

Minutes of January 19, 2010 HRH meeting

President, Chris Franklin called the meeting to order at 7:18.

Members present:

Beverly Atkinson, Steve Brookman, Susan Brookman, Jim Crossin, Kathy Crossin, Chris Franklin, Joe Galiato, Kim Haris, Jim Hopta, Wes Knowles, Bruce Marshall (via conference call), Doug Masi, Carolyn McCann, Holly McDonald, Stephen McKenzie, Andy O'Hearn, Andrew Paton, Ken Sanchez, Colin Saville, Dennis Schmatz, Frederick Slapa.

REGULAR REVIEW ITEMS

1. Minutes from 1/13/2009 were approved with one amendment to the treasurers report.
2. Treasurers Report- B. Atkinson stated that current assets totaled \$3371.84 for year ending 12/31/2009 compared to \$1655.86 for the year ending 12/31/2008. Details of income and expenses can be requested by emailing the treasurer at Treasurer@HRHNJ.org. Report was approved.
3. John Fischer bench fund was tallied separately. Remaining funds will be used to landscape and maintain the bench.
4. Dues- will remain at \$20 per individual/ \$30 per family
5. RRCA & USATF- RRCA provides insurance for the board members. Beverly is currently the contact person, wanted another person to take on that role.
6. Website/Forum- discussion of changes that would enhance use.
 - a. provide a link to a maps website where the destination is completed with an address for the start of run.
 - b. members should inform Bruce of races that they plan to run so that he can find the results more easily, and also to post them on the club calendar.
 - c. Forum- need to dispel myth that the forum is a "chat room". It is best described as a "bulletin board". Also noted that one can send a personal email to a person registered in the forum. Encourage use.

OLD BUSINESS

7. By-law review- change to read "board is to meet annually or as needed".
8. Charitable runs/events- discussion of HRH donating more.
 - a. In 2009, \$125 out of potential \$250 was donated. Decision to carryover remaining \$125 in addition to \$250 allocated for 2010 for a total of \$375 for 2010.
 - b. club will donate \$25 per HRH runner per event until cap of \$375 is met.
 - c. Criteria for club donations and a running total of money raised for charity will be posted on website.

9. Club Apparel – Sneakers Plus requires a minimum of 12 items per order. No orders were placed in 2009. Suggested to order twice per year, club could purchase a few items to fill out order. Post list of available items on website.

10. Club Banner- Dennis generously donated new banner to the club. Thanks Dennis!

11. Membership

a. Dues were collected.

b. New Member Welcome letters- to be sent out by secretary once informed by treasurer that payment for dues has been received.

NEW BUSINESS

12. Club directory and communications- began discussion of sending mass emails while maintaining privacy of members. Susan moved that board decide matter at the officers meeting.

13. HRH PO box- still at Three Bridges PO. Dennis gets mail and wants to leave it there.

14. Scheduled runs/locations and times- Saturday runs to remain 7:30 at Bundt park during daylight savings time and 8:00 at Echo Hill the rest of the year. Sunday runs are based on “what is going on” and “who can be there”. Webmaster, Steve Brookman likes to have the schedule one month in advance.

15. Team events- R2C applications were sent to former team captains. Teams will be made by inviting former team members first and then filling in with others who are interested.

16. Clinton Country Run- 4/24/2010

a. 2009- HRH provided water table and the “sweep runner”.

b. Race director, John Lertola would like HRH to “phase in” to managing the entire race.

c. Discussion ensued. Bruce Marshall was adamantly opposed. Kathy Crossin suggested getting a detailed “to do” list to study. Jim Crossin and Steve Brookman spoke of the time and commitment needed to manage a race. The general consensus leaned toward helping with the race but not managing it.

17. 2010 Social events- Kim Haris, social director plans to schedule one social event per month. Events are listed on HRH website.

18. Shoe Donation- Carolyn McCann described the “Nike Shoe Drop”. Unusable shoes are ground and recycled. Usable shoes are sent to Paraguay.

19. Board of Directors elections:

President- Dennis Schmatz

Past President- Bruce Marshall

Vice President- Chris Franklin

Treasurer- Beverly Atkinson

Secretary- Holly McDonald

Social Director- Kim Haris

20. Open floor

Thanks to Wes Knowles for use of his office for the meeting.

Take advantage of club discounts when purchasing running apparel.