

Helena Vigilante Runners

Board Meeting #18

Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2012

I. Call to order

Patrick Judge called to order the 18th meeting of the Helena Vigilante Runners at 7:02 pm on February 20, 2012 at 107 W. Lawrence, 2nd Floor conference room.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present:

Patrick Judge, President
Chris Colberg, Treasurer
Mike Jacobson, Secretary
Chris Beskid, Board Member
Carolyn Blasch, Board Member
Mike Fanning, Board Member
Ann Seifert, Board Member
Scott Story, Board Member
Demaris Taylor, Board Member
Alan Wintersteen, Board Member
Todd Younkin, Board Member

Regrets:

Jeff Thomas, Vice President
Sarah Slanger, Board Member
Brian Wieck, Board Member

Others Present:

Samsara Chapman
Erik Makus

III. Minutes

Mike Jacobson moved for approval of the minutes of the December 19, 2011 meeting. Todd Yonkin seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

IV. Financial Report

Treasurer Chris Colberg presented financial statements showing a 2011 year-end cash balance of approximately \$2,500. In general, the organization appears to be in a healthy financial position. Chris provided an overview of the financials and a review of the base budget. Please see attached Financial Report.

V. Action Items

President Judge and Secretary Jacobson presided over the board election. Current members briefly discussed nominees, then provided ballots to Secretary Jacobson for tally. The election resulted in 3

new board members: Samsara Chapman, Tammy LaVigne and Erik Makus. Sarah Slanger and Jeff Thomas were reelected to the board.

Secretary Jacobson then presided over the officer election, which resulted in Pat Judge reelected as President, Jeff Thomas as Vice President, Chris Colberg as Treasurer and Carolyn Blasch as Secretary.

VI. State Charitable Giving Campaign

HVR will receive SCGC contributions of \$361.90 on May 9, 2012.

VII. Blackfoot Community Night

Scott Story submitted the application for the Blackfoot Community Night, and requested March 12, 2012 as the date.

VIII. Website Report

Scott Story will coordinate with Alan Wintersteen to learn how to maintain the website.

IX. Progress Reports

President Judge reported that the 2012 Calendar of Events is up to date; he will continue to add and adjust the listing as more information comes available throughout the season.

Judge also reported that the RRCA Insurance and membership roster is up to date, with 111 household members at the end of 2011. Costs were as follows (rates did not change since 2010):

RRCA Membership:	111 x \$2.27 = \$251.97
RRCA Insurance:	111 x \$2.33 = \$258.63
Mandatory Directors and Officers Insurance:	\$175
TOTAL:	\$685.60

Judge reported on the year-end clean-up of the vig listserve, which now has 185 active members.

X. Education and Outreach Committee Report

Carolyn Blasch reported that HVR is planning to provide a running clinic for late summer or early fall. She also reported that the East Helena school district has expressed interest in working with HVR on an educational clinic (or series of clinics) related to running, starting Fall 2012. This may be a source of income for the club.

Mike Fanning reported a very successful first Speaking of Running event with Dr. Steele on Feb. 2nd. The committee is planning 3 or 4 more events this spring to include talks from Dr. Kammeron Gersbach, Jane O'Driscoll and Hammer Nutrition.

Newly elected board member Samsara Chapman volunteered to serve on the Education and Outreach Committee.

XI. Race Committee Report

President Judge reported that the race committee continues to work on the Vigilante Mile & 5K to be held on May 26th. Samsara Chapman recommended coordinating with the National Day of Running (June 1st).

Judge nominated Jeff Thomas to serve as race director for the Mount Helena Classic to be held on Sept. 15th, citing his long-term involvement in the event and his willingness to take on this role (with much assistance being offered by other board members). Todd Younkin 2nd the nomination and Mr. Thomas was unanimously approved as race director.

Newly elected board member Erik Makus volunteered to serve on the Race Committee.

XII. Discussion Items

Blue Cross of Montana approached HVR requesting help with the Governor's Cup. The board discussed providing assistance for course marking and packet pickup. At this point the board is not willing to serve in the role of volunteer coordinator.

The RRCA state coordinator would like to conduct a meeting in Helena on March 24th. Pat will follow up with the state coordinator to plan the visit to Helena. Possible meeting rooms include the Lewis & Clark Brewery (upstairs) and Mountain West Bank.

Sean Connolly proposes a "City Track Meet" for grades 3-5. HVR board members strongly support this effort. Newly elected board member Samsara Chapman and President Judge will reach out to Sean. Samsara recommended working with the Parents' Council and the East Helena school district as well as checking in with letsmove.org, girlsthive, etc. Also, the middle school runners might be able to work the event.

Mike Fanning will follow up with the Independent Record to obtain more details related to the March 8th Health & Wellness Fair. Board members felt an HVR presence at the health fair may well be in keeping with its mission.

XIII. Announcements

The board expressed its deep appreciation to Mike Jacobson and Alan Wintersteen for their service.

The regularly scheduled date for the next board meeting is May 21, 2012.

XIV. Adjournment

At 8:16 pm, President Judge adjourned the meeting.

Minutes prepared by Mike Jacobson, with Pat Judge assisting.

XV. Addendum

On February 22, 2012, Mike Fanning moved that HVR participate in the Independent Record's "Health and Fitness Fair" to be held March 8, 4:00-6:00 pm at the Civic Center. This would involve an unbudgeted expense of \$60-\$65. The motion passed with support from: Beskid, Blasch, Chapman, Colberg, Fanning, Judge, Makus, Seifert, Slinger, Taylor, and Younkin. No board members expressed opposition.

On March 5, 2012, Todd Younkin moved approval of a letter of recommendation for Prickly Pear Land Trust to obtain \$75,000 in funding from Montana State Parks. Jeff Thomas seconded the motion, and it passed with support from: Beskid, Blasch, Chapman, Fanning, Judge, Makus, Seifert, Thomas, Younkin. No board members expressed opposition.

On March 19, 2012, Patrick Judge proposed the creation of two new club listserves: "edcom" for the Education and Outreach Committee and "racecom" for the Race Committee. On March 21, after hearing no objections, he proceeded to do so.

On May 3, 2012, Todd Younkin moved approval of a \$100 donation to the Helena Elementary Area Track Meet (HEAT Meet) being organized by Sean Connolly for June 3, 2012. Jeff Thomas seconded the motion, and added that we should encourage HVR members to attend, either as volunteers or enthusiastic spectators. The motion passed with support from Carolyn Blasch, Samsara Chapman, Chris Colberg, Mike Fanning, Patrick Judge, Ann Seifert, Sarah Slanger, Jeff Thomas, and Todd Younkin. No board members expressed opposition.

Due to her excellent work organizing the 2nd Annual Early Bird Run, Judge appointed Samsara Chapman to the Race Committee on May 7.