

# RunLawrence Club Meeting Minutes

## Sun, April 4, 2021

(pending approval)

Meeting held at South Park.

Present: Molly Wood, Becky McClure, Gene Wee, Dee Boeck, John Huchingson, Jackie Wilson, Kara Baden, Brenda Groskinsky

The March minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.

### Treasury

- Gene started the meeting with a treasury update on accounts up to April 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Income has been received from Arboretum 2 mile entries and expenditure has gone out for event expenses and fabric for masks.
- Current balance of the club is [not posted on web site; contact treasurer for information].
- Dee shared an article: 'Serving on a non-profit board', which encourages all board members, regardless of a background in finance, to review and question accounts.

### Arboretum 2 mile race

- Gene gave an update on the event taking place Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April. We currently have 19 sign-ups, (with a maximum capacity of 35).
- Gene advised that long range weather forecast is looking positive for the event: 45 – 70 degrees and sunny.
- Gene has already chalk marked the course with quarter mile indicators and the mile turn just by the creek.
- Gene raised discussion of starting two runners at the same time to manage finisher flow. It was decided to keep this at one which should be manageable with the numbers.
- Becky will check that the bike group are not planning to meet here at 8am as sometimes is the case.
- Gene shared list of volunteers and required tasks. Kara volunteered Josh, who will take on timing duties (7 – 9am), Kara to take on role as greeter, as per line 17 on the task list.
- Kara volunteered to take photos.

### Turkey Day 5K

- Dee confirmed that the school has been confirmed.
- Dee gave sponsor list to Jackie. Jackie to work with Dee on this, with a focus on new prospects.
- Gene expressed an expectation for ongoing social distancing needs and advised that he is looking at re-setting the course to adjust the start and finish line.

### Van Go's May Day Hey Day

- Dee advised of this forthcoming event for a great cause and encouraged runLawrence members to consider volunteering to help.
- Gene to share a link.

### Member's Running Activities

- Kara requested individual meeting participants to update on upcoming running plans:
  - Jackie is considering if it's worth submitting a registration for this year's Boston. (She has a 2:16 cushion over qualification time but estimates are indicating, due to a smaller field, the cushion will likely be over 10 minutes.
  - John is now in the 80+ age group. He is registered for the Arboretum 2 mile and the Top City Half Marathon and is keen to continue to set state records and to do this well.
  - Molly will be running a 5K in Texas with Becky, is keen to remain injury free and stated how much of a comfort and privilege it has been to be able to run through this pandemic in the company of great friends.
  - Becky will be running the 5K in Texas, the Arboretum 2 mile and the Westward Ho 5K.
  - Gene is looking at tentatively increasing mileage, is registered for the Westward Ho 5K and may register for the Hospital Hill 10K.
  - Dee will be looking to set state records at the Arboretum 2 mile and the Top City Half. She also encourages members to consider the Mother's Day 5K in Overland Park.
  - Brenda currently has a team of 3 (of a required 6) to run this year's Hood to Coast Relay South in October.
  - Kara is looking to resume racing in the Fall.

### **Club Survey**

- Kara advised that she has issued the survey to the board members for review.
- Gene highlighted the weighting in favour of open ended questions and the implication of that for analysis. It was deemed to be OK.

### **5 Year Strategic Plan**

- Discussion ensued about the future and positioning of runLawrence with a view to enabling everyone to understand it's ambitions and objectives.
- Brenda suggested that this could be part of the future pot luck event, which in the past generated useful insights on what people want.

### **Other Business**

- Brenda raised the issue of attendance at the RCCA convention in Florida, which will likely go ahead in March 2022. Jackie expressed keen interest in attending.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. Next meeting will be virtual on Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4 pm in person at South Park. Adverse weather, we shall resort to Zoom.

Submitted by Jackie Wilson