

Prince George's County Running Club

Board Meeting Minutes: November 8, 2017

Time: 7:06pm

Location: Prince George's Plaza Community Center

Board Members Present:

Cindy Cohen

Rebecca Cormney

Yvonne Hill

Lisa Jordan

Ndegwa Kamau

Fai Nelson-Peyton

Chris Nichols

Joann Tschiffley

Kaya Walton

Absent Board Members: Maria Green, Markeshia Gould, Mark Shroder, James Roberts, and Tina Nixon

Quorum present? Yes

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order by President, Ndegwa Kamau

Agenda Items:

- 1: Agenda review, welcome to the new board
2. Upcoming Races
3. Other board matters/reports
4. Upcoming Events
5. Evaluation, review and appreciations

1. Agenda review, welcome to the new board

Welcomed the new board members

President asked the board and the board approved having teleconference board meetings.

President opened a brainstorming discussion about growing the club's membership and raising the club's publicity. Several board members offered ideas about growing membership and promotion. Cindy Cohen, at-large board member and Yvonne Hill, vice president stated that they would explore designing a club member survey to solicit members feedback about the club. Other members shared ideas about how to raise publicity of club races across various communities in Prince George's County.

Due to time, the president tabled several of his agenda items, couponing/prizes; race timing; and club fees for the next board meeting.

It was suggested to set aside a future board meeting to continue discussions about raising the club's publicity, growing membership, and other strategic planning initiatives.

2. Upcoming Races

Rebecca Cormeny, race director reported out on that the Wright Stuff race registration was less than 35 participants as of the date of the board meeting. Several board members stated they would promote the race via neighborhood listservs in Hyattsville, Mt. Rainier, and Berywn Heights. Yvonne offered to reach out to local radio station; and Cindy would contact a regional race calendar publication to get the race listed on the calendar.

3. Other Board Matters/Reports

The board approved to reimburse Ginny, a club member up to \$200 for hosting the annual holiday run on December 14, 2017.

The renewal of the club's membership to the National Road Runners Club of America is due. Ndegwa will coordinate with Joann, membership coordinator and Mark Shroder, Treasurer to complete the renewal application.

The NRRCA national convention will be in Washington, DC area in April 2018. Several members expressed interest in volunteering at different days and times at the convention. The board discussed sending board members to the convention, but there wasn't any decision made about who will attend.

Yvonne and Ndegwa will coordinate the calendar of club events for 2018. Ndegwa will email board members and committee chairs about events and activities for the 2018 calendar.

Chris Nichols, volunteer coordinator will collaborate with Maria Green, training coordinator to establish and schedule an informal marathon training during the 2017/18 season.

During the 2017/18 season, Joann stated she will start a trail run, like the varied weekly club runs.

4. Upcoming Events

Annual Holiday run at Ginny's on December 14, 2017

Appreciation and celebration luncheon for the half-marathon training participants on December 2, 2017.

Club Challenge event in February 2018 is approaching. The board approved to pay for club members' registration to the race.

Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

Minutes submitted by Lisa M. Jordan