

Baltimore Road Runners Club

Member and Board Meeting

Recorded by Joe Musumeci

Monday, March 18, 2019

Geiger Pump and Equipment

8924 Yellow Brick Rd, Rosedale

6:30/7 PM

Board Meeting Attendees	
President	that's why we're here ...
Vice President	Valencia Hike
Treasurer	Christy St. Clair
Secretary	Joe Musumeci
Delegates	
Bart Rein	Dan Hawk
Hazel Teal	Kelli Rostkowski
Scott Finson	
Members	
	Henry Peck

Meeting started at 6:46 p.m.

Current Business

1. Recent events
 - a. 3/15/19 - St. Patrick's Day 5K - Graham
 - i. Similar number of runners as last year
2. Team store - opening today through March 28
 - a. Problems with prior vendor
 - b. Using retro logo
3. Transition - Valencia
 - a. Johnny resigned as president as of the end of the month
 - b. Johnny wants to continue to handle the behind-the-scenes work
 - c. Valencia is happy to step up
 - d. Valencia reached out to Henry to serve as vice president
 - e. Johnny said he would write something up related to his resignation to share with membership
 - f. Anticipated meeting locations - some at Henry's office, some at Bart's office in Towson (RCM&D building at Joppa and Fairmount)
4. Treasurer's report
 - a. Cash of \$165K at 3/18/19 (\$164K at 2/28/18)
5. WDF training - Valencia
 - a. Ginnie stepped down as lead coach
 - b. Valencia reached out to Robin to express support
 - c. Valencia reached out to Deb Harper to serve as lead coach; Deb accepted
 - d. Looking at seven weeks of training on T/R at Lake Montebello; taking care to not conflict with Robin's program
6. Facebook - need for posts to be approved - Valencia
 - a. Suggestion that all posts should be approved by admins
 - i. Admins and moderators who can approve posts include Bart, Valencia, Henry, Johnny, Graham
 - ii. Approval timing expected to be under a day

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- b. Recent post by a member about another member owing money - taken down by admins quickly
- c. Other unwanted activity includes posting of other races and counter-bashing of posted races
- d. Recent misleading post by a member about air quality on the day of a club race - removed then member displeased that posts required approval
- e. Bart notes that other area clubs either don't allow posting or only allow posting after approval
- f. Christy would like to develop a policy for how we handle our Facebook page to outline what types of posts are permissible and what posts will not be approved - to be available on our web site
- g. Hazel liked the idea that certain approved members can be exempted from needing approval
- h. Board agreed to adjust to require approvals for Facebook posts
 - i. Will re-evaluate the change after seeing how it goes
- 7. Goucher College Landmark meet - March 23 - Christy
 - a. Looking for more at least one more volunteer from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 - b. Helping with triple jump and long jump
 - c. Will also be seeking volunteers for May 4 and 5 event at Goucher
 - d. Christy will send a follow-up request in April regarding the May dates
- 8. Holabird proposal - Buddy (via Valencia)
 - a. Buddy contacted Holabird Sports running group to have a table with a BRRC flag at one of their runs
 - b. Weekly weeknight fun runs at rotating locations with vendor visitors; incentives for repeat visitors (shirts, gift cards); party at the end of the season
 - c. Vendors make presentations and some offer giveaways
 - d. Hazel is interested to learn how many people would be involved to gauge possible exposure; points out that timely benefit would be if we're promoting a particular event (as opposed to general appeals for membership)
 - e. Bart wonders if Buddy will be attending to represent BRRC or if he's seeking others to attend; Valencia said it would be both
 - f. Board agrees to try this in the future when we have a race to promote including providing Buddy with a BRRC flag and anything else he needs
- 9. Valencia's priorities moving forward
 - a. Team store
 - b. Group runs (like Halloween, Christmas this past year) - opportunities for more casual runners to participate who might not be quite ready to join the club - looking to host group runs once a month
 - i. Henry suggests Cinco de Mayo in Highlandtown - looking at Thursday, May 2
 - ii. Valencia suggests plogging - running while collecting trash
 - iii. Christy suggests something with Talmar gardens
 - iv. Valencia would appreciate all board members bringing suggestions to the next meeting for unique locations around the area with a focus on increasing inclusivity
 - c. Recent article about Baltimore not running in certain areas - group runs can be a way to address areas that currently see less running events - make decisions each month at

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- d. Regular track and Loch Raven runs open to all (not just members)
 - i. Bart suggests coordinating timing and locations with existing training programs but open to all
- 10. New business
 - a. Hazel asks for suggestions for where people complete their runs to use for Hopewell's virtual 5K this year (with afterparty scheduled for Hopewell's location)
 - b. Scott notes that online repository is ready to accommodate race reports
- 11. Next meeting - May 6, 6:30 p.m. to eat, 7 p.m. to meet, likely at Bart's office in Towson with location and directions to be confirmed

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.