

Zoomer's Meeting March 5, 2014

Members Present: President – Dug Stetter, Vice President – Ed Gillen, Treasurer – Sherry La Bree, Membership Director – Marti Stetter, Race Coordinator – Bob Geyer, Volunteer Coordinator – Ed Morgan and Zoomer members – Donna McGinn, Steve Vieira, Carol Geyer, Don Fialka, Dave Pierce and Joan Morgan

President – Dug Stetter opened the meeting and acknowledged Steve Vieira who recently organized the Harbour Heights 5K. Members present congratulated Steve and his wife Debbie for another outstanding 5K. Steve said he is currently going around and giving out metals to the 2nd and 3rd place runners who didn't receive them at the race. Steve said that the committee behind the Harbour Heights 5K is looking into the idea of formulating a Half Marathon in the Harbour Heights area.

Dug said that he is trying to get the registration forms from some Race Directors so he can put them on the computer. He immediately puts all registration forms on the computer so they can be downloaded.

Secretary Minutes – Stephanie Powers

- sent the minutes from last month by computer. She was not able to make the meeting on March 5th. The minutes were accepted by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report – Sherry La Bree

-Treasurers report is for January 1 – January 31, 2014

-January 1, 2014 Zoomers opening balance was \$14,444.40

-During the month of January Zoomers had receipts from membership/marketing for \$95.00, \$19.53 for Sports Sign Up, \$136.86 from Pay-pal for membership, and \$75 from Bicycle Center of Port Charlotte. Money received from timing was: \$531.00 from Turkey Trot, \$300.00 from Scrub Jay, \$300 from Resolution Run, \$300 from Tippecanoe, and \$175 from Frosty 5K.

-Total receipts for the month of January was \$2,007.39

-Expenses for the month included: Hosting Go-Daddy - \$14.99, \$50.89 for Trailer Repair, \$28.05 for Trailer Mileage, \$52.47 for Postcard stamps, \$34.78 for Officers meeting food, \$111.79 for Printing, and \$55.20 for Postage. A charity donation of \$969.44 was given to BOH Ranch and \$971.00 was spent on Holiday Party members' dinners.

-Total expenses for the month of January was \$2,438.61

-The closing balance for January 31, 2015 was \$14,015.18

-The Treasurers report was filed for a future audit.

Membership & Marketing Director's Report – Marti Stetter

- Marti reported 2 new single and 1 new family .
- Zoomers had 1 single renewal, 2 family renewals and 1 student renewal during the month of February.
- Currently we have 140 individual Zoomer members. Adding on our Family members gives the club currently 237 members which is up by 1 from last month.
- Membership information was placed in the minutes

Vice President Report – Ed Gillen

- Ed reported that the Scholarship Committee met and formulated the Zoomer Scholarship requirements. A senior must have been a Zoomer member for 2 years and a student in good standing. The student must have been a member of his/her school track or cross country team for 1 year or have run 2 Zoomer races. The student must have also volunteered at 2 Zoomer races.
- So far Zoomers has received one application for this year's scholarship. Deadline to turn in application for a Zoomer scholarship is April 30, 2014.
- Ed reported that Ann Dever Park will again be the location for the 3rd annual Zoomer Scholarship 5K. Zoomers have applied for the use of the facility for that date.

Race Coordinator – Bob Geyer

- Bob reported that the Scrub Jay 5K and 10K at Oscar Scherer Park has gone very well. All challenges were met and the groups putting on the race worked well together.
- Friends Day, Boca Grande and Harbour Heights were all successful races.
- St. Patty's Day 8K will be held on Saturday, March 15th. The race will start at 8:00 AM at Sharky's on the Pier.
- April Fools 5K will be held on April 6th at Maxine Barritt Park in Venice. The race starts at 7:30 AM and registration opens at 6:00.
- Sharks Tooth race on April 12th will not be timed by Zoomers. Dug will be working with Karen Haynes to coordinate how Zoomers will help.
- April 19th is the date set for the new race called Boston Strong to benefit victims of the booming at the Boston Marathon in 2013. The race will start in one place and end 3 miles away. Zoomers will have to figure out just how to get the race started and be ready to do all the finish line timing.

Volunteer Coordinator – Ed Morgan

- Ed thanked all the volunteers who helped at the races over the past month

-Volunteers for St. Patty 8K are Bob, Carol, Donna, Ed. G., Dave, Gail, Michael, Herb B., Tina, Holli, Kathy V., Marti, Dug, Ed M. and Joan

-Volunteers for April fool's Day 5K are Bob, Carol, Ed, Joan, Donna, Dave, Stephanie, Kathy V.

-Volunteers for Sharks Tooth – Marti, Dug, Donna, Stephanie, Steve and Debbie V., Ed G. and Don. Dug will organize volunteer positions. Dug would like to provide a paid breakfast for volunteers if possible.

-Volunteers for Boston Strong are Bob, Carol, Collette, Holli, Donna, Ed and Joan. More volunteers will be needed for this race.

-If you wish to volunteer contact Ed Morgan

Webpage Director's Report – Dug Stetter

-Webpage is up and running. Dug said he is trying to get some of the registration forms for future races so he can put them on the computer

Race Series (Adult and Kids) Committee Report – Tina Elkins (absent)

-The Kids and Adults Race series is updated

Special Events Committee Report – Tina Elkins

-The Zoomers Adult Race Series Banquet will be held on Sunday, March 9th. Tina sent word that everything is ready to go. The banquet starts at 1 PM and the attire will be black and white.

Old Business –

-Summer Kids Running Series is planned to be held at the Ann Dever Park on June 11th, 18th, 25th and July 2nd pending Zoomers securing the park.. Those willing to help contact Dug. The park hasn't been secured yet for this Summer Running Series. The cost per child will be \$5. Additional information will be on Zoomersrun.com as it becomes available.

New Business –

-Kids Race Series Party needs people to help. Several members volunteered to help and others wanting to help contact Tina

-Race Contracts for races after Doo Rag was, after a long discussion, tabled to be worked out by a committee to report back at a future meeting. A proposal to raise the race timing fee to \$800 was defeated. The proposed new contract will include levels of service that Zoomers provide. The fees might be set on the level of service. Setting a fee of \$300 or \$400 per race and \$2 or \$3 per runner was debated as possible solutions. Sherry provided reports on the amount spent by Zoomers to pay for the chip system, repair the trailer and other expenses for 2013. It was decided that Zoomers would time the Firecracker 5K if insurance requirements were met by the City of North Port at the

current fee structure. A letter was sent to inform the Race Directors of some potential races of the changes that will be occurring. Dug would like Zoomers to look into organizing an Ultra Marathon. The idea of Zoomers having more races totally organized by Zoomers was discussed. Contact Dug if you have a brilliant plan for the future of Zoomers.

Next meeting –

The next Zoomer meeting will be at the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce on April 5, 2014 starting at 7:00 PM. Dinner before the meeting for those who want to go will be at Plaza Mexico.