

CVR Meeting Minutes March 20th, 2016

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm - Good Turnout of @25 people

Introduction

- Approved minutes of last meeting (Nov 9, 2015)
- Went around the room and all members introduced themselves

Treasurer's Report (John not at meeting but Bob gave report in his absence)

- Current cash position
- Income/expense fiscal year-to-date
- Post Meeting the following specific details were provided

Apr 1, '15 - Mar 29, 16

Membership Dues	1,556.00	
Clothing sales	131.00	
Meeting Expense	-2,073.90	
Meeting Income	260.00	
Donation	-3,237.17	
Insurance and Dues	-935.20	
Newsletter	-1,919.22	
Paper Statement Fee	-9.00	
Postage and Delivery	-30.98	
Professional Services fees	-179.10	
Race expenses	-5,049.27	
Race expenses	-32,430.62	
Race income	41,119.00	
Rent	-638.00	
Supplies and Materials	-375.71	
Net Income	-3,812.17	
Checking Account Balance	\$3366	(note does not include cd)

Membership Report Donna Smyers

Donna went over the membership numbers and the renewal process. We are now able to renew online if we would like. Allie Nerenberg is taking over Membership. Donna had lists available of those who have renewed or have yet to do so.

There are a total of 144 memberships/families and 96 have already renewed for 2016. If not renewed there will be 48 expiring March 31st.

Race Updates

- Races completed since last club meeting
New Year's Eve 5K -- Ann Bushey and Sean Murphy – Ann was at the meeting and reported the race had a record turnout. She discussed the challenges with the state not allowing collection of \$\$ on state property, which may lead to the race being held in a different location in the future.

- Upcoming Races

Adamant 20 Miler & Relay	Eric Ryea & Donna Smyers	Saturday, May 7, 2016
Mutt Strutt	Brittany Lafirara – Looking for new director	Sunday, May 15, 2016
Barre Town Spring Run	Andrea McLaughlin	Saturday, May 21, 2016
Kids Track Meet	Dot Helling & Sandy Colvin	Friday, June 3, 2016
Capital City Stampede	John Valentine & Shannon Salembier	Saturday, June 11, 2016
Worcester 4 Miler	Roy Belcher	Sunday, June 19, 2016
Paul Mailman 10 Miler	Andy Shuford & Andrea McLaughlin	Sunday, June 26, 2016

Proposed Club Meeting Dates for 2016

The following dates are just a proposal and not set in stone. Let's pencil them in....

- Monday, May 16
- Monday, August 15
- Monday, November 7

Fun Runs:

Unofficial start 3/15; Official start 5/3

Proposed Allocation of ORS Gift Cards to 2016 Race Series Events

Members discussed the allocation and if we should make changes. It was decided to change Paul Mailman and Barre Town. The final allocation is listed below.

Event	
Capital City Stampede	\$ 500
Paul Mailman	400
Bear Swamp	200
Berlin Pond	280
Barre Town	220
First Night	400
Total	\$ 2,000

Youth running programs grants

The members discussed what the club should offer for grants to local youth running programs. Greg mentioned last year, we voted to support up to 10 programs at up to \$250 each. In addition, he handed out a list of the programs we supported last year. Members decided to grant up to \$250.00 each for up to 10 programs. So far only Waterbury and Tunbridge have renewed their requests for grants in 2016.

Other running organizations grants

Last year, we voted to offer \$400 to up to 3 XC programs and Special Olympics. Members voted to give \$400.00 to special Olympics. Members also approved the club spending a maximum of \$1200 on other grants this year, and a maximum of \$400 to any one organization. Which organizations get how much is TBD as the requests come in.

Budget Discussion

Budget Committee Recommendations to the Club. There was a long discussion on the club budget, club mission and philanthropy. With the exception of below notes, members, specifically race directors were reminded that if we hold a race we need to make sure we cover expenses and put some money back in the CVR budget to cover expenses for our equipment. Everyone agreed that we want to donate to charities etc, however we need to make sure the club is solvent and has the funds to maintain our equipment. Each of the items below were discussed with much of the discussion focusing on #2, #4, #5 and #7. After discussion the members agreed to these recommendations from the budget committee.

1. Club Dues will remain the same.
2. The Club newsletter will be published and distributed in electronic format. Upon request, a Club member may receive a print version of the newsletter.
3. The annual banquet will remain free for Club members who volunteered at a Club event during the previous calendar year. The Club will seek and identify a more modestly priced venue for the banquet; modestly priced is defined as \$24 or under per person. This venue will be located in central Vermont around the Barre- Montpelier area.
4. Every Club-sponsored race will budget and allocate to the Club \$2 per registered, paying runner. These funds will be used for race-related and general operating expenses.
5. After meeting all race-related and general operating expenses, the Club may choose to donate money to running, fitness, and sports-related organizations such as Girls on the Run, high school cross-country teams, and Special Olympics if sufficient funds remain in the Club treasury. For fiscal year 2016 – 2017 (beginning April, 2016), donations will remain approximately the same as the previous fiscal year. Beginning fiscal year 2017 – 2018, decisions regarding these donations will be made at the Club's annual meeting based on and using funds remaining in the treasury.
6. Four club races – the Adamant 20-miler, the Mutt Strut, the Fallen Leaves series, and the Barre Town Spring Run – were organized specifically to raise funds for designated organizations. These races will meet the requirements of #4 but donations will not be subject to the procedures detailed in #5.
7. Roger and the Leaf Peepers Race Committee have drafted a budget plan for the 2016 race. The plan uses the 2015 runner numbers as the “new normal:” 650 in the Half, 425 in the 5K. Fees remain the same. The tee shirt is optional at an extra \$5. Certain expenses are cut: fewer portolets, no tent, mailings to Waterbury residents replaced by FPF notifications, less food and water. This budget plan results in a projected net allocation to the Club, after all expenses and contributions, of \$7,247, well above the mandated \$6,000.

Election of Officers

Nominating Committee Slate:

- President: Donna Smyers

- Vice President: Shannon Salembier
- Secretary: Sandy Colvin
- Treasurer: John Valentine
- At-Large Executive Committee: Daragh Ellerson and Beth Daut

No Nominations from the floor

The members voted all those nominated

Appointed positions:

- Webmaster: John Hackney
- Publicity/Facebook: Dylan Broderick
- Newsletter Editor: Bob Howe
- Membership Coordinator: Allie Nerenberg
- ORS Series Standings Manager: Jim Flint
- Publicity and Facebook: Dylan Broderick
- Mailing List Coordinator – Greg Wight (taking over from Donna)