

# FARC Board of Directors Meeting

May 16, 2024

600 Lafayette Blvd, Suite 101, Fredericksburg, VA

## Call to Order

- Meeting Called to Order at 7:00pm by President, Brian Pessolano

## Board Members

- In Attendance: Brian Pessolano, Vic Barthelemy, David Lovegrove, Rebecca Ivester, Jeff Haber, Tony Luna, Andrew Wood, Will Triplett, Tracy Lloyd
- Absent: None
- Quorum Present? Yes

Others Present: Vic Culp, Stephanie Wood, Jim Lafferty, John Ashburn, Amanda Lovegrove, Kristen Loescher

## Approval of the Minutes

- Motion by Vic Barthelemy to approve the minutes of April 18, 2024 as circulated
- Seconded by Rebecca Ivester and carried without dissent

## Reports of Officers

- Treasurers Report (Tony Luna)
  - 2024 Spring Fever 5K has been invoiced and waiting for payment to come back
  - Checks received - lots from GTR \$25,841 so far with more being calculated from May
  - \$18,679.66 spent so far on GTR and May spending still needs to be added
  - Cash has been dispersed for GTR, social events, and Arsenal timing
  - \$309 difference between money received and money spent in April
  - Lucky Road check for merchandise is posted to account 372 and will move to account 371 (\$2,030.10 total sales for year)
  - Taxes were filed
  - Motion by Rebecca Ivester to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Vic Barthelemy and carried without dissent.
- Vice President (Vic Barthelemy)
  - Ospreys are on break right now
  - 40-45 Ospreys ran at GTR and lots of them placed in their age groups

## Reports of Committees

- Merchandise (Vic Barthelemy)
  - Winter merchandise is out of Lucky Road and is being stored at Vic's house. In the fall, we can bring out the merchandise to sell or giveaway.
  - Summer merchandise is at Lucky Road
- Grand Prix (Shawn Carrington, David Lovegrove)
  - David Lovegrove can hand out medals at the June and July races
  - Board is happy to include Heppe 15k in next year's Grand Prix series (race date will be 4/26/2025)
  - Heppe 5K will still benefit from 15K advertising, but won't count for points in the GP
  - SPCA is next race with 180 registrants so far, much improved from last year
  - Brian has asked race directors to send out current GP standings after each race and maybe that's contributing to higher number of participants
- Social Committee (Jeff Haber, Robyn Lee, Adam DiMatteo)
  - 79 tickets out of 80 have been sold for the ballgame
  - 13 volunteers will be at the Historic Half beer tent this weekend
  - Lucky Road will be open at 5:15am for Historic Half participants
  - Next social run is 6/12 at 6pm at Red Dragon Brewery
- Newsletter (Will Triplett)
  - Appreciate everyone's input for a good and robust newsletter
  - Input for the next newsletter is needed by 5/24 and the newsletter will go out around 5/26
  - There will be no Ospreys report this month since they're on break

## Old Business

- Runner Training (Rebecca Ivester, Tracy Lloyd)
  - Historic Half training has completed and feedback was very favorable. Everyone enjoyed having Lucky Road open and appreciated the water stops.
  - Brian Pessolano will reach out to Lou Peradotto to start planning the C25K training program for the Braswell 5K

- Track Tuesdays (Andrew & Stephanie Wood)
  - Want to keep it informal and stress “laid back” approach
  - Brian Pessolano provided a contact at James Monroe High School and insurance and non-profit status were needed to secure the track
  - Contract isn’t signed yet and will cost \$25 per session
  - This needs to be a FARC event for insurance purposes. There was discussion around FARC paying the track fees if enough donations aren’t collected
  - At each Track Tuesday, there will be a roster to sign up for events. Andrew or Stephanie Wood will have a stopwatch to track the races and record results (Terry and Jeff can help)
  - June 4th is the first event, 6-7:30pm, and will run every Tuesday through 7/23
  
- GTR Recap
  - Over 1500 kids registered this year
  - Lots of good volunteers from the club and race photos are up
  - We are expecting a large donation this year to be divided up among the Fredericksburg Area Service League, Fredericksburg Volunteer Fire Department, Loisanne’s Hope House, \$2,000 to schools, and some to FARC
  - Money that comes into the club goes into a general account. Brian Pessolano recommended putting it towards new merchandise
  - Tony Luna is working hard to settle the remaining bills

#### New Business

- Grand Prix Race Director
  - Shawn Carrington stepped down effective immediately as Grand Prix race director
  - David Lovegrove volunteered to be interim Grand Prix race director through June and possibly through August. Angela Anderson offered to help.
  - Current committee is David Lovegrove, Angela Anderson, Patty Kramer, Michelle Lemke, Brad Rippey, Vic Barthelemy

### Around the Table (Chicken)

- Will Triplett
  - Thanks for letting me bring the game trailer to GTR
- Kristen Loescher
  - SPCA have 182 registered compared with 78 last year.
  - Registrations for Fallen Heroes is up compared with last year too.
  - GTR went really well, but heat changes can't happen at the last minute
  - Colonial Forge HS needs a new track coach as of 6/2. Reach out to Kristen or Jeff Terry if you know of potential candidates.
- Vic Culp
  - For next year's GTR, it would be helpful to have "no parking" between Frederick and Princess Anne
- Tracy Lloyd
  - The email for the John Robbins Scholarship has been sent out and the deadline for applications is 6/15
  - I'll be out of the country 5/29 - 6/16 so Brian Pessolano and Rebecca Ivester will respond to emails to [info@runfarc.com](mailto:info@runfarc.com)
- Brian Pessolano
  - Saturday FARC runs will start at 7am starting on 6/1

### Adjournment

- Motion by Tracy Lloyd to adjourn the meeting
- Seconded by Rebecca Ivester and carried without dissent
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm

Minutes submitted by Tracy Lloyd on May 22, 2024