

Falmouth Track Club

Board of Directors Meeting
October 25, 2016

The Board of Directors Meeting of the Falmouth Track Club was held at the Falmouth Track Club Office on October 25, 2016. Present were Helen Kennedy, Tom Davis, Jill Polvinen, Courtney Bird, Carl Gustafson, Jack Carroll, Jennifer McKay, Paul DiAngelis, Kevin and Gloria Leach

President- Kevin Leach – There has been a lot of misunderstanding from the beginning on what we agreed upon and we have to be more clear on this and move forward from here on. We are here to reconsider the motion that was passed on the 10/13/2016 meeting where a motion was made, seconded and passed to allow one beer per runner only and to runners only.

Vice President – Jack Carroll – There were misunderstandings on what we agreed upon. It is better to have a point by point discussion on what we are agreeing on. We depend on the CCM to sustain the FTC. I respect Carl's opinions, a vote was taken, it is not unusual for a reconsideration of votes. The adults that are running have to be responsible for themselves, there is a risk in what we are doing. The town gave us a permit for the license to sell beer and there will be medical staff at the Beer Garden.

Courtney Bird- We have the best interest of the club at heart, there is validity to both sides with legitimate concerns. We should have explored more carefully in March what we were approving and define what we are approving, we need to define issues before agreeing on them.

Tom Davis- I started investigating on the beer in March, April meeting postponed to May meeting, the September meeting with Cisco initially was to donate 1800 beers to the Beer Garden. The beer was not donated, FTC purchased the beer and since we are a private club, we can determine the pricing of the beer.

Carl Gustafson-There are health concerns in long distance running. I have many concerns on this issue. I am asking the Board to reconsider the original motion.

Helen Kennedy-We have the right to respectfully disagree with each other, we are all friends, we have to move forward. We are trying to provide more amenities to the runners, FTC takes pride in what we do and we do it right with safeguards in place, just another amenity.

**The motion to reconsider the motion that passed on 10/13/2016, passed by a 9-4 margin
Of the 2 options presented, regarding distribution of beer at the Beer Garden, Option 2 was chosen by
a 9-4 margin**

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm

On October 26, 2016 the following note was sent to the BOD from Kevin Leach

I want to thank everyone who attended the meeting last night. Given all that has transpired over the past 12 days I thought it was an extremely productive meeting from the standpoint of those in attendance, being willing to listen, and respect the differing perspectives and opinions that surfaced over the past 12 days. It was obvious to me that folks truly care about our club AND that we can respectfully disagree with one another on certain issues, but at the same time be respectful to and understanding of one another. This is important to me. Thank you to everyone for the discussion and behaviors that were exhibited last night. It was awesome.

We have 16 Board positions. The majority of the time we ARE unanimous in our voting and it is easy. This was one of the few instances during my tenure as president, that our Board was so strongly divided over an issue, I cannot remember a more contentious one. Given claims of agenda protocol, last minute changes, and bylaw violations, I truly believe we did the right thing in allowing ALL of our members to determine the outcome of how we wanted this event handled. In my mind, it was not right to do it any other way. I realize and respect that not everyone agrees with my decision.

We currently have 15 Board members. Our newest member excused himself from voting, leaving us with 14 Board members to vote. 10 members were in attendance and voted and 3 members voted via email, and one member did not vote. The results of the vote are shown below:

The vote to reconsider the motion that passed on 10/13/2016, passed by a 9-4 margin

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Thank you everyone,
Kevin