

HARRC Board Meeting Minutes 14 December 2011

The December Board Meeting was held at Brad Colwell's home and was called to order by President Brad Colwell at 7:03 PM. Board Officers present were President Brad Colwell, VP Jim Collins, Treasurer Gary Grobman, Secretary Nikki Bell, and Board Members Walt Greene, Jim Vorhauer, and Tadd Morris, Publicity Coordinator Doug Dietrich, and HARRC member Brad Garfinkel.

Prior Meeting Minutes:

Minutes from the 9 November Board Meeting were posted on HARRC's web site. There being no changes, the minutes were accepted on a motion by Collins, seconded by Greene and approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Gary Grobman reported the bank balance is currently \$12,551.41. Grobman noted that treasury activity has been minimal in December. The Treasurer's Report was accepted on a motion by Collins, seconded by Greene and approved.

Membership Report:

Walt Greene reported that the current household membership is 189, with 233 individual members. HARRC membership continues to increase, growing by 35% since January 2011. Greene suggested that the PDF for the HARRC membership application be more prominent on the website.

The Membership Report was accepted on a motion by Vorhauer, seconded by Collins and approved.

General:

Brad Colwell noted that HARRC member Park Barner's picture was featured in the Patriot news in an article about the Harrisburg Marathon last month.

Brad Colwell also reported that J.R. Bishop has resigned as a HARRC Board member and will not be replaced at this time.

Walt Greene reported that it is time to renew with the RRCA. It will be \$1,044 this year due to the expansion in membership households. The HARRC Board supports continuing the RRCA membership in order to insure the HARRC-sponsored race events.

OLD BUSINESS

HARRC Apparel:

J.R. Bishop will send Walt Greene a check for \$156 from selling the extra HARRC shirts that were ordered with the regular orders last month. All of the extra shirts have been sold.

Harrisburg Marathon Book:

Hap Miller's offer to HARRC to produce and make profits from the sales of the book stands. Brad Colwell reported the copyright waivers from the Patriot News are in place. Miller promoted the book at the Pre-Registration Packet Pick-up on the Saturday prior to the marathon. There are over 40 orders for the book so far and HARRC plans to move forward on printing the book in the spring of 2012. HARRC supports Grobman in providing additional assistance in the editing/publishing process, as long as Grobman agrees to do it.

Newsletter:

The Spring 2012 edition of the HARRC newsletter will cover March, April, and May. The deadline for articles will be January 31, 2012 and should be sent to J.R. Bishop.

Publicity:

Doug Dietrich reported some publicity ideas he wants to explore further for HARRC. Dietrich has connected with Wink 104's Denny Logan to promote HARRC events on his radio show. Dietrich also suggested HARRC consider starting Sunday Runs at local health clubs and running shoe stores and/or planning a Sunday Run at Ft. Indiantown Gap. Greene suggested Dietrich reach out to the Governor's Office to get involved in the fitness initiatives at the Capitol Complex.

OLD BUSINESS (cont.'d)

Web Content:

Brad Colwell noted that Troy and Sheri Karan are the current HARRC web content administrators. Colwell is going to search for a third administrator for the website as a backup.

HARRC After Dark 7K:

Brad Colwell said that there are 9 shirts left from the race that will be sold for \$3 each or 2 for \$5. The second annual HARRC After Dark 7K will take place on August 17, 2012. Colwell is currently looking for sponsors.

HARRC Awards:

Jerod Girton has used the 15 fastest HARRC runs and the 5 fastest non-club runs to calculate points according to an age-graded scale. At this time, Frank Crupi and Mike Cover are in the lead for the Male Runner of the Year award and Marge Lebo and Shelly Perry are the top two for the Female Runner of the Year.

Brad Colwell reminded the Board that we need to select members for the Dedicated Runners of the Year (male and female) and a HARRC Member of the Year. Colwell suggested asking HARRC members for nominations and then Bell will create a poll to select the winner from the nominated members for each award.

Coffee, Cocoa, and Carbs 5K:

Brad Colwell reported that Marge Lebo directed a prediction run at Wildwood on November 26th and it was a success. Lebo collected \$225 for the Cumberland County Domestic Violence Services. Colwell received a thank you letter from the charity.

Dick Beardsley:

Brad Colwell reminded the Board that Dick Beardsley will be speaking at Hershey Medical Center on February 10, 2012. Marge Lebo is helping George Henning plan an informal race at Hershey on Saturday, February 11, 2012. The proceeds from the race will go to the Dick Beardsley Foundation. Colwell will email the HARRC mailing list with more

details about Beardsley, the speaking engagement, and the race.

NEW BUSINESS

Banquet Coordinator:

Brad Colwell said that HARRC needs a Banquet Coordinator to begin planning for the annual HARRC Banquet in March 2012. Colwell will send out an email requesting a volunteer.

HARRC 3-Year Membership:

HARRC will begin to offer members a 3-year membership at a cost of \$30 for an individual on a motion by Brad Colwell, seconded by Morris, and approved.

HARRC Officer Slate for 2012:

Brad Colwell said that the officers for 2012 will be elected during the January HARRC board meeting. Colwell, Collins, and Bell have all volunteered to run for a second term as the President, Vice President, and Secretary respectively. Grobman has decided to step down. The officers and board really appreciate the service provided by Grobman over the years. HARRC member Brad Garfinkel will run for Treasurer in January.

NEXT MEETING & ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Greene made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Collins. The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 PM. The next four meetings will be at 7 PM on 18 January 2012, 29 February 2012, 11 April 2012 and 23 May 2012 at Brad Colwell's home.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicolette Bell,
Secretary