

Baltimore Road Runners Club

Member and Board Meeting via Zoom

Recorded by Ann Fraker
Monday, January 10, 2022
6:30 pm

Board Meeting Attendees	
President	Bart Rein
Vice President	Dan Farrell
Treasurer	Joe Musumeci
Secretary	Ann Fraker
Delegates	
David Goldberg	Pete Mulligan
Dan Hawk	Henry Peck
Valencia Hike	Hazel Teal
Absent: Mechelle Barrick,	
Members	

Meeting started at 6:34 pm

Current Business

1. Welcome and Wellness Check-In
2. Minutes approved from 12/06/21 meeting
3. Treasurer's Report, Joe
 - a. Expecting \$6000 from scholarships
 - i. One (\$3000) will be re-issued from last year
 - ii. The other will be issued once we receive student ID for verification
 - b. A larger expense is RRCA membership because we paid for 2 years
4. Use Agreement
 - a. Frozen Finger race is not in the use agreement we have with GFSP but will be added for next year
 - b. Permit for Frozen Finger needs to come from park headquarters at Jerusalem Mill
5. Engagement with other clubs and groups
 - a. Many smaller running groups in area to compete with potential BRRRC training runs
 - b. Pete and Valencia confirm that there are many groups (Tribe Called Run, Falls Road Running group, Riot, Pacemakers, Faster Bastards, November Project, Trail Snails)
 - c. Alan Hirsch volunteered to help with communication
 - i. We would like to alert these running groups about BRRRC's many low-key races on both roads and trails to increase participation and membership
 - ii. Bart will ask Alan about coordinating a newsletter
6. Club Challenge
 - a. Registration is open
 - b. Dan Farrell is captain for the challenge
 - c. Members will need to pay \$30 for entry fee; club is covering \$10
 - i. Entry fee has increased to \$40 and will be \$50 beginning in 2023
 - ii. Options for running clubs are: pay 25%, 50%, 75% or 100% and runners will cover the difference
 - d. No-shows are always an issue; clubs need to know by Tuesday before race to avoid a charge
 - e. Henry feels we should cover more of the cost
 - i. Most clubs are paying \$20 (50% of total) per runner
 - f. During our meeting, Bart e-mailed the RD and he responded:

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- i. 25% of clubs are paying 25% of cost
 - ii. 25% of clubs are paying 50%
 - iii. 25% are paying 75%
 - iv. 12.5% are paying 100%
 - v. 12.5% are paying 0%
 - g. The board voted and decided that the club should cover 75% of the race fee
 - i. Goodwill gesture on part of BRRRC
 - ii. Should increase membership
 - iii. Asking club members to pay a small portion of the fee (i.e., 'skin in the game') should help decrease no-shows
 - h. Pete suggested that we ask Howard County Striders to provide a breakdown of expenses after the race so we can understand why the cost has increased from \$10 to \$40 (and \$50 in 2023) per runner
- 7. Annual Meeting Update
 - a. Determine a date for late February or early March
 - i. Board determined that Wednesday, Feb. 23 is a good date
 - ii. Bart followed-up with an email to the board that he will be out of town on Feb. 23 and proposed Feb. 16 instead
 - b. Need to set up Zoom annual meeting, similar to last year
 - i. Need to avoid Zoom-bombing
 - ii. Instead of posting on Facebook, will send email to club membership
 - iii. Valencia states that BRRRC has its own Zoom account
 - iv. We should be able to pay for a one-time large meeting via Zoom, as we did in 2021
 - c. Nominating committee needs to be established
 - i. We have one member so far, Brian Flowers
 - ii. Responsibilities include making recommendations for open positions and recruiting potential candidates
 - iii. Hazel Teal volunteered to serve on the nominating committee
 - d. Firm up Hall of Fame
 - e. We will likely give out recognition awards at the annual meeting
 - i. We have time to determine additional awards

New Business and Agenda Items for next meeting

1. Next monthly board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 9 at 6:30 pm via Zoom with Annual Meeting tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 16 (time TBD), also via Zoom
2. We have not heard back from The Driven about our membership contract
 - a. We decided that there is need to pursue this issue any further

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm