



Minutes from NOTC  
Board Meeting  
January 9, 2023  
7:00pm  
Ace License & Title

## **Minutes from Board Meeting, January 9, 2023, 7:00PM**

NOTC Board Members present: Patrick Morrison, Roy Lissarrague, Geoff Rose, Michele Campisi, Pat Driscoll, Scott Hall, Jessica Henschen, Joel Henschen, Karah Lindbergh, Belinda Loo, Alan Rovira, J. J. Waguespack, Joey Yanosky.

Also present: Ben Burke, Fred Ruckert

Not present: Jason Joubert

### **Call to Order (6:55PM)**

**Pledge of Allegiance** (Roy Lissarrague)

### **Approval of December 2022 Meeting Minutes**

- Motion to approve December 2022 Meeting Minutes by Alan Rovira, seconded by Joel Henschen. Motion approved.

### **Correspondence:**

- None

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Treasurer's Report** (Geoff Rose, Treasurer)

- Current balance: \$1,056,156.35
- December 2022 loss: \$10,146.60
- YTD loss: \$19,845.01

### **Vice President's Report** (Roy Lissarrague, VP)

- ~1 month ago we were alerted that we lost the Greek Fest 5K, but after discussion with their board of directors, we were able to get it back. New contract will pay them \$10,000 flat fee for up to 1200 participants, then \$10/participant after that. Also potentially moving race to Saturday morning. Is doable by increasing race registration cost and limiting costs for giveaways.
- Also working on a 5K with Second Harvest Food Bank. Possible first race of Grand Prix. Will offer tours of the facility after the race.



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### **EXECUTIVE RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Ben Burke)**

- Jackson Day: went well, other than problem with T-shirts (? too many t-shirts given to volunteers). Will start working on volunteer-specific t-shirts. 266 participants (~30 same day registration)
- Mardi Gras 5K February 11, 2023: 252 signed up so far (compared with 186 at this time last year). Ben meeting with their marketing person to push event.
- Crawfish Fest March 26, 2023: opening soon
- Greek Fest May, 2023: opening soon
- Anniversary Race (May 13) and Father's Day Race (6/18) back to Audubon Park. Permits approved, but no music until after 10am.
- 2023 Summer Series: June 8, June 29 and July 27.
- Spillway: J.J. to start filing for permits in January.
- Pride Sept 2, 2023
- Blue Doo: tbd
- Race Committee met January 4, 2023.
- Ben meeting with RunSignUp to institute dynamic bib assignments and QR codes for registration and (possibly) results.

### **President's Report (Patrick Morrison, President)**

- January Membership meeting will be held January 25, 2023. Chandelier Brewing Company to donate beer. Grand Prix awards also to be given out at that time with announcement of next GP events.
- Greek Fest: as per Roy's discussion. Motion to approve new contract that will pay them \$10,000 flat fee for up to 1200 participants, then \$10/ paid participant after that by J.J. Waguespack, seconded by Roy Lissarrague. Motion approved.
- Turkey Day: Motion to approve new contract that has NOAC doing all media by Roy Lissarrague, seconded by Geoff Rose. Motion approved.
- Second Harvest 5K: will have similar contract as Blue Doo providing them \$1.50/paid participant Contract also states that should either organization raise sponsorship money, 90% will go to the raising organization and 10% to the other organization. NOTC to file for naming trademark for this race and all other possible



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races. Motion to approve contact by J.J. Waguespack, second by Joey Yanosky. Motion approved.

- We need to look for new office space. Will need good storage space, access to a board room and comfortable and safe for Ben and Liz. Motion to allow Executive Committee to seek and pursue an appropriate space costing up to \$1200/month. Motion by Roy Lissarrague, second by Jessica Henschen. Motion approved.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Geoff: Doug Holmes to draft letter to Casey and Angela (doing business as Lazy Hound Racing) explaining the non-disclosure agreement they both signed when they joined the board. Should cost <\$500. Motion to pay Doug Holmes for the letter by Jessica Henschen, second by Roy Lissarrague. Motion approved.
- Ben: Looking into purchasing a new truss system for finish line. Can rent one from PEM for \$300/race or purchase new one for \$4500. Joey/Ben to measure yellow truck to make sure it will fit. Motion to allow Ben to spend up to \$5000 for new truss system by Roy Lissarrague, second by Joel Henschen. Motion approved.
- Patrick: Current pick-up truck was purchased in 2008. Is failing apart, but still in working condition. Can 1) do nothing, 2) buy new/used truck, 3) repair current truck, 4) compensate Ben for using his POV. Motion to increase Ben's stipend for using his own truck from \$100 to \$250 per month by Roy Lissarrague, second by Alan Rovira. Motion passed.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Next board meeting: Monday, February 13, 2023, 7:00pm – Ace License & Title building, 2019 Jefferson Hwy, Jefferson, LA 70121

## **ADJOURNMENT (8:29PM)**