



Richmond Road Runners Club - Meeting Minutes - June 9, 2021

Opening remarks, ground rules and welcome guests – Nikkia Young, President

Nikkia called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and welcomed everyone.

Approval of May, 2021 meeting minutes - Victoria Hauser, Secretary

Annie made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Amy, and the vote was unanimous.

Financial Reports – Dawn Walker, Treasurer and Mark Cerny, Assistant Treasurer

Bank Balances	
Checking	10,847.13
Money Markets	362,739.02
Certificate of Deposit	37,045.40
Total	410,631.55

It was noted that an acknowledgement letter will be sent to Colonial Granite for their donation to the scholarship fund.

Marketing and Sponsorship – Amy Black, VP of Marketing

Amy noted that the sponsorship document was being worked on. The welcome back discount code had brought in new memberships. Edward Jones will be a sponsor for the Pony Pasture 5k. Please share events and news on social media.

Operations – Crystal Koch, VP of Operations

Boxer Brief 5k is this Saturday. Anne is timing, Glenn is driving.
Need an RD/Event Planner for the T Rex run on Sunday, November 14.
Need someone to take on the Summer Track Series (2022).

The Youth running camp registration opened on June 10. The camps will be held the week of July 12 and July 19 with 60 students each week.

Micheal George will serve as the liaison between the club and members of the community that are creating new races.

Another Race Director training will be held in the fall.

Review of races

Stratford Hills 10k - May 29 - (Nikkia Young)

We had a rainy but great race day. Shoutout to all the racers, volunteers and club support. Randomly selected virtual racers should be seeing prizes hitting their mailboxes soon.

Preview of upcoming races

Thanks Dad 5k - June 20 - (Allison May and Eric Nachman)

Anne is timing, Glenn is driving, all hands on deck to make sure Allison and Eric succeed as first time RDs.

Cul de Sac 5ks - July 5, 12, 19 (Mike Gholson)

All permits are in hand and as of June 3rd. 14 people have signed up. Course is just about done and a map will be posted in the next few days.

Mike noted that the course had been set. There are 65 people registered and 4 registered for the virtual race. The t-shirt design is wrapping up. He asked about serving food after the race and following discussion it was determined that watermelon and pizza could be served. Volunteers can help with serving and with crowd control. The race website has been updated to reflect that it is not a trail run.

Pony Pasture - July 24 (Mara George)

Mara noted that registration will be opening soon. There will not be shuttles. A non-binary registration option will be available.

Ashland Half Marathon - August 28 (Michael George)

Michael noted that there are 116 registrations. Volunteer sign-up will open soon through Sportsbackers, now that Monument Avenue races are complete.

Turkey Trot - November 25 - (Michael George)

No course yet, but options are being considered.

Training teams

- New Runners (Herv Sherd)

The New runners team is still having good attendance, we are averaging about 15 per night going into week 5.

- Equipment – Glenn Melton

Everything is good after the Stratford Hills race.

Operations Manager/Administrator/RunSignup Coordinator– Dave Trump

Dave noted that Shawn and Allison are doing a great job with RunSignUp. Sales from the store have slowed down.

Miles & Minutes – Selina Guider and Annie Tobey

Annie noted that Selina has had to step down from the role. The last issue was distributed at the Carytown race and Annie will coordinate with other race directors for distribution at future races. Stories and recipes are being accepted for the next issue, as well as suggestions on other places to distribute hard copies.

Social Media – Chris Mason

We use the club's social media to advertise races such as the Stratford Hills 10k, as well as the Ashland Half Marathon (and to discuss the name change as well). Both platforms were also used to discuss the RRRC Scholarship program , as well as ensure runners knew what proper water vessels they can use for our self-serve races (via a run photo share).

Please continue to let us know when a race opens as we'll be happy to have that event created for you.

Grand Prix - Suzi Silverstein & Ralph Gibbs

Flying Squirrels game - June 10 - Mike Levins

We're set to go to the Diamond next Thursday. I've ordered 110 tickets. I'll be outside the Diamond at 5:30 before the game to distribute the tix. I'll send information to the registered folks early next week, before Wednesday's meeting.

Mike has the tickets. He will be outside on the first base side to distribute tickets before the game. The stadium will be at 100% capacity. There will be a double header. If there are rain delays, ticket holders can select another game in July.

2021 RRRC College Scholarship - Kirk Millikan

We received 25 applications for the 2021 RRRC College Scholarship. This number of applications is very similar to previous years. We have a great group of people in the scholarship committee this year who will be reviewing applications this month. Scholarship winners will be notified at the end of June and will be recognized at the Pony Pasture 5K.

Kirk noted that the winners will be emailed to the board prior to being announced.

Nominating Committee/ End of Year Elections - Jennifer Perrin

Please email Jennifer or officers if you are interested in serving.

New Business

1. Beginner Runner Clinic with Lucky Road - Crystal Koch

Following discussion, it was agreed to have a committee explore options to put on the clinic and to present recommendations to the board.

2. Community Liaison for supporting organizations with races - Crystal Koch/ Michael George

3. Updates on July meeting - Nikkia Young

It was agreed that the July meeting would be canceled and board members were asked to volunteer at the Cul-de-sac or Pony Pasture races.

4. Grand Prix Banquet

Before the pandemic, discussion was held on having two events, one for Grand Prix and one for volunteers. Following discussion, it was decided to have one event/ banquet in March, 2022 and revisit separate events.

Cheers!

Adjourn

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria A. Hauser