

Minutes Board of Directors Meeting December 14, 2020 (6pm) By Videoconference

Board members present: Casey Urschel, Patrick Morrison, Geoff Rose, Kristin Braud, Pat Driscoll, Lori Gaston, Jason Joubert, Roy Lissarague, Ashley Rosenberry, Randy Schmidt, Amanda Villemarette, Joey Yanosky, Lenetra Jefferson, Sylvia Kamp, Tony Margherio, Fred Ruckert, J.J. Waguespack

Not Present: Chloe Nicolosi, Mike North, April Thomas, Heidi Lovett, Vicky Morales, Mary White

Also Present: Bob Lanteigne

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of November 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

- Motion to accept minutes by P. Morrison, seconded by R. Lissarague
- Motion passed unanimously (with note to amend November 2020 Board Meeting Minutes to reflect as per Fred Ruckert as he was absent from the November 9, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting)

Correspondence: Mike North (resignation), Chloe Nicolosi

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

- Current funds in the bank = \$1.14 million (effective end of 11/2020)
- Loss for month of 11/2020: \$1368
- Current fiscal year loss: \$21,400
- Final Bill for Cross Country received (grass cutting for 2020 season): \$3900; Budgeted previously for at \$3500; Treasurer proposed motion to vote for Board approval in \$400 increase in this budget item. Geoff Rose proposed motion, seconded by J.J. Waguespack, and motion was unanimously approved.

President's Report

- Permit information: C. Urschel advised Jefferson Parish still operating at 150 participant limit (with regard to state/city guidelines for events/re-opening) with brief discussion on CCC Christmas Run 12/2020 that had over 1000 participants (no post-race party here and possible options for exceptions here on how NOTC can use different ways to operate races for the future with guidelines safety in mind for all). Discussion on meeting with St. Bernard Officials for Jackson Day 2021 this week regarding race regarding permit, COVID protocols, alcohol permits with Board members Patrick Morrison and Randy Schmidt might too attend.
- Diversity Council (UNO D&J Workshop 1/12/20 and 1/14/20, \$25.00 fee per person for those interested in participating, with additional thanks to the members of the Board who are participating with a focus on more educational opportunities.
- Secretary: Lori Gaston was requested by the President to fill in as Secretary for Board

of Directors Meeting on 12/14/2020 (in lieu of Mike North's resignation, please note per Robert's Rules in Board minutes per Fred Ruckert). Discussion by President that he would share Mike North's resignation with Board of Directors (from our by laws, Article VIII) and per Mike North's request. Discussion by President that position of Secretary not be filled at 12/14/2020 meeting.

Discussion by President regarding new shirt order with NOTC logo for existing Board members. Kristen Braud volunteered to assist regarding this matter.

Executive Race Director: Discussion by President of notification to Board from Chloe Nicolosi she would not be participating as Executive Race Director in OMR on 12/12/2020 due to safety concerns and the position open for a new Race Director for production of future races.

Notification of passing of long-time NOTC member Dudley Stadler, III.

EXECUTIVE RACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT (provided by Vice President, Patrick Morrison)

- **Ole Man River 10K & 5K 2020 - December 12, 2020**
175 registered/102 finishers;
No after party, no race day registration;
Staggered start times and waves; low turnout due to weather/rain;
Profit of \$3000;
Favorable participation with regard to state/city guidelines focus on safety for event.
- **Jackson Day 2021**
Registration is now open; Permits being finalized this week with St. Bernard not capping the race participants;
54 registered, with discussion from Fred Ruckert that 18 of these participants from the Jackson Day 2020 (cancelled race) received \$10 off per participant for this year's race. Fred Ruckert advised Jackson Day 2020 race shirts are still not accounted for.
Vice President proposed motion to vote for Randy Schmidt to be made Volunteer Race Director for Jackson Day 2021. Motion was seconded by Geoff Rose and motion was unanimously approved.
- **March/April races**
Discussion to remove Mardi Gras 5K by President due to uncertainty of holiday and timing of race, state/city guidelines. Bob Lanteigne requested to modify date/race on NOTC website with option proposed for Roy Lissarague to produce this race (based on pending updates for Family Gras in Jefferson Parish).

Standing Committee Reports

Special Committee Reports

Unfinished Business

New Business

Race Director job posting: Chloe Nicolosi's departure and job now ready to start interviews to fill this position. Lenetra Jefferson proposed motion to vote for Board approval to hire a Race Director for a temporary/part-time 3 to 6 month position with an option for a permanent position (on a full-time basis). Motion was seconded by Jason Joubert, but noted to indicate language should note it as a part-time contractual position. President advised up to Board to

approve contract and who will be hired. Jason Joubert made motion to close discussion. Motion passed with Amanda Villemarette abstaining.

Need for a new Equipment Manager: Discussion that Joey Yanosky will serve as Equipment Manager. Discussion from Fred Ruckert that Joey Y. will need to get compensated and if he accepts position he will have to resign from Board. Discussion tabled until next Board meeting.

Coaching/Spring Training Program: Jason Joubert proposed a Spring Training Program in conjunction with Spring NOTC races and/or CCC. Pat Driscoll advised participants from the Fall Training Program were thrilled to be out there and thanked those Board members and coaches that participated in this program. January 2021 through May 2021 proposal as an option with feedback and greater participation from Board members. Promoting fitness as a level of responsibility as part of NOTC's mission with dates and times to be discussed. Kristen Braud advised further options exist to extend getting participants involved in local run groups such as Guido's, LRC, and others.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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ADJOURNMENT