

Falmouth Track Club November Board Meeting FTC Office, Falmouth, MA

Present: Matt Auger, Jack Carroll, Leslie DiAngelis, Glenn Pokraka, Jack Afarian, Mary Tolland, Ken Gartner, Lindsay Benson

7:00 PM meeting called to order

Public Discussion - None

Disposition of Meeting Minutes - Amended minutes accepted as written.

Officer Reports

President - No new info

VP - send out message to membership about candidates for election with link to form. Annual Meeting will be held on January 7th, 2020.

Boston waivers - may be changing. BAA will be providing fewer club waivers in 2020.

Treasurer - October financials sent via email prior to meeting. Summary information for annual meeting provided. Will be updated to reflect financials through 12/31.

Matt proposed to draft a check for \$500 for the VIPS Elementary Track Meet. BOD agreed. FTC will be providing timing clock & cones.

Secretary - not present. Report sent via email prior to meeting.

Marathon Update - Need to clarify "last weekend in October." In 2020, 10/31 is a Saturday.

Last FULL weekend in October is 10/25-10/26. 2020 race weekend will be 10/25-10/26.

In 2021, bridge at Menauhant Road (between Davisville & Central) will be closed during marathon weekend. Jack has reached out to DPW to begin planning for 2021. Jack will monitor to make sure that it will not affect 2020.

Police recommended change to marathon route on Worcester Court - take Worcester Court route on the way back, instead of out. Difficulties with cruiser not able to go the wrong way down Worcester Court.

Central Ave. was not blocked off. Was supposed to be blocked off to traffic except residents.

Police are recommending that the direction of the marathon is changed. Runners go toward Woods Hole first. May cause congestion on the bike path, but would alleviate congestion on Central.

Jack would like to keep the course the same for 2020, because it was changed in 2019 and will have to be changed again in 2021 due to the construction on Menauhant Road.

Possibility of changing start time of half marathon from 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM. Too much set-up is happening in the dark. Won't have significant impact on Rec soccer. Police recommendation is to start at 8. Would provide consistency in start times between the two events.

Race Raves voted the half as the best half in Massachusetts.

Have not heard back from USATF about marathon championship. Vermont City & Bay State have also submitted bids.

Need more road signs in 2020 to pre-warn drivers about the race. Matt would like to see branded signage. Will need signs that say: "Saturday," "Sunday," and "Saturday and Sunday."

No date. Large enough font that it can be easily read from a vehicle. Include time of day?

One runner removed from results due to timing anomaly. Initially disqualified, but after further investigation, it appears that the runner did not attend the race, and her bib tag was picked up when a friend carrying her race gear walked past the finish area.

Old Business

Office Committee - no update

New Business

Proposed Fun Run Schedule

December 1, December 14, January 11, January 26, February 9, February 23, March 8, March 22, April 4, April 26

Initial email will be sent by Matt with all dates listed.

Email updates will be sent prior to each event.

Matt will create a Google Doc for BOD members to sign up to host.

Need to create course(s).

Youth Program Update

Junior Olympics were held this weekend. 3 FTC kids advanced to regionals.

Meeting adjourned 8:18