



BCRR Board Minutes

January 14, 2020 7:00 pm

Modern B&B, 4003 Hazard St, Houston TX

Attendees: Board 2019-2020: Christina Jones (pres), David Piper (vp), Andrew Young (sec), Sarah Austin (al), Mirka Jalovcova (al), Joel DuBois (al)

Review Meeting Minutes from last month – Minutes approved with addition of Dave's expenses for Alex's.

Treasurer Report:

- Peter reporting in absentia: BCRR account: \$30,298 balance, recent expenses include Christmas party reimbursements (see below).
- Alex's 5K account: \$23,148 balance. All expenses from race paid except reimbursement to David P. who has been very irresponsible in turning in his receipts. The HMSA will make a donation, but due to poor 25K attendance it will be no more than \$400.
- Peter, Sarah & Christina completed reassignment of signing authority at Cadence Bank. Removed Lara from Alex's account as she does not sign checks.
- Board approved annual donation of \$250 to First Christian Church for parking privileges. Reminder that Feb. 26 is Ash Wednesday, no parking.

Newsletter/Website:

- Next newsletter targeted for Feb. 1 release.
 - Topics: Rosie interview (Mike), John Phillips retirement (David G), John's Long Run (Andrew), Joanna Ira profile (Justyna) or Jodi Berry profile (Christina), marathon statistics (Joel), marathon predictions (Neeraj)
- Discussed whether slow new member sign ups could be related to reduced traffic to website. Agreed to review Google statistics for website visits.
- Visitor policy: agreed to add language to website clarifying that visitors are welcome and do not need to be club members to run with us.

Weekly Email

- Christina reports that weekly emails have been rejected by the Gmail system recently. The account may have been incorrectly "blacklisted" as a spam source.
- Will attempt to contact Gmail tech support, as well as investigate alternatives such as Google Groups, Mail Chimp, Constant Contact.

Houston Marathon – Jan 19 2020

- Pasta Party at the Modern B&B, 6:30pm Jan 17
 - Joel to provide a case of beer. Lisa has wine. Lisa to buy water and Topo Chico.
 - Members are asked to bring potluck pasta dish. Board members will provide sides (salad, bread, dessert)
- Post race party: Sue, Alan, Chuck & Cheryl are preparing. An extra helper or two on race day might be helpful, but not necessary



- Aid stations are set (8mi, 20mi). Discussed where Kyle & Sarah could spectate. Decided against an early (3 mi) gear drop since weather will not be too cold.

Darling Dash – Feb 23 2020

- Mike reports in absentia that his team is ready. Requests two BCRR volunteers on race day (Christina & Sarah). Christina & Sarah to contact Mike to receive detailed instructions.

Spring Banquet – May 20 2020

- Christina to ask Bob Thompson to check availability of St. Arnold's Investor Lounge, put down deposit for banquet.

Event Recaps

- 30K: Good performances from club members under tough conditions. No changes noted for next year
- Christmas Lights Run: Run was well attended. Next year call Kenneally's in advance to let them know a large group will be coming. Also consider other possible start locations, as parking in River Oaks has become much more restricted
- Christmas Party: Agreed to rehire Buttercup (\$500), request a little lower volume next year. Chipotle food was popular (\$500), so was cookie table. Lisa spent \$190 on babysitter and cleanup. Christina spent \$120 on supplies. Collected \$610 at the door, estimate 70 people attended.
- John's Looong Run: Estimate 70-80 people attended, including 30 Striders. Collected \$560 at the door, expenses totaled \$546. Positive feedback from Sue & Alan, no issues with additional participation by combining with Striders. Positive feedback from Chad & Lee (Striders), consider cooperation again next year. Propose Striders could be responsible for the course, BCRR responsible for the party. Would require Alan to train someone from the Striders about course marking.
- April Murphy Happy Hour: Estimate 20 attended, event was well received.

At Large Member Updates

- New member welcome packets: Mirka reports 1 new member in December
 - Membership renewal: 275 members renewed
- Volunteer coordinator: Joel D. is replacing David G. Joel will communicate with John as the spring races approach to determine equipment lists and recruit volunteers.
- Race committee liaison: Mike absent, emailed update on Darling Dash & BBR.
- Social media: Justyna absent, no update.
- Treasurer in training: Sarah is now co-signer on Alex's and BBR accounts.

Sunday Breakfast

February 2 - Retrospect

HHours - 7pm-?:



January 17 - Pasta Party
January 24 - Under the Radar
January 31 - Better Luck Tomorrow
February 7 - Under the Volcano
February 14 - Mongoose vs. Cobra

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 11, 7:00pm, Modern B&B

Board Meeting Dinner:

February 11 - Andrew
March 10 - Christina