



***FARC Board of Directors***

***Meeting Minutes***

***November 17, 2022***

**In Attendance: Brian P, Judy, Patty, David, Rebecca, Mike Wood, Carrie**

**Video: Will, Lou, Kristen**

**Called to order: 7:00**

- Reading and Approval of Minutes: Judy approved, Patty 2nd, all approved
- Reports of Officers
  - Treasurer's Report (Rebecca)
    1. This report covers activities since 20 October 2022
    2. We have two medium-old outstanding checks:
      - a. 4570 - Justin Neibauer (Devil's Den award check) - after sending some emails, it looks like Chris K still has the check and now Justin knows this and Chris plans to get the check to Justin.
      - b. 4582 - Ashley Barrow (Downtown Mile Public Safety Officer) - I sent an email to Sara on 11/16/2022, she responded saying she will get the contact info so we can reach out
    3. I mailed Kathleena a replacement check for 2021 1st place female Grand Prix winnings (\$400)
    4. Over the next week, I will be putting together next year's budget proposal. Please let me know if you have input.
    5. Things I know I need to do
      - a. Pay domain renewal (2 years) - I need to check on this, I thought I paid with a credit card, but it doesn't look like the payment went through. After further investigation, it looks like this account is linked to our PayPal for automatic payment.
      - b. Devil's Den will close out after Chris hears back about the \$1000 refund (may need an updated W9 from me)
      - c. I'm working with Gwen to close out the Braswell 5k; I need to send checks to the schools, to the Race for Credits winner, and to the Community Foundation
      - d. I need to close out the Beer Mile:

- i. I need to pull out the Square transactions that include the Beer Mile shirt sales and donations and move to those to the Beer Mile account (everything is in Merchandise right now)
- ii. Once the above are done, I need to write checks for FGP and Barley Naked
- e. I need to go to the bank to deposit the \$500 donation check from SH Development Co Inc; the check won't read for mobile deposit
- f. Create a separate account to manage the RRCA grant
- g. Set up the new merchandise accounts - Vic Culp, please know that the fact this is still on my plate eats away at my soul every night. Really, I will

Approved by: David L approves, Patty 2nds, all approved

- Vice President (Ospreys, etc...) (Vic B)
  - Nothing to report
- Reports of Committees
  - Merchandise Vic C
    - Nothing to report
  - Grand Prix- Patty/Shawn
    - Work with Kristen on chip timing and bibs. Do not tag all the bibs.
    - Going through the race agreements now to finalize and will get them out by Monday November 21st.
    - Update on Grand Prix to include
    - Timing Contract and Race Contracts
      - Finalized the race timing agreement
    - Plans for the Lucky Road award
      - Has a new design, maybe new medals for next year
        - Possible 37 people to earn all pieces of the medal this year.
    - Banquet
      - Brian has asked for all logistics for the banquet
      - Especially about the tickets
  - **Membership**
    - Finalize dues proposal and send to members

The Fredericksburg Area Running Club's (FARC's) dues structure has remained the same for many years. In that time, our operating costs have gone up. The Board of Directors has completed a market survey of regional running clubs. We have found the following issues with the dues structure:

1. Lack of benefit for multi-year registration
2. Structure of individual and family memberships, as the \$5 difference between an individual membership and a family membership is disproportional.
3. The need for a step between individual and family or a “dual” membership.

We have also reviewed our current outreach programs, namely the Ospreys program and new runner training programs, and our social programs. We found the operating costs of these programs have increased over time.

**Current FARC dues are:**

<b>Membership Level</b>	<b>1 Year</b>	<b>2 Years</b>
Individual	\$25	\$50
Family	\$30	\$60
Student	\$15	\$20

**Proposed FARC dues:**

<b>Membership Level</b>	<b>1 Year</b>	<b>2 Years</b>
Individual	\$25	\$45
Dual*	\$40	\$75
Family	\$50	\$90
Student	\$20	\$35

\*Dual Membership is defined as 2 people in the same household

We believe this structure will better align the individual membership options and provide a modest increase in funds for the club to utilize. Further, this aligns with the dues structure of many running clubs in the area. If approved this structure would be effective after 30 days.

All FARC members are invited to vote on this matter during the December board meeting. Please contact a member of the board of directors should you have any questions or concerns prior to the meeting.

- Social Committee (Jeff)
  - Plans for our Holiday Gathering?
  - Social Committee is not present. Brian prefers early December.
  - ? 2nd Wednesday in December
- Newsletter (Will)
  - Great responses from the newsletter
  - Week away from sending out the newsletter, would like the dates for social events.
  - Can we advertise the Grand Prix Schedule now? Yes, as a tentative schedule.
  - Brian is going to print postcards for next year's races
  - Kristen hasn't received her race agreements.
- Volunteer Committee
  - David needs volunteer lists for FredNats
- Old Business
  - Election/Nominations (Rebecca)
    - Finalize nominations and send to members
- New Business
  - Recognize Pillars of FARC
    - Brian has come up with the idea of offering members who have done a lot for FARC and made it what it is.
    - He would like to have 5 members to start.
    - Give them lifetime membership.
    - Is okay legally to give a lifetime membership?
    - Will suggested asking past presidents for their recommendations.
    - This will be tabled. David is willing to put something together into writing.
  - Provide 2023 Budget input to Rebecca
    - Anyone who has a budget line needs to provide that info to Rebecca.

- Around the Table (chicken)
  - o Patty: Went to Lucky Road to drop off around awards and they had a stockpile and need to be picked up by February. A table at Grand Prix Banquet for people to get there stuff.
  - o David L - needs volunteers for awards Judy, Rebecca and Will
- Adjourn: Meeting Patty, Judy 2nds all approved.