

## ZOOMERS SOUTHWEST FLORIDA RUNNING & TRIATHLON CLUB

### MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 2, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:37 p.m. Quorum present. In attendance: Pat Vasquez, Lori Vasquez, Karin Jacobs, Chris Fleeman, and Becky Krueger. Zoomers members Jack LaPlante and guest speaker Megan Guarente also in attendance.

#### **OFFICER REPORTS**

##### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Pat Vasquez

Pat opened the meeting by welcoming everyone present. Pat reported that the turn out of Remember the Fallen, Venice Triathlon, and Captiva Triathlon all had good turnouts by Zoomers members and volunteers. Pat also discussed the board positions that will be coming available, and Chris will be posting/emailing to all Zoomers members regarding this.

##### **GUEST SPEAKER:** Megan Guarente

Megan is a teacher at Punta Gorda Middle School. She has been working with a group of about 20 kids and organized an after school running program for them. Most of these kids are from lower-income families, and cannot afford water bottles, proper running shoes, or team T-shirts. She is asking if Zoomers would be willing to help her group in any way possible. Pat said we would definitely be interested in helping out, but our primary concern is to first be sure that the Trick or Trot race is properly funded. Board agreed to revisit and decide on the amount or type of donation after the financial close of Trick or Trot. Lori is going to check with our T-shirt vendor to get price with a Zoomers and PGMS logo. The board also discussed other ways Megan could get general donations, by posting on Zoomers page, asking for extra water bottles that members may have in the back of their cupboards that are forgotten. Also gently used running shoes. She will get a list of sizes needed. Board will revisit this subject in November to make a decision.

##### **VICE PRESIDENT/RACE COORDINATOR:** Chris Fleeman

Chris advised that volunteers will be needed for the upcoming Habitat for Humanity Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving in November, and the Frosty 5k in December

##### **SECRETARY REPORT:** Karin Jacobs

September minutes approved and will be posted on Zoomers website.

October newsletter to be emailed to members by Tina Elkins.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Becky Krueger

Becky submitted the September 30th, 2019 Treasurer's Report with a beginning balance of \$35,096.19, and an ending balance of \$37,193.59. Expenditures were \$1,367.44, and revenue was \$3,464.84. Net revenue is \$2,097.40.

**MEMBERSHIP AND MARKETING REPORT:** Lori Vasquez

Lori reported we had 710 members as of September 30; 411 household, 164 individual, 16 kids, and 119 business sponsors. We had one new sponsor and 17 new members. We still need sponsors for the Trick or Trot race, sponsorship levels are \$150, \$250, and \$500. The Asics singlets are on order, the new retail cost for them is \$22.00.

Trick or Trot: Currently we have 200 runners signed up for 5k, and 34 for the Beer Mile. \$5,000.00 has been received so far in sponsorship dollars. Volunteers are still needed for the race, Suncoast Humane Society is providing some volunteers also. The race T-shirts have been finalized, and it was decided that only sponsors that donated cash for this race will be on the back of the shirts.

**WEB DIRECTOR'S UPDATE:** John Libonati (absent)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

2019 KIDS RACE SERIES: – Bobbi Wrenn (not present)

**SPECIAL EVENTS – STACY HOLMES**

Stacy reported that the Poker Run was a great success, many Zoomers signed up for the Trick or Trot at her event. She is also working on details for a Zoomers Ragnar sign-up event, possibly having a mini-relay race to encourage members to sign up. Also discussed: coming up with possible new location and theme ideas for Zoomers Banquet in January.

Turkey Raffle in November was discussed and will be posted on Facebook. Stacy will contact Connie Collins and Christine Lowe to see if they will be able to assist in the event again this year.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Pat brought to the board's attention again that Jessica Oldfather will not be returning as Race Director of Trick or Trot next year, and for all of us to be thinking and asking people to take her place for 2020.

**NEW BUSINESS:** none brought up.

Pat closed the meeting at 7.35 P.M.

Next meeting will take place on November 6th, 2019.