## **Lehigh Valley Road Runners Board**

## February 17, 2021

Present: (All via Zoom) Leslie Billowitch, Brian Schaffer, Brian Patterson, Neal Novak, Janie Slamon,. Jill Forsythe, Meredith Longo. Lisa Bellito, Lloyd Trego

Excused: Loretta Dodson

Meeting commenced at 7:00; a quorum was present. Jill moved the January 2021 minutes approved, Brian Patterson seconded, and Board unanimously approved the minutes.

Treasurer's Report discussed; Brian Patterson moved the report be accepted, Meredith seconded and the Report was accepted.

## **Old Business**

- 1. Motion made by Leslie via email to all Board members on January 22, 2021:
  - a. Use of up to \$4,000 of Scholarship funds for Emmaus High School Scholarships
  - b. Regarding Emmaus 4 Mile Classic:
    - Email 119 entrants registered for 2020 race to advise of 2021 race and COVID changes, with notice that these entrants have option of racing in 2021 or receiving refund
    - Race changes as follows:
    - Wave starts separated by 15-30 seconds (have asked borough for 20p 15 sec wave final Decision based on their approval).
      - no water stop
      - no kids mile
      - longer finish chute with scribe at end writing bib numbers (to compare to clicker for touch less finish)
      - mailing of top awards
      - no school use (bring own tables and trashcans)
      - port o John outside of school
      - no pressure race food water bottle to go only
      - Club COVID items (sanitizer, masks, etc)

Motion passed by majority vote January 27, 2021.

- 2. Motion made by Leslie January 31, 2021 that a notice be published in the monthly newsletter soliciting nominations to fill Board vacancies, and the publication be published in the newsletter for future vacancies. Motion approved by majority vote January 31, 2021 at 6:11 pm.
- 3. Roof repair Brian Patterson solicited bids and received the following estimates:
  - Paul Wright Roofing -\$3,700- \$3,800
  - Alan Kunsman Roofing & Siding \$2,800 \$2900

Brian Patterson moved to accept the Kunsman bid, Janie seconded and the motion approved unanimously.

## **New Business**

- 1) City of Allentown Update --Leslie spoke to a representative of Allentown Parks Department; City still in a holding pattern regarding issuance of permits.
- 2) Loretta emailed a report in her absence and noted that the Kids Race Committee will host three (3) races at Bicentennial Park in Northampton County. This decision made because City of Allentown has not issued permits. The Park manager will meet with the committee course crew to review the race courses
- 3) February Funk Fitness Challenge– There are 107 entrants. An advertisement was placed on Facebook, and as a result entries received from all over the United States. Participants are engaging in really interesting activities, and some have already reached the 100 mile goal. Jill plans on summarizing and publishing highlights because some of the activities are so unique
- 4) Ice Scraper Race will be virtual for March race due to lack of permit from City of Allentown.
- 5) Emmaus 4 Mile Classic Race registrants from 2020 have been contacted. 37 plan on racing in the April 11, 2021 race while 20 have sought refunds. The race will open to new 2021 registrants February 24. Emmaus Borough has issued approval. Race will have 10 waves of 20 racers each, wave starts not based on pace.
- 6) Scholarships
  - a) Brian Patterson moved that Club move forward with annual scholarship distribution, Janie seconded and motion approved.
  - b) The Scholarship Committee approved raising the GPA minimum requirement from 2.5 to 3.0.
  - c) It was noted there are adequate funds for scholarships, and in an effort to maximize distribution of funds, the Grants Committee will advertise the availability of funds.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:34 pm to discuss a personnel matter related to Board vacancies. Upon reconvening at 8:04, Brian Patterson moved that Mitch Hanna and Ingrid Moore be approved as Board Members. Lisa seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business, Leslie moved for adjournment, Janie seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Next meeting scheduled March 17, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie Slamon Acting Secretary