

**Falmouth Running Club
Monthly Meeting Agenda
April 12, 2022**

- Called to Order at 7:03pm

Attendees: Jack Afarian, Mary Tolland, Steve Morris, Steve Rondeau, Matt Auger, Chris Langlais, Ken Gartner

- **Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes**
 - Motion made to approve March meeting Minutes; motion seconded. Meeting minutes approved.
- **Member Open Comments (5 minutes)**
- **Officer Reports**
 - Jack** – lots to talk about, lots of races in spring. Details to follow. All in good shape.
 - Ken** – Friday night is going well
 - Chris** – net profit income is little over \$10k. \$229k balance. No cd's – no liabilities – PPP has been forgiven – all is good.
 - Kathy** –
- **On-Going Business**
 - **Seagull 6 Update – Mike Norton**

200+ runners – with a net profit \$1800. Henry Gartner won. Good start to racing come back. Nice article in paper. Ken took pics and said people in area were not informed that a race was going to happen. We will let neighbors know next year before the event
 - **Cape Cod Trail Race Update – Matt Auger**

62 runners so far. 30 are registered for the 10k, 32 are registered for the 20k. Signage coming. The need for volunteers is still open – Mashpee track team is in limbo. Will have to reach out to membership. Derek (Timer) will number the participants for bibs. The Long and The Longer races. Let's get this race done and see how it goes for the future. There will be low profile signage on course. We need to let bikers know that

there'll be race. Someone will reach out to Denny Grant (biker). We'll lay low on this race. The start line is different than finish line so the Timer will need to know this. Matt would like BOD to come by and see how it goes. It's an 8am start. We are still waiting on Jack in the Beanstalk for bananas (will be sharing with WRCC5k)

- o **WRCC 5K Update – Mary Tolland**

Directing is an adventure. Waiting on Site Services for port-a-potties. So far can't get a sponsor for water/snacks. Banner will be ordered soon (gold & silver sponsors will be on banner). Raffles are coming in. Bib pick up will be at Aquatic Brewing from 12-3 on Sat May 7.

Jack – 1 male has signed up for our women's race. Wording on website is intended for women/girls – trying not to make a big deal out of this issue. We will downplay it this year.

Timing is flat rate plus fees. Matt says Stop & Shop is very accommodating for water, etc. Mary will reach out.

Volunteerism is going well. Race start is at 8am

- o **Surf Drive Mile Update – Jack Afarian**

Lindsey Mahoney is the new Race Director. Baystate Timing is timing the race. All races are on Race Roster (including the marathon). We will have 200 T-shirts for first 200 that sign up and they are being donated by USA Racing. Ashworth Awards is donating 250 medals for kids. May have to have different color bibs for kids so volunteers know who gets a medal. Race is schedule for 5/22/22 and we have 64 runners so far. Flyer will go out to schools soon.

- o **Cape Cod Marathon Update – Jack Afarian**

Approved! Pole banners may be an issue. We will most likely need to adjust them higher on the poles. We are working with the DPW to handle issue. Approval issues were based on the fix of the Menahaunt road area where runners are running both sides of the road. Police agreed that runners will now have to be on one side of the road only. Youth flag football was an issue with parking at the Heights field, where there is also a Relay Team transition, but they moved to Trotting Park.

Shirts will be the same as last year with the color reversing and the logos will be white. The medals will match the shirts. 1750 participants so far with 1200 of them being deferrals from 2021. Deferrals must register by 6/30/22. 59% of deferrals have registered already. Jack is working with Lindsay Benson on FB Ads to attract runners that don't know about us.

- **Youth Running - Ken**

Will start in the summer. Jack – is what Henry does considered a part of youth running? Ken – any kid that is in the program should reap benefits of what we offer. Most kids are High School age. The program works well in summer because in the Fall it conflicts with other sports. The Preising's are planning on doing summer camp this year. There also might be a Wednesday night weekly low-key youth track meet (this is still in initial discussions)
- **Open House at 661 Main Street FRC Office – All**

Schedule for 4/28/22 from 6-8pm. We reached out to Wolf Pizza with an estimated amount of 80 attendees but the price was \$3500 – Should we adjust our count or go with someone else? Parking will be issue. We will have more merchandise to sell.
- **Boston Long Run**

9 runners participated. Went well. Everyone enjoyed it.
- **Paul White Road Race – Steve Morris**

FRC will help if needed. They have volunteers and a Timer in place. They will need barriers (to get from FRR). They seem to have everything under control. Race is slated for the 2nd Saturday in July.
- **Litter Free Falmouth Donation Request - Jack**

FRC was to donate \$150. But they cannot accept it.
- **New Business**
 - **FRC Budget - Jack**

\$32K net for marathon (guesstimate).
Our 4 spring races will most likely be a wash.

Office is the big expense. How do we handle donations? Youth Running and Women's Fitness programs get donations and use, spend the donations. Do we use the unspent donation money on other club activities or hold the money that is not spent for certain programs? Do we, as a club, allocate a certain dollar amount each year for programs. Ken – the principal is that if money is given for certain programs, it should remain solely for that program. We as insiders can make changes at any time but the donators may not find it to be kosher. Chris – many clubs set up certain accounts/restricted for certain use. Maybe we should have line items that state donation funds. We need to make a policy on how donations should be managed.

There will be an expo at marathon and hopefully at FRR. Club may lose \$ this year.

- **VIPS Track Meet – Jack**

 - **Global Running Day (June 1) – Kathy**
FRC to host a low key run most likely at 5:30pm (Wednesday night) – maybe work with Aquatic if they are open

 - **Aquatic Brew Pizza - Jack**
The weekly pizza donation is starting to cost the club \$75 each week. Do we continue? Crowds are big (25 or so) Do we change to 1x per month or change to a different pizza maker (Papa Gino's)? BOD agreed to stop for summer and reevaluate in the fall. Last day for pizzas will be 5/15/22.

 - **Other Stuff - ?**
- Meeting Adjournment at 8:20pm