

Lehigh Valley Road Runners Board Meeting

May 2021

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of Lehigh Valley Road Runners (LVRR) was held at the clubhouse on May 19, 2021. Present: Leslie Billowitch, Brian Patterson, Neal Novak, Janie Slamon, Jill Forsythe, Mitchell Hanna, Rob Blizard, Lloyd Trego, Lisa Bellito, Brian Schaffer, Ingrid Moore and Meredith Longo

Excused: Loretta Dodson

Meeting commenced at 7:00 pm; a quorum was present. Having been previously distributed to Board members, Meredith moved the April 2021 minutes be approved with corrections, Brian Patterson seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

The Treasurer's Report, also distributed in advance, was discussed; Lisa moved the report be accepted, Janie seconded and the Report was accepted.

Old Business

1. Electronic Activity:

-President Leslie Billowitch emailed Board members on May 5, 2021 requesting an e-vote on City of Allentown Parks Department for an additional \$2,500 of funds to complete stoning/cindering of Parkway path. Board approved this expenditure by majority vote.

-On May 6, 2021 President Leslie Billowitch e-mailed all members of the Board of Directors a motion to permit Girls on the Run to participate in the June 2021 summer series race. Motion approved, with exception of runners under 10 years old, who are not permitted to participate in accordance with race policy establishing minimum participation age of 10 years.

2. Half Marathon – Due to scheduled activities, J. Birney Crum Stadium will not be available for set-up until the morning of the race, October 17, 2021. Permits for the Half Marathon, 5K and Youth Run have been filed with the City of Allentown. Contacts have also been made to the Allentown School District.

3. Grants – Nothing to report.

4. Kids Series -Loretta provided her report in advance. Kids Series Committee will consider increasing registrations numbers consistent with CDC guidelines. First race is scheduled for June 26. As of May 13 registrations spots were filled for younger age groups. Volunteer information is established on website; additionally, an email blast will be sent to recruit volunteers.

5. Scholarships – Meredith reported that a few applications have been received; the deadline is May 31, 2021. Loretta has been providing scholarship info to coaches.

6. Summer Series – May 5 race went well; there were approximately 135 runners. Parks Department continues to follow CDC and Pennsylvania state guidelines, so runners will be masked pre and post-race. A time clock will be present for the June race.

New Business:

1. LVRR Clubhouse will reopen beginning June 2021.
2. Aardvark Sports Shop continues as a sponsor for LVRR and several of its events for 2021.
3. Clean-up will be scheduled for leaf removal in clubhouse area.
4. LVRR board members expressed their appreciation for Allentown Parks Department employees, recognizing their work maintaining Parkway running paths.

There being no further business, Leslie moved for adjournment, Lisa seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Next meeting scheduled June 16, 2021 at the Clubhouse.

Respectfully submitted,

Janie Slamon
Secretary