

Falmouth Track Club

Board of Directors Meeting September 15, 2015

The Board of Directors Meeting of the Falmouth Track Club was held at the Falmouth Track Club Office on September 15, 2015. Present were Mike Falcone, Jim Preisig, Tom Davis, Carl Gustafson, Jen McKay, Courtney Bird, Doris Beatty, John Banner, Julie Waite, Matt Auger, Leslie DiAngelis, Helen Kennedy, Kevin and Gloria Leach, Russ Pelletier.

President's Report- Kevin Leach – Congratulations to Carl Gustafson as his about to finish his 51st marathon! Carl started this quest in 1991 and has done 14 marathons this year! Great job!

Vice President's Report – Jack Carroll – No report given

Secretary's Report –Gloria Leach- The minutes from the August 27, 2015 meeting were presented and accepted.

Treasurer's Report – Mike Falcone- If reimbursements are needed send an email to Kevin or Mike and after approval, a check will be issued on the 15th and 30th of each month. This is hopefully to cut back on Judy's time spent and us having to pay her for extra time she would have to put in on a daily basis. Please make sure the date and year is put on your request so we can keep track of this and If someone needs money at other times than the 15th or 30th, it will certainly happen. Deposits from races held in 2014 and 2015 are still missing.

Membership – Doris Beatty- reported 321 total members as of this date for 2015-2016. 298 memberships will expire in 2015 and 23 memberships will expire in 2016.

Web Site/On Line Services-Julie Waite-updating the website. There was a discussion about going with an on line company for the registration for the Cape Cod Trail Race. "Chronetrack" was brought up along with "Sign Me Up Sports". Will have to look into the particulars for each company to see what the best deal would be and also would it be worth using one company for all of our races?

Seagull Six –Mike Norton –No report given

Main Street Mile-Tom Davis-There were 248 registered runners with 168 pre-registered.

- Frank Shorter ran the race and did a speech to the participants
- Rory Jenkins was out with a stress fracture but volunteered at the race
- Sarah Edwards rolled her ankle on Friday prior to the race and was unable to run
- Judy Critzer ran the race this year and came in 4th in the Masters. A gift will be given to her
- Each participant was given 2 raffle tickets
- We will be going back to 1 heat next year, too much confusion at the start, more signage needed at the start.
- No strollers next year
- Would like to move the race to September 18th for next year. **Motion made and accepted to move the date of the MSM to September 18, 2016.**

Cape Cod Trail Race-Carl Gustafson-Trail race and the track workouts are both going well

Cape Cod Marathon- Matt Auger-There are 612 registered runners in the marathon, which is 174 runners down from last year at this time.

- The course will not be changing
- The Half Shell Challenge is not going to happen this year. Not enough interest.
- The Palmer Ave. bridge will be reopened the week of the marathon
- We will no longer be going to Lawrence School for food, too inconvenient for runners and there was a lot of extra food left over last year. Lawrence School has not been released yet as we are checking into tent rentals from Taylor Rentals
- We will be using tents, seating 250 people, to set up for food and hoping we can set up somewhere downtown, possibly on the driveway of the Museums on the Green. The total for the tents and food will be approximately \$5,000. Looking into tents for massages, general information
- New marathon app on "Race Joy" with a GPS tracker with runner tracking
- Meeting tomorrow evening with race committee and will get more information at that time as to where we stand
- It was suggested by Mike Falcone that Matt put a flyer in this year's goodie bags promoting the Half Shell Challenge for next year

Oversight Committee-Jim Preisig-No report given

Wednesday Track Workouts-Carl Gustafson-Going well

Newsletter-Carl Gustafson-

Coffee O-Ken Gartner-No report given

Youth Track-Ken Gartner-Youth running taking off lately, after recent 5K Dave Lewis race and the MSM we have a lot of new kids some of them are very fast. It seems the group is being noticed and I think it is largely due to the good results and fast times some of these kids are posting out there, plus more importantly, the kids are having fun. We may now have a 4-5 full five person teams at the fall USATF races, far more than I originally anticipated. Some of these teams should do very well. We need to order uniforms, I think this year we will go with singlets and shorts and maybe have sweatshirts optionally. Last year we just went with t-shirts. I figure we can place the order with the club, it may be 30 or more uniforms and then the kids buy them from the club. I would order a few extras as well to have on hand. Last year we handled it all ourselves and it didn't go through the club. Not sure if we will go with maroon, blue or a separate color, they will say FTC Youth Running, or something of that nature. I will have to work soon with Julie and get an informational web site thing going so I don't have to keep emailing all these people a bunch of information. I'm hoping we can get a separate youth running sub site like we have for the Main Street Mile and the Seagull Six. Our next event will be the Wayland Cross Country Race on Columbus Day weekend. This was our first cross country race 2 years ago and we were kind of overwhelmed at how fast the other kids were and our kids kind of finished in the mid pack of a large group of kids from all over New England. This year we actually have hopes of winning 2 of the races but certainly will place very well regardless. Lawrence School will be doing cross country this year for the first time, it is funded by a Road Race grant. I hope to keep helping them out and hopefully our 2 programs will benefit each other. It looks like we will have 3 youth teams at the marathon relay as well.

Youth Running Program-Jim Preisig-Working with schools to get things started for this year

Race Timing-Courtney Bird- Next race timing event is the Jingle Jog in December. Russ Pelletier asked FTC to donate \$250 to the Jingle Jog. Perhaps by cutting our standard timing fees in half. Courtney Bird recommended that we change the full fee for accounting purposes, but donate the \$250. A motion was made to sponsor the Jingle Jog for \$250 and voted for unanimously.

Members at Large-John Banner and Paul DiAngelis-6 out of 7 students that got FTC scholarships sent thank you notes.

Special Events-Jen McKay- Only 8 people signed up for the Red Sox game so we cancelled. The golf tournament went well. Coordination will be made with CCAC for a softball game in October. October 4th was recommended due to the Patriots having a bye week.

New Business-Leslie DiAngelis brought a proposal to work with Project Sole. This comes at no cost to the club. We would collect used shoes throughout the year and donate them to Project Sole to be reused by people in need. The FTC get \$2 for every pair donated. The money collected would go to the FTC general budget. A motion was made to try this and seconded. Everyone present voted for it.

Old Business- Julie brought up the concern that the grant program applications may not be able to be accepted with the current deadline of December 1 based on the current club finances. While the club gave out grants last year, even though it was a deficit year, it would be in our best interest not to do so again. It was left that it would be determined at the next meeting, based on the Marathon's anticipated income, if the grant deadline would remain as December 1 or be pushed back to February 1, 2016, though the possibility of not being able to fund the program at all this cycle.

Meeting adjourned at ? pm