

ZOOMERS MEETING – MARCH 6, 2013

Submitted: Ed Gillen - Secretary

PRESENT: Tina Elkins, Donald Fialka, Bob & Carol Geyer, Ed Gillen, Manny Masony, Donna McGinn, Ed & Joan Morgan, Dave Pierce, Stephanie Powers, Betty Staugler, Marti & Dug Stetter, Ken & Krissy Varner, Ray Vigeant.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Tina Elkins):

Tina called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and started by welcoming new and returning members to the business meeting. Tina is seeking a committee for the new Zoomers Kids Race Series (see 2/6/13 minutes). Committee will discuss and plan the marketing of the series, awards, sponsors, t-shirts and recognition ceremony among other topics. The planned start of the series is September 2013 thru May 2014. If interested in volunteering, contact Tina Elkins at TinaMElkins@aol.com **as soon as possible**. The targeted audience is youths under 19 years of age. Tina requested that our family memberships send her the following information: name of youth under 19, their ages, gender, and birthdate.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Dug Stetter)

Dug asked for 6-8 Zoomer volunteers to work registration/packet pick-up at the Sharks Tooth 10k on April 13, 2013 in Venice. A number of members present volunteered. If interested, contact Dug Stetter at Zoomersvicepresident@gmail.com as soon as possible.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Ed Gillen)

Ed shared copies of the February 6, 2013 meeting minutes. Members voted unanimously to accept minutes. Ed noted that the January minutes have not been posted on the Zoomers website. Ed said that he would like to have 'draft' minutes posted on the website (and Facebook) as soon as possible to communicate important and timely information to members. Those in attendance agreed.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Sherry LaBree – absent due to illness)

Sherry submitted to Tina by e-mail the 'Treasurer's Report for February 1, 2013 (Statement date January 1-31, 2013)' showing an opening balance of \$10,738.83. Total receipts \$482.64, total expenses \$1,636.93. The closing balance was \$9,584.54. It was noted by Joan Morgan that Zoomers should utilize 'Constant Contact' more to communicate with membership.

MEMBERSHIP/MARKETING DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Marti Stetter)

Marti submitted March Membership report showing 5 *new* single members and 6 single renewals. The report shows that the total number of Zoomers, including families, is 219 (down from 229 in February). Membership breaks down as **85** 'Single', 34 'Families' with **90** members, 4 'Businesses' with **8** members, and 6 'Students.'

It was announced that all Zoomer members will receive a 10% discount through our business member Bicycle Center of Port Charlotte (3795 S. Tamiami Trail Port Charlotte, FL 33952).

RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Bob Geyer / Kimmi van der Veen, absent)

Bob reported that both the Friends Day and Boca Grande races were successful. He noted that the Zoomers will not be timing the Senior Games Bike Trials. Bob noted that Girls on the Run event on April 27 may have well over 600 children attending in addition to the running community. This number approaches the number of available timing chips Zoomers has at its disposal. There was an initial discussion about purchasing 150 additional chips at \$3 a piece to add to our current supply of around 730. Joan Morgan made the motion to purchase 150 additional timing chips at \$3 per, Dave Pierce seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Upcoming races:

- **St. Patty's 8k (3/16)**
- **Smoothie King 5k (4/7).**
- **Girls on the Run (4/27)**
- **Do Rag 5k (5/11)** formerly 'County Line 5k.
- **Firecracker (7/4)**

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE REPORT (Ed Morgan)

Ed thanked members in attendance for volunteering at recent Zoomer timed events. Ed briefly described the duties of volunteers to new members in attendance. At our timed events, volunteers can help with set up and tear down of the start/finish, day of registration, typing, extra course marshal(s) if we deem it necessary for safety, chip removal/return. A volunteer sheet for upcoming races was passed around the room. If you can volunteer, please contact at Ed Morgan at emjm67@yahoo.com

WEBPAGE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Louis van der Veen - absent)

No report. There was a discussion about how the website, especially as it relates to posting race results in a timely manner, is one of our most important tools to communicate with all of our current members, potential members, the running community, and race directors/customers as well as our image as a running club/timing company. An assistant with ability to modify was discussed. Ed G. is interested in assisting modifying the website. Board will discuss further.

RACE SERIES COMMITTEE REPORT (Kimmi van der Veen - absent)

No report. Notable changes mentioned included the County Line 5k is now the Do Rag 5k. The Hot August Night is an 8k and not a 5k.

SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE REPORT (Melissa Ellison - absent)

No report. In Melissa's absence, Tina and those in attendance gave high praise for her efforts in putting together the Award Banquet on March 3rd. The third annual Zoomers canoe trip is tentatively planned for August 11th. Details to follow. A 'Volunteer Appreciation' party was discussed. It was agreed that volunteers

should be recognized and they will be invited to attend the picnic that follows the Bocca Lupo 5k in October. Details to follow.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: Denise Stanfield Costa will be invited to attend Zoomers business meeting and given 15 minutes to discuss nutrition, wellness, weight loss, joint health, etc. Members welcome opportunity to hear an outside speaker as long as presentation is not a sales pitch. Tina will follow up with Denise.

NEXT MEETING: The next Zoomers business meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 3rd at 7 p.m at the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce located at 2702 Tamiami Trail, Port Charlotte, FL. **Proposed location for 5:30 p.m. dinner prior to meeting has yet to be determined.** All Zoomers or potential Zoomers are welcomed.