

ZOOMERS SOUTHWEST FLORIDA RUNNING & TRIATHLON CLUB

MEETING MINUTES – May 6th, 2020

Zoom online meeting called to order at 6:10 P.M. Quorum present. In attendance: Chris Fleeman, Sherry LaBree, Karin Jacobs, Steve Holmes, Stacy Holmes. Zoomers former President Pat Vasquez and former Membership Director Lori Vasquez also present.

OFFICER REPORTS

PRESIDENT’S REPORT: Chris Fleeman

Club communications are the priority right now. Zoomers Virtual Run coming along nicely, Steve and Stacey’s posts on Facebook are definitely promoting, and small giveaways are encouraging people to sign up too. Looking forward we have Gail’s Persevere 5k Virtual Run, as well as a second cycling event from Beach Bum Timing, with donations possibly going to a different animal shelter.

VICE PRESIDENT: Steve Holmes

Steve received exactly three applications for the three Zoomers scholarships that were available: Chloe Lear, Brecken Yingling, and Sebastian Holmes. Steve made a motion to approve the three applicants, Karin seconded motion, motion passed. Steve will get in touch with Karen Haynes of Suncoast to make arrangements for presentation of scholarships to the recipients.

SECRETARY REPORT: Karin Jacobs

April minutes reviewed and approved by the board.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Sherry LaBree

Sherry submitted the financial report. Profits have increased, mainly due to money coming in for Zoomers Virtual 5k.

MEMBERSHIP AND MARKETING REPORT: Bill Mullis (absent)

Membership renewals went up noticeably after sign ups opened for Zoomers Run United Virtual 5k. Chris finalizing two new sponsors: Outrival Training and Longevity Wellness. Also The Bicycle Center of Port Charlotte became a sponsor, thanks to Lori and Pat Vasquez.

Discussed renewal format for Zoomers membership, Steve made a motion to call for auto-renewal for yearly memberships, Sherry seconded motion, motion passed.

WEB DIRECTOR’S UPDATE: John Libonati (absent)

COMMITTEE REPORTS: (very little to report due to covid-19 cancellations of races)

2019/2020 Kids Race Series: – Bobby Wrenn (absent)

Adult Race Series: - Kevin Jones - (Absent) Changes will most likely be necessary due to cancelled races, to be addressed in the future.

Tri Series- Pat Vasquez

Reported Haines City 70.3 delayed until December 13, Port Charlotte Tri cancelled. Upcoming Heartland and Naples reverse unknown, Gulf Coast 70.3 moved to November, on the same day/location as full Ironman.

Board voted to add Beach Bum Timing's Helping Hands Virtual 5k to the race series, along with Run 941's Covid Challenge Virtual race, and Zoomers Running United Virtual 5k.

Race Coordinator: Heather Lukacek (absent)

Special Events/Race Director: Stacey Holmes

Currently at 95 signups for Zoomers Run United Virtual 5k. Steve to do one more Facebook push to garner a few more entries, with drawings for free race entries from Tracy Hussey, Karen Haynes, and Joel Dlugosinski. We will have the final numbers for t-shirt order on 5/15, medals also being finalized. Packet pickup days to be decided.

Trick-or-trot: Stacey and Lori Vasquez will begin planning together; sign-up will be live 6/1/2020. Title sponsor is needed-will talk with Micah Smith, or possibly Foot and Ankle Centers of Charlotte County.

Discussed idea for upcoming event: Zoomers Cycling Scavenger Hunt. Stacey will start brainstorming, looking at mid-June. Steve made a motion to move forward with the event, Karin seconded motion, motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Zoomers fun runs- Due to Covid-19, the board discussed that we should still be sticking to social distancing rules of Phase I, and not advertise them until we move into the other phases of re-opening.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chris proposed possibly naming the Zoomers scholarship after the late Gail Rau Marinari. After discussion amongst the board, it was decided that her memory would be better served by holding a mock-triathlon in her name, later this summer, raising money to donate to next year's scholarship fund. August is being looked at as a potential date. Will revisit this idea at a future meeting.

Meeting closed by Chris @ 7:39 P.M.

