2024

President- Joni Neidigh

Vice President- Heather Thompson

Secretary- Britta Fortson

Treasurer- Adam Cross

Motion to approve- all in favor of the new officers

Approval of April minutes – approved

Treasurer Report below – Bill Krause, who is stepping down

For April- we had a lot of expenses in April; Run to the Sun is not closed yet; we donate $1000 to each school that participates in Run to the Sun, we have six checks we wrote for this based on participation of students in the race; we had a loss for April of just under $2000; there is a credit card rebate- we try to use it for every major expense to get the most bang for our buck as we get a 1.5% rebate; our site that we use for the website is “The Driven”-donations, race registrations etc; every month we have reimbursements from race accounts; expenses include storage, web site fees, expenses for volunteer award and GRR for April; we had the RRCA convention and the picnic; we bought new jerseys for the running team, kids running expenses; we have three CDs on a five year rotating basis; the CDs are not making us that much money- Bill recommends to get out of CDs; the social account started at $2500 for the year, we spent $443 at the picnic; pre-paid race account needs more money so we can rely on it; we are paid through the Driven- donations are made through this account and it is paid out to us; Bill has been comparing year to year to see how we are functioning; we have an increase overall from last year to this year; we use square on race day to take payment on race day; we also have race expenses; Bill went over the treasurer report in detail to explain expenses to the new members. We will need to plan for the Danny Weaver Scholarship, we have five scholarships that will be $1500; budget for races gets set every December for the year and compare the race proceeds year to year; membership is lacking right now, and donations are down; Best Bet donates $1500 to schools that participate in Resolution Run and they send the checks directly to the schools. The biggest single line item is children’s running.

Membership – Membership is down, but that may be that we have not seen the update from new members from “The Driven” yet. Eugene Biala is our membership coordinator; he is also computer savvy. March is usually a big month for membership. It would be good to know who dropped their membership. Getting new members and retaining our members is equally important. We could do more through our website through The Driven. We may not be using The Driven to its fullest potential. There may be more we can do to improve membership. Joni may want to have a membership meeting/committee.

**Old Business**

Track status update – We still do not have a track to use; we are trying to get Bishop Snyder to get back with us. Orange Park High School- at the meet Bobby talked to the coach there and she is going to see if we can use the track, but there may be a fee, the use of track my increase membership

Strideright – New editor is Michelle Colina worked with Tiffany for this one, but now Michelle is on her own/ May-June edition has been published; looked good! Please submit things to the Strideright, even short information that is running related

Hog Jog- new logo, thank you Suzanne for coming up with a great logo

Running Team – Shelly- no new news, it is on auto-run

Social news – We had our annual meeting; the board was elected and 60 people showed up

RRCA convention – Joni and Adam attended; Joni will be the one who chooses who will go next year

Summer run camp for children- Dave and Suzanne have agreed on a week July 17-21st for a one-week camp and they are getting approval to have it at Fleming Island High School; may end the week with a track meet

Run to the Sun 5K – Adam and Bill- we are still waiting on expenses to come in. We may make about $5000; web site was down so that may affect why

**New Business**

Scholarship update – Bill Krause- We have six scholarships as someone donated $1000 for the sixth student. Four people are on the committee.

Adam Cross – information from Space Coast Runners and potential group training for Evergreen Pumpkin Run- Adam would like walkie-talkies to communicate back and forth at races that way we can communicate more easily during races; Adam wants to discuss things he learned from Space Coast- Adam could sign up on race day. Motion made to purchase walkie talkies- approved.

Thank you to Bill for your years of service!! He received an award at the picnic.

We need volunteers for Memorial Day- questions about what time the marshals need to get there; Jon suggested to post this on our FB page.

Adjournment

**Upcoming Events**

Memorial Day 5K – 5/29/2023

June Board Meeting – 6/13/2023

July Board Meeting – 7/11/2023