

BRRC General Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/12/2015

Location: Perkins

Attendees: Jim Hoppe, Rob Anselmo, Paul Fitzpatrick, Sue Fitzpatrick, Pat Trout, Joan Pibnow, Mariko Morgan, Brenda Gill, Paul Gill, Lori Buratto, Dori Whitford, Ken Mulvania, Bart Haggin, Patty Doyle, Dennis Doyle, Jody Shapiro, Robert Towne

Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm.

Agenda Topics

Old Business

Topic: Treasurer's Report

Discussion: Paul Gill presented the Treasurer's Report, which was approved by the membership.

Action Items: N/A

Person Responsible:

Deadline:

Topic: Oreo Cookie Award

Discussion: The Oreo Cookie Award was given to Heather Lefriec for setting Women's Masters Record at Partners in Pain. She also won the Women's Masters Division at Snake River Half Marathon.

Action Items: N/A

Person Responsible:

Deadline:

Topic: Partners in Pain

Discussion: New Master's records were set by Carl Combs and Heather Lefriec. The profit from this event was approximately \$500.00. The number of participants was down compared to last year. It took 2 hours and 12 minutes to get the results out, which was longer than it should. The microphone was used during the award ceremony and raffle drawings, but it was still hard to hear for participants. The race will be held on Saturday next year.

Action Items: N/A

Person Responsible:

Deadline:

Topic: St. Paddy's Five

Discussion: As of 3/15/2015, 954 participants have registered; 66% of participants were women.

Action Items: N/A Person Responsible: Deadline:

Topic: Annual Banquet

Discussion: The budget was overspent due to an increase of \$1400.00 over last year for the room at Lincoln Center. The number of participants is getting low every year.

Action Items: N/A Person Responsible: Deadline:

Topic: Budget

Discussion: Beginning in 2015, Cups/Race Supplies will be itemized, Equipment Repairs and Club Shirts will be added to the budget. Proposed Membership Revenue for 2015 is \$8000.00. It went up from \$4500.00 in 2014. Membership fee is now increased to \$27.00 for family. Paul Gill stated that there will be gender specific shirts for members this year, since a lot of members suggested this. The number of membership has increased significantly in 2014. There is also a budget item for \$120.00 for Fees/Permits on the 2015 Budget. Paul Gill will look into to this and find out how this budget item is going to be used.

Action Items: N/A Person Responsible: Deadline:

New Business

Topic: Holiday Party and Annual Banquet

Discussion: There was an open discussion about possibly combining the Holiday Party and Annual Banquet. The Holiday Party in 2014 had a large turnout despite the busy Holiday Season. A lot of people from Manito Running Club also joined the party. However, the number of participant is decreasing for Annual Banquet. The \$20.00 fee per person may be too much for some folks. The format for this party should accommodate families and kids. Manito Running Club could bring more people if we can offer a lower cost event. The Annual Banquet took 2 hours, so combining the two events might not be feasible. Also, the more club events we offer, the more opportunity for people to get to know each other. If we did combine the two parties, the budget might need to be increased.

Action Items: Board will keep discussing and will research different venues with lower costs. Board is open to ideas from members.

Person Responsible: Board Deadline: Ongoing

Topic: Bloomsday Trade Show Booth

Discussion: Credit Card Reader is now available to use at the Trade Show to collect membership fees. Volunteer signup sheet was passed around during the meeting and people signed up to help.

Action Items: N/A Person Responsible: Deadline:

Topic: Recycle Run

Discussion: The race will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 6pm. Switched from Thursday to Wednesday so that the race will not be held on same day/time as Flying Irish Running Club.

Action Items: N/A Person Responsible: Deadline:

Topic: Speedwork

Discussion: Speedwork will begin next Tuesday, March 17, 2015. Jon will help out with Speedwork. Parking Permits are not needed as long as it's past 5pm.

Action Items: N/A Person Responsible: Deadline:

Topic: RRCA Convention

Discussion: Paul Gill will be attending the convention as the RRCA Representative for Washington State. Cost is paid by RRCA. This year's convention will be held in Des Moines, Iowa.

Action Items: Decide on one more person from the Board to attend the convention. Mariko Morgan will look into her schedule.

Person Responsible: Mariko Morgan Deadline: ASAP

Topic: Changing Monthly Meetings from Thursday to Wednesday

Discussion: There was an open discussion to move monthly meetings from Thursday to Wednesday, so that more members from Manito Running Club can attend. A lot of Manito runners also go to Flying Irish Running Club on Thursdays. If monthly meetings are going to remain as business meetings, we may want to keep the meeting on Thursdays and get Manito runners involved in other ways. Perkins has accommodated BRRC by reserving the big room every month on Thursday. If we are going to move the meeting to a different day, we need to consider that the big room at Perkins may not be available and we may need to seek a different venue. BRRC could use more help with volunteering at races from

Manito. The idea of having guest speakers come on Thursday at 7pm and inviting runners from Manito and Flying Irish was suggested.

Action Items: Continue to evaluate what date works for everybody and the club. Have a signup sheet for the Bloomsday Tradeshow at Manito Running Club.

Person Responsible: Mariko Morgan, Jody Shapiro Deadline: Ongoing

Topic: Spokane Marathon Training Clinic

Discussion: The next Race Rag will have the registration form for the Marathon Training Clinic. Online form will be uploaded to BRRRC website. Clinic is scheduled to begin in mid-April. Official kickoff is scheduled for June 13th at Runners Soul. Pizza will be served at the kick-off event and there may be a guest speaker. Fee is \$100.00 for the clinic, which includes the registration for the Spokane Marathon and a training shirt. If participants want to sign up for the clinic only, fee is \$75.00. There was a suggestion to create pace groups so that participants will always have someone to run with and to build a support system for each other.

Action Items: Spokane Marathon Committee will continue to discuss the details for the clinic.

Person Responsible: Spokane Marathon Committee Deadline: Ongoing

Topic: Mailing Checks

Discussion: When mailing race registration checks, it was suggested to always mail them to secure PO BOX or locked mail box. A \$5447 check from Partners in Pain didn't arrive and Dori had to deal with this. From now on, all BRRRC race directors should use either a PO BOX or locked mailed box.

Action Items: Use secure PO BOX or locked mail box Person Responsible: Race Directors
Deadline: ASAP

Topic: Joan's 80th Birthday

Discussion: Joan's 80th Birthday Party will be held on Friday, April 3rd at the downtown Anthony's. A motion was made to use \$300.00 from BRRRC for appetizers and cake. The motion was approved. The club appreciates all of her hard work and dedication to BRRRC.

Action Items: N/A Person Responsible: Deadline:

Meeting adjourned 7:47pm. Submitted by Mariko Morgan