

**Rochester Track Club Board of Directors Meeting
August 14, 2008**

Members present: Lin Gentling, Kit Hawkins, Laura Lenz, Larry Pederson, KC Reed, Renee Saxman, Mike Schmitt, Dave Sletten, Kevin Torgerson
Absent: Tom O'Leary, Jean Murray

1. Upcoming Race Updates:

- a. Mayo Cross Country Open, Sept. 11, Steve DeBoer: Location to be determined. Will probably be Eastwood, waiting for approval from Park Board. Larry will call Park Board member.
- b. In Yan Teopa, Sept. 27, Larry Pederson (the one with a beard). Everything is in order.
- c. Rochester Half, August 23, KC Reed. 400 applications so far. Thinking about a fee increase. KC would like to get a committee to work on this event- we'll advertise in the newsletter. Has 4 more Gatorade jugs.
- d. Lace Up for Leaders, August 16, Dave Sletten. Will probably be last year for the event.

2. Approve Agenda:

Dave amended the agenda to include discussion of data entry and the KLM Cross Country race. Lin made a motion to approve the agenda, Kit seconded, motion passed.

3. Approve Meeting Minutes from July:

Kit made a motion to approve the minutes from July. Mike seconded. Motion passed.

4. Finance Update:

Jean sent the update. High Monkey is now paid off. Dave to make purchase of license, which was previously approved.

5. Membership Update:

Larry reported the numbers are staying about the same- 320-330.

6. Old Business

- a. Website Update: Dave will write up and send us instructions about how to do a mass e-mail to RTC members. We discussed using this just for things like brief news announcements, reminders about races.
- b. Youth Grand Prix Series: Dave Sletten. Board should keep thinking about how to handle this for 2009 and how to keep the costs low for families. One suggestion was to make the mile at each All Comer's Meet an event each week.
- c. Mascot Update, Renee Saxman. Discussed options for how to fund this. Decided for now to pursue individual donations to raise the money. Renee is going to draft a letter and board can come up with a list of people to send it out to.

- d. Equipment Rental Agreement: Tabled until Sept. meeting.
- e. Run at Work Day, Sept. 19, Mike Schmitt: Mike has organized event at IBM, "I move at work day". He has 3 routes mapped, 2 1-mile routes and 1 1.6-mile route for employees to run/walk. Will also have a raffle. Any other work sites organizing events can post on the RTC website to advertise.

7. New Business

- a. 2009 Picnic Discussion: Picnic is Thursday, August 21. Not many RSVP's at board meeting time. Board members will remind others about it and encourage RSVP's to Dave.
- b. Stair Climb, Larry Pederson. Looking for a date to do this during Winterfest Decided on the morning of Saturday, Feb. 14. To note: Frozen Goose is Feb. 7 and Lace Up Against Breast Cancer is Feb. 15. The Polar Plunge is Feb. 14 in the afternoon; Kevin and KC didn't see any conflict with this.
- c. Banquet, 2009. Discussed options for speakers. Since the meeting, Renee has arranged for Ed Creagan to speak: "Managing Stress in the 21st Century"
- d. Sept. Board Meeting: We will start at 7 PM due to the Cross Country Race.
- e. Shed Key policy: Decided that only board members will have a key.
- f. Old Clock: Discussion of what to do with it. KC to contact Bill Baker In Winona to see if he can fix it.
- g. Data Entry: Need volunteers to help with this. Need to enter Grand Prix info. and old race records. Renee volunteered to do some of it. We should keep looking for someone to volunteer for this.
- h. Kevin Langley Memorial Run- October 9. Since the board meeting, there has been e-mail discussion on this topic. RTC had made an original donation to this event when it started. At this time, we will suggest other avenues to the organizers for funding.

8. FYI

- a. Summer picnic, August 21, Slatterly Park, 6 PM
- b. Run at Work Day, Sept 19
- c. Annual RTC Banquet, January 10, 6 PM, Willow Creek

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting will be Thursday, Sept. 11, 7 PM, RAC Conference room.