



Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club
General Meeting
Point of Woods Community Center
January 13, 2016 @ 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: Tom and Marcia Adams, Frank Broderick, Maureen Cox, Brian Northan, Chris Nowak, John Parisella, Jon Rocco, Cathy Sliwinski, Lara Stelmaszyk, Jim Tierney

Call to Order (John Parisella):

1. Approval of December 9, 2015, minutes. Motion made by Marcia Adams to approve minutes, seconded by Cathy Sliwinski. Motion passed.

2. Reports of Officers

- 2.1 President (J. Parisella): No report, except to say that he responded by letter to someone who was concerned about the *Pace Setter* going electronic only.
- 2.2 Executive Vice President (F. Broderick): No report. Has documents regarding the Shrader Scholarship, and he and John Parisella will be getting the applications out to coaches.
- 2.3 Executive Vice President – Finance (R. Newkirk): No report
- 2.4 Secretary (L. Stelmaszyk): No report
- 2.5 Treasurer (J. Golden): See attached report. Total of accounts: \$307,630.09

3. Reports of Committees

3.1 Membership (D. Fisher-Golden): See attached report.

Total membership: 3,125

Change in membership: 128

New memberships: 141

Facebook followers: 2,514

Twitter followers: 220

3.2 Volunteers (M. Adams): Noted that many HMRRC events are struggling for volunteers. Asked that the Winter Series begin capping times, as is done for the half marathon and marathon, to avoid having volunteers out there in cold temperatures for excessively long periods of time. Have started having separate lines/signs at the WS day-of-race sign-ups, for efficiency and to ensure that nonmembers are paying the race fee.

3.3 Public Relations (R. Moore): HMRRC has again been invited to have a booth on March 5 and 6 at the ADK Sports and Fitness Spring/Summer Expo; needs a volunteer coordinator for the event. He sent out press releases regarding the Winter Series.

3.4 Race Committee (J. Rocco):

Winter Series:

Winter Series #1: Held on December 13. 422 finishers: 187 in the 3-mile (a record, besting the 186 participants in this race in 2012), and 235 in the 15K. In total, up 17 from last year. Thanks to Bart Trudeau for directing.

Winter Series #2: Held on New Year's Day. 569 finishers (down 34 from last year: 266 in the Bill Hogan 3.5M race and 303 in the Hangover Half. Thanks to Vincent Wenger and Dave Gilson for directing.

Winter Series #3: Held Sunday, January 10. Due to the forecast of 100 percent rain—and the forecasters called it right—numbers were down 40 percent from 2015. 148 runners: 63 in the 3-mile, 108 in the 10K, and 49 in the 25K. Seeing the forecast earlier in the week, OGS had hinted that they would cancel. Jon advised them that no ice was expected, since temperatures were predicted to be in the high 40s to low 50s, and that we do run in the rain.

Upcoming: Winter Series #4: Sunday, January 17, and Winter Series #5 on Sunday, January 31 (the 10-mile race is a HMRRC Grand Prix event).

Sponsorship: Following Winter Series #1 and before Winter Series #2, Maureen Cox secured sponsorship from Hannaford for the remainder of the winter races. A \$500 gift card will be used to cover fruit, cookies, and incidental refreshments not covered by Bountiful Bread. Thanks to Maureen and to Hannaford.

Food collected: At WS# 1, 149 lb. of food was collected.

CDPHP Workforce Challenge

First planning meeting to be held February 3. We are still seeking coordinators for the 2016 race: Corporate Sponsors Coordinator, Course Entertainment Coordinator, Team Captain Coordinator, and Event Set-Up Coordinator. An e-mail blast was sent out, but no responses, or few responses, were received.

Grand Prix

Letters have been sent out to the 2015 Grand Prix winners and to the 2015 Extra Mile recipients. Sizes are being secured so apparel items can be awarded to the winners of the Grand Prix.

Other Notes

—Renewed HMRRC's USATF membership for 2016, because HMRRC's race insurance is through USATF.

—Jon Rocco prepared a table indicating numbers of participants for all HMRRC races, 2012–2015

- 3.5 Race Committee Treasurer (C. Sliwinski): Please see attached report. SEFCU and Half/Marathon reports are complete. Going forward, Cathy Sliwinski will be paying all race bills out of a single race account. Race directors have been submitting budgets to Cathy and will submit bills to her; race directors will prepare race reports after the race. Quickbooks has been very helpful in tracking expenses.
- 3.6 Pace Setter (E. Neiles): The new HMRRC website will be online as of January 19.
- 3.7 Conflicts Committee (R. Newkirk): No report
- 3.8 Safety Committee (VACANT): No report
- 3.9 Grants Committee (R. Newkirk): No report
- 3.10 Long Range Planning Committee (E. Neiles): No report
- 3.11 Just Run Program (K. Skinner): No report

4. Unfinished Business: HMRRC wrote a letter, dated December 11, 2015, to the president of USATF ADK saying that the \$3,000 line item for the USATF Grand Prix series amount was eliminated, in the interest of balancing the HMRRC budget, but that USATF is welcome to apply for a grant. Discussion followed about whether HMRRC events will continue to be USATF championship events if HMRRC is unable to financially sponsor USATF Grand Prix.

5. New Business: USATF approached HMRRC about subleasing office space and using the club van. The point was raised that the lease needs to be checked to see if subleasing is allowed, and that the van insurance policy needs to be reviewed.

6. Announcements: Marcia Adams will bring refreshments next month.

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn, made by Marcia Adams. Seconded by Chris Nowak at 9:28 p.m.