



Stevens Creek Striders

Minutes of the Board of Stevens Creek Striders

Date: October 20, 2009

Present Board Members: Peggy, Penny, Gene, Peter, Lina, Gregg, Mike Dhuey

Present Members: Mike Shields, Tom

Location: Tom's House

(*) Indicates Action Item

1. Approval of September minutes

- a. Approved

2. Treasurers Report

- a. Mike reported a cash balance of \$2,392.88
- b. Clambake money to Club was \$63.30
- c. Membership dues received \$1,055
- d. Per Peggy there is additional clambake monies due (\$15.00)

3. Club Activities:

a. Yosemite Hiking Trip (August 21 – 23)

- a. Gene owes \$15.00

b. Christmas Party (12/12)

- a. Church has been paid \$500 reservation fee.
- b. Mike Shields to put sign up on website
- c. Mike Dhuey will be providing music
- d. Lina indicated that she will have to schedule a party at Sports Basement if we expect them to again donate Christmas Party gifts.
- e. There will be no White Elephant and the cost will be the same as last year.
- f. Peggy, Penny and Lina will review alternatives for entertainment.
- g. Awards – proposed new award for Strider Service, other awards discussed.

4. Western States Last Chance Aid Station Update

- a. Lina had nothing to report.

5. Newsletter

- a. Gregg is gathering articles with an end-October deadline.

6. Any Other Business

- a. Website – Mike reports website in good shape
- b. Turkey Trot relays – board approved \$100 for gifts at the last meeting. A possible Hobee's certificate was discussed.
- c. Gregg questioned using the website to advertise to new members.
- d. Western States, Lina had nothing to report.



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- e. Trail maintenance – Peggy said she would find out the schedule. We hope to mount two events annually.

7. Striders WS selection process

- a. As the Striders run one of the aid stations at this annual race, the club is able to nominate a runner each year to participate if they fail to get in by the lottery process. After a commitment in August 2008, after the forest fires forced the cancellation of that year's race, the board invited comments from the membership and recently reviewed the selection process.
- b. After much deliberation a secret ballot was taken between:
 - i. A lottery system where the chances of winning are improved by increased Striders service. 3 votes.
 - ii. Points system based on Striders service. Ties resolved by a draw. 4 votes.
 - iii. Selection by board discussion without out predetermined criteria. Close contenders resolved by a draw. 1 vote.
- c. Then a vote was taken on whether to adopt a set of criteria put forward by a non-board member. Adopted 7 votes for, nil against, no abstentions.
- d. So the following system is now in effect.

After having notified the board of their desire to be considered for the entry having applied and failed to get a place in the race, points will be allotted to contenders on the criteria listed below. The member with the highest number of points will be given the entry. In the event of a tie, the entry would be allotted from a draw from the names of those tying. The entry is not transferable by the winning entrant. If the entrant decides not to enter the race, the board would put forward the next highest point applicant and so on.

- a) Stevens Creek Striders currently paid up member: 1 point
- b) Last Chance aid station worker: 1 point for each of previous 5 years, max 3.
- c) Quicksilver aid station worker: 1 point for each of previous 5 years, max 2.
- d) Last Change aid station captain: 1 point for each of previous 5 years, max 3. (In addition to Last Chance worker points).
- e) Quicksilver aid station captain: 1 point for each of previous 5 years, max 2. (In addition to Quicksilver worker points).
- f) Board member: 1 point for each of previous 5 years, max 3.
- g) Never won Striders' WS entry, 1 point.

- 8. **The next meeting** is on 11/24/09 at Tom's house. The meeting adjourned around 9:48 pm.