

**FINGER LAKES RUNNERS CLUB  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

August 12, 2018 5:30 pm  
170 Roberts Hall, Cornell University

In attendance:

Board members: Mike Allinger, Lesa Carter, Denice Cassaro, Adam Engst, Tonya Engst, Emily Funk, Rich Heffron, Pete Kresock, Alan Lockett, Gary McCheyne,

(5:30) Welcome Board

(5:32) Review of Meeting Materials

(5:35) Approval of the July Meeting Minutes

Gary moves to approve the minutes as submitted. Seconded. Approved: 9. No:

**New Business (5:35)**

- Injuries Among Runners
  - Discussing Jim Miner. Not going to do anything in this case. Typically provide assistance only for accidents.
- Letter in Support of Dryden Rail Trail:
  - Tonya: Explaining the situation with the rail trail. Tonya drafted a letter of support for the Dryden Rail Trail. Interesting to think of why runners would support this trail being finished. Letter is due next week. Adam moves to accept, Lesa seconds. Yes: 9, No: 0
- The FLRC Volunteer Picnic Update:
  - Currently 51 people registered.
  - Lesa was asking about numbers for buying food and drink. Not sure what a sufficient time frame would be, figuring a week out to call Wegman's catering. Need a list of attendees by August 15th to know how much food we need. Numbers will be approximate as we aren't requiring that they RSVP.
  - Denice will touch base with Shelly, who seems to be on top of the planning. Invite emails have already gone out.
- Possible consolidation of vendors we most frequently use
  - Denice: Do we want to create a vendor list? Can we come up with a deal for vendors we work with regularly?
  - Gary: Every couple years we do this and it always goes nowhere. Everyone uses the same vendors anyways and we have accounts with most of them already. Rainbow Racing does 90% of our bibs. The weirdest one is the shirts as RDs use different companies. Mike can look into this.
  - Denice: We can make a list and then review it and see if we want to streamline things or not.
- Procedure for cash box

- Mike: We approved the procedure last year at this time. Mike reads the procedure. (See Google Docs for procedure). We still have Forest Frolic outstanding. It makes sense to use the race-shirt cash box for larger races, not necessary for shorter races.
- Denice: We may want to review it. And we may want to put a time frame on returning the cash box. Remind people that we want to close out races as fast as possible.
- Tonya: Do RDs need to review it/know of it?
- Gary: When he has the cash box, he makes sure the bills are right. Wegman's card is kept in the cash box. Who keeps the cash box for shirts? Micki is usually responsible for it. Mike, are you okay if they dump the money with me? Mike: "Yes." Gary gets the money from RDs sometimes and then passes it on to Mike. Any sale other than registration has to be logged separately.

### **Current Events Reports and Business (5:55)**

- Financial Report (Mike Allinger)
  - We are doing well, especially compared to this time last year.
  - We spent a lot more on facility permits last year. What happened last year is we were putting race-facility permits in there.
  - Outside services/advertising and marketing. We've had a lot of website changes so we had a lot of WordPress purchases and some other web stuff so that's why there's an increase there.
- Almost all the races are closed out. The Finger Lakes 50 did better than expected.
  - Fillmore 5k is not completely closed out. We should have another \$803 in revenue, most of it gets donated back.
  - Forest Frolic may not be entirely closed out yet.
  - For Skunk Cabbage the table charges and cleaning charges are still outstanding.
- Volunteers to take minutes: Emily will take them at the September meeting.
- Black Diamond Trail Runs
  - Adam: 15–20 people, went well, people are enjoying it.
- Race Reports
  - Adam: No, they have not all come in yet. We are still waiting for the race reports from Frolic, Fillmore, and the Women's Distance Fest. Not sure of how to encourage RDs to submit more quickly.

### **Vice-President's Reports and Business (6:07)**

#### Trails—Gary

- Forge canceled. Minor snafu as one person who had signed up got their refund but hadn't learned about it being canceled since the RDs didn't email everyone registered about the cancellation.
- Should we come up with a different venue? We'll meet and discuss it at a future date.

#### Roads—Alan

- Fillmore:
  - 90 participants,  $\frac{1}{3}$  were kids, which was neat to see. Mile fun run was popular. Went well, we should keep it on the calendar.
- 5/10 (Gary):
  - Emailed Tammy Tambor (sp?) about registering the event at IHS. He has the registration # but isn't sure what that means.
  - Cleared with the City of Ithaca.
  - Not sure how Bruce is making out with the Turkey Trot.

#### Track—Adam

- July Meet:
  - July meet was a bit of a debacle. Ithaca Youth Bureau brought a bunch of "littles," which made organizing and starting the heats stressful. Volunteers were struggling to corral the youngsters.
  - Tonya: It was great. The youngest runner was 3 years old, there were a number of 5 and 6 year old. 52 competitors under 10 years old.
  - 140–150 participants. 50% larger than last summer so organization is more difficult.
  - Denise: Do we need to change the age range limit? Adam: No. Just need to adapt.
  - Adam: Looking at always running the 100m and 200m because of the increase of younger runners. They'd love to have the long jump, which would require a switch to USATF certification for insurance and we'd need more volunteers.

### Committee Reports & Business (6:22)

#### Membership

- FLRC XC team
  - Tonya: Women are organizing a team and so far the response has been great. They have full teams in the Masters, Vets, and Super Vets divisions. Lots of interest. They have an informal group on Facebook.
  - Denise: We should connect the Women's FLRC XC team to our website.
  - Home meet is at Taughannock this year (Nov. 4).

#### Web—Adam

- Our new developer was on vacation; Adam is going to introduce him to the old developer.
- Pete put up the minutes from previous meetings on our website.

#### Equipment—Gary

- Does anyone want a couple five-gallon coolers? We have 27 and the most we use at a race is 12.
  - Adam moves that the equipment manager (Gary) be allowed to get rid of coolers at his discretion.
    - Seconded by Pete.

- Yes: 10; No: 0
- Selling our generator.
  - Cayuga Triathlon wants to buy our generator and we obviously don't need it as we haven't used it for two years because we don't need it for the clocks anymore.
  - Tonya moves that Gary go ahead selling FLRC's generator to the Cayuga Lake Tri Club for a fair market price.
    - Seconded by Adam.
    - Yes: 10; No: 0
  - We can always borrow the generator back from CLT if we need it.
- Alan asked about the finish line poles.
  - Finish-line system is cumbersome but it is the most common way to set up the finish area.
- Adam requests a dolley for the summer track meets to transport the clock, tables, and chairs from the car out to the track. Gary says he'll loan Adam one for the summer meets.

#### **Good of the Order (6:31)**

- Denice moves to adjourn the meeting. Seconded. Yes: 10; No: 0.