

Central Vermont Runners – Club Meeting Minutes April 11, 2021

In attendance: 20+/- in attendance
Meeting began 5:10pm

Manny welcomed everyone.

Membership – Graham reported membership drive went well. Reminder to everyone to renew if you haven't already. 292 members right now, which is similar to this time in previous years with the exception of last year. Still considering e-card but will continue to do it the same today. Discussed idea of extending membership drive. Sal joined the meeting and indicated there are still mugs left over, so yes, we could extend it. There was a motion to authorize the executive committee ability to approve spending club funds to help increase membership. Motion Passed.

Election of Officers - No new officers this year. The election is to keep the same slate of officers currently in place. Opened the floor for more nominations and there were none. Motion to approve the slate of officers. Motion Approved.

Treasurers Report

\$8000 in Checking and \$6000 in CD. John went over the positive flows to CVR which includes membership and some money from races. He also discussed the money CVR has sent out to Food Bank, Suffrage Scramble, Cross Country Teams, Insurance, Rent and Supplies. Treasury is in good standing.

Upcoming Race Schedule

Two races soon, Paul Mailman and Adamant. Andy reported there are 47 signed up for the Paul Mailman race. He needs volunteers. Contact Andy if you are able to volunteer. Otherwise he feels ready.

Adamant has about 21 signed up so far.

Discussed water stops and feeling o.k. with filling cups but put them out on table for the runner to take, so the club stays within the social distance guidelines.

Discussed and agreed to cancel Barre Town, but agreed if we decide it can be done, maybe we hold another race similar during the summer. Have to see what guidelines are around an event with kids.

Montpelier Mile – Cancelled

Heritage Festival still on

Groton still on

Leaf Peepers still on

Winter Long Runs

There have been 12 different runs in 11 different locations.

31 runners have joined

Sal gets the Gold Star with many runners up.
Thanks to Donna for helping to organize the Winter Long Runs

Grants

There are 4 total:

Paine Mountain Middle School

The Hooty Hooters running club for Northfield and Roxbury Elementary Schools

The NES after school program

Craftsbury track club

\$250.00 each for a total of \$1000.00

Motion to approve. Motion Approved.

Fun Run Start

While some are out running already, the official Fun Run start is on Monday May 4th.
Darragh will try and get out to time everyone. Tuesdays at 5:30 on the bike patch behind the Department of Labor Building on Green Mountain Drive.

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Future Meetings

The date wasn't confirmed but discussion about the next few meetings would be in late May/early June and then August and November

For the meeting in May/June, would like to try and have it outdoors in person, maybe at Hubbard Park or other location. To be determined.

Other Business

Trail Runs – Seems to be a lot of interest. Discussed continuing what was done with Winter Long Runs, but with Trail Runs. A host advertises a run and then others can sign up to join the run. This could expose those who haven't run on trails before to trail running. Everyone agreed we should pursue this. Next steps are for Jacque to find the weekend dates where there aren't other events already scheduled. She will then reach out to those who have offered to host and put together a schedule. Next they will all work with Manny to get the word out in CVR weekly news as well as newsletters, Facebook page etc.

Sal discussed the idea of a CVR 50k trail run and got a couple people to work with him on putting this together.

Clothing

Seems to be interest in getting more CVR logo items, shirts, mugs etc. Richarda wasn't at the meeting to discuss, but other ideas were brought up. Sal suggests working with Bevins and Sons / Yipes to bring in your favorite item to have the CVR logo embroidered. Also discussed ideas for prizes at races a CVR logo item as a prize.

Next was whether or not the club wants to change the logo.

A sub committee was formed to review the logo and consider branding for the club. IN addition, Manny will reach out to Richarda to see if she can update him on what was

done before and if we can do it again, what the options are for what is ordered, is it only clothes or do they have hats , mugs, glasses etc. Can she organize this?

Equipment

Discussed buying a new TIME machine and blue tooth software tools to make sure the club has the timing equipment needed for now and the future. Right now, only have one set and if that breaks down, we would be forced to go back to manual. This equipment is going to make timing much easier and more efficient which the club needs, especially if we are going to be doing wave starts and other socially distanced races.

Motion to approve spending around \$1500.00 - \$2,000.00 on this equipment. Motion Approved.

Motion to end the meeting, Motion Approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30pm