



P.O. Box 655 Lebanon, New Jersey 08833

**2016 Annual General Membership Meeting
February 2, 2017**

Members Present: Colin Saville, Cyrena Terricone, Beverly Atkinson, Becca Mazzolla, Valerie Mathews, Rachael Wild, Dave Brown, Chris Franklin, Dennis Schmatz, Ron Palikowski, Ed Leydon, Jim Hardin, Kathy Hale, Richie Ernst

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm by Becca Mazzolla, President

Agenda

1. President's Report

- Thank you to the United Way for allowing us to use their Community room, to Todd Terricone for catering our meeting, and to everyone who baked for or brought beverages to the meeting
- Becca will be stepping down as President but she thanks everyone for allowing her to serve the Club for the last three years
- In 2016 the Club volunteered at a number of events:
 - o Girls on the Run (Flemington and New Hope)
 - o River to Sea Relay (Ed Leydon & Greg Sumner)
 - o Clinton Township Country Run – the Club manned its usual water table
- Opportunities for 2017
 - o Kim Haris asked us to support the Run 'O the Mill on March 11 by bringing our banner and promoting the race to our club
 - o A local organization is organizing a half marathon along the Columbia Trail. Chris Franklin will look into this to get more details
 - o Girls on the Run has introduced an equivalent program for boys called Let me Run. They are looking for male role models and coaches

2. Vice President's Report

- Statistics from 2016:
 - o 52 Sunday runs – 30 routes, 14 done more than once, 8 hosted by HRH runners
 - o Joint run with Rose City Runners
 - o Pie Run (18 participants)



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- Forward look to 2017:
 - o Is the club interested in a Spring version of the Pie Run starting from Bundt Park?
 - o Faherty's annual run will be held on Sunday, February 26
 - o Beast run on Father's Day
 - o Pub Run to be held in July
- Other Topics
 - o Chris has HRH car magnets which are free of charge to all members
 - o Beverly noted that the anniversary of John Fischer's death is February 9

3. Treasurer's Report

- Budget and Expenses for 2016
 - o We started 2016 with \$2,720 and ended the year with \$189
 - o The larger expenses were 2 years of Road Runners Dues & Insurance paid in 2016 (prepay for 2017), which totaled an additional \$476. We also paid out \$725 in race sponsorships and contributions, a higher amount than is typical
- Proposed Budget for 2017
 - o We are starting with \$189 and the projected ending balance is \$69
 - o The ending balance will be augmented by a yet-unknown amount donated from R2C for 2016 volunteer efforts by our club
 - o Suggestions for 2017: Be more aggressive about collecting member dues. Send out an email after this meeting asking for dues. Mention at the start of the Saturday and Sunday runs that 2017 dues is being collected. Chris will get a new Runner's Warehouse discount code for the year and it will only be sent out to paying members
 - o The membership accepted the 2017 budget.
- Other Items
 - o Kathy Hale questioned whether we should pay dues to USATF if we don't field a racing team. This is a valid question but others feel that it offers good visibility to the Club to be listed on USATF's website
 - o Rachael Wild asked whether we pay Todd Terricone for his services. Per Cyrena, all food made for the Club is done so at cost with the exception of the catering of the annual meeting, when he rolls in a small fee.

4. Secretary's Report

- Member / New Member Status



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- We had 73 members in 2016, 12 honorary, 61 paying
- We gained 17 new members and lost 20 existing members
- Many of the members that did not renew in 2016 were new in 2015. We need to brainstorm ways to make them feel welcome and keep them running with us
- The Board has voted to approve Jim and Kathy Crossin as honorary members. Valerie will send them an email letting them know

5. Social Director's Report

- Cyrena thanked everyone who hosted a Sunday run and welcomes anyone who wishes to host in 2017
- The Terricones hosted 2 Sunday runs and provided food and beverages for our Guest Runner Days
- Among many previously-mentioned social activities held in 2016, she and Kathy Hale successfully planned a 2016 joint run with Rose City Runners and is trying to arrange a group run with Raritan Valley Runners in 2017

6. Officer Nominations

- With the exception of Vice-President and Social Director, all other existing officers are looking to either step down from the Board or fill alternate positions. Below is the list of current nominees:
 - i. President - Dave Brown
 - ii. Vice President - Chris Franklin
 - iii. Secretary - Becca Mazzolla
 - iv. Treasurer - Valerie Mathews
 - v. Social Director – Cyrena Terricone
 - vi. Member-at-Large - Ron Pawlikowski
- All in Favor of the proposed Officers & Directors.
- Thank you to Ed for his many years of service on the Board, and welcome to Ron Pawlikowski
- Ed will continue to organize the annual dinner at the Ship Inn in Milford. He is looking at March 19 for 2017. We need a better way to arrange payment as the Club paid \$73 last year to settle the bill

7. Additional Business

- Daylight Savings Time. March 18th will be the first Saturday when we move back to Bundt Park, starting at 7:30am
- HRH has a new Banner Flag



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- Car magnets were purchased and all paying members will receive one, see Chris Franklin
- Baseball caps and Beanies are on sale for \$10 each, see Cyrena
- We would like to make a donation to the United Way for the use of the room. The amount will be determined at the next Board meeting
- Valerie will look into another clothing order with Sneakers Plus. Other clothing options mentioned are zip-up sweatshirts and sweat pants
- We are looking for creative ideas for alternate runs such as a Full Moon run or a trail run in the dark
- Kathy Hale suggested that we make sure all events make it to our Facebook page
- Beverly commented that you can set up your Facebook account to get notified whenever someone posts something to the HRH site
- Kathy Hale mentioned that anyone who wants to race with Rose City can join. You would also need to join Rose City and the USATF
- Valerie is now doing the Results. Please notify her when you have an upcoming race

Meeting adjourned at 8:55pm