

Minutes Board of Directors Meeting March 8, 2021 (6pm) By Videoconference

Board members present: Casey Urschel, Patrick Morrison, Geoff Rose, Kristin Braud, Pat Driscoll, Lori Gaston, Roy Lissarague, Ashley Rosenberry, Randy Schmidt, Amanda Villemarette, Joey Yanosky, Sylvia Kamp, Lenetra Jefferson, Tony Margherio, Fred Ruckert, J.J. Waguespack, Mary White

Also Present: Bob Lanteigne

Not Present: Heidi Lovett, Fred Ruckert, Jason Joubert, Vicky Morales

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance (lead by Patrick Morrison - VP)

Approval of February 2021 Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve 2/2021 board meeting minutes by J.J. Waguespack., seconded by J. Yanosky. Motion approved.

Correspondence:

Jacques Fuselier advised Dan Fuselier, his father, a NOTC member and former President of NOTC, had passed away. Randy RD will have opportunity here for future conversation with discussion presented with ways to honor him.

Randy Thibodeaux, a NOTC member and one of the founders of Hotter Than Hell Marathon passed away, being a member of note with NOTC. In lieu of flowers, Liz L. suggested a financial donation (listed in his obituary), we will send on behalf of the club. Geoff R. suggested up to \$250 available here.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report (Geoff Rose, Treasurer)

- Current funds in the bank = \$1.115 million (effective end of 2/2021)
- Fiscal YTD loss: -\$28,386
- Month of February: -\$10,185 (mostly the \$7,023 paid out to the 2 Turkey Day Race Charities: Spina Bifida & Second Harvesters)

President's Report (Casey Urschel)

- Randy Schmidt was asked to jump off videoconference such that board could discuss his board resignation and Race Director offer letter. R. Schmidt. left the call. Discussion that he was offered position as NOTC RD. Discussion that he first has to send President official resignation from the board. Board has to vote on this, as the non-compete letter was presented.

- Motion to accept his resignation from the board by J. Yanosky, seconded by A. Villemarette. Motion approved unanimously.

- T. Margherio was asked to jump off videoconference such that board could discuss his move into a voting board member status (from non-voting board member status). T. Margherio left the call.

- G. Rose made motion to move T. Margherio onto board as a voting board member (from a non-voting board member status), seconded by R. Lissarague. Motion approved.

- L. Jefferson advised she was resigning from the board and said good luck to all in the future with discussion on how board members are chosen. President advised per bylaws he is able to select someone to fill the position, that T. Margherio is very involved and a good fit for NOTC. R. Lissarague offered T. Margherio has been consistent and worked many races and timing, as well. T. Margherio joined call following vote and discussion.
- Follow up discussion made where L. Jefferson must put in writing to C. Urschel she has resigned from board. P. Morrison made a motion to accept L. Jefferson's resignation from board of directors, J.J. Waguespack seconded. Motion approved.
- J.J. Waguespack made motion to accept documents for RD offer letter and agreement for R. Schmidt to become RD, seconded by J. Yanosky. Motion approved. R. Schmidt joined call following vote and discussion.
- Nominating Committee for June 2021, discussion with a need here for at least 2 members in good standing, with 4 from general membership. C. Urschel suggested they will be working with B. Lanteigne and F. Ruckert with regard to social media and how to apply and spread word through existing run groups such as Move Ya Brass, Guidos, 504, and more. C. Urschel offered T. Margherio and A. Villemarette to co-chair this committee. C. Urschel offered how elections are important to get people involved here.
- R. Lissarague made a motion to nominate and accept them as co-chairs of this committee, seconded by J.J. Waguespack. Motion approved.
- RRCA Convention scheduled for end of April 2021. Last year was Portland, Oregon. Orlando is less expensive. People that will continue to serve in positions of leadership with NOTC to attend. C. Urschel offered he attended once and topics are helpful and will further assist those in how to run a successful running club. P. Morrison and R. Schmidt to attend, with P. Driscoll requesting to attend. G. Rose advised \$3600 seems appropriate here based on transportation, registration, hotel, and related expenses.
- G. Rose motioned to put \$3600 in budget for RRCA Convention to fund transportation and related expenses as proposed for this event, S. Kamp seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (provided by R. Schmidt)

Race Director Items:

May Race proposed in conjunction with Crawfish Festival end April 2021 – beginning May 2021 pending details and updates from city officials.

Father's Day Race discussion to have it at Bucktown or another Jefferson Parish location for June 2021 (no permit available for Audubon Park).

Summer Series (6/9, 6/30, 7/21) race permits are put in with Jefferson Parish with all races here moving to Lafreniere Park.

Spillway Race July 2021 looks favorable per J.J. Waguespack.

Anniversary Race August 2021 pending with options for Jefferson Parish at this time.

Blue Doo (TBD, per update from C. Urschel), looks like it will be a virtual race option with no in-person option favorable for the future per contacts.

Standing Committee Reports**Special Committee Reports****Unfinished Business****New Business**

Run Group: P. Driscoll advised regarding the NOTC Spring Run/Walk Clinic, there were a lot of several volunteers who helped over the past few weeks in conjunction with the run group meets. She suggested we should show our level of appreciation to get several gift cards for those who assisted so generously. C. Urschel offered there is \$250 in budget to get some gift cards perhaps with Fleet Feet, with board approval required for additional. P. Driscoll motioned to spend up to \$400 and not to exceed this amount for volunteer coaches for our NOTC Spring Run/Walk Clinic for Fleet Feet gift cards. G. Rose seconded. Motion passed. P. Driscoll advised there would be a Racewalk Clinic in Audubon, outside, usually 5 to 25 participants in May 2021, with discussion regarding Racewalking Clinic Committee reports. G. Rose offered that there were some board members that were appointed in August 2020 that have been absent from several board meetings. C. Urschel advised it needs to come to a vote per bylaws to remove any board members if they are in violation. G. Rose offered the pictures on social media of soldiers in Kuwait in our NOTC shirts was very favorable. Good feedback regarding social media with thanks to those assisting here.

EXECUTIVE SESSION**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next board meeting – Monday, April 12, 2021, 6pm via Videoconference.

ADJOURNMENT