

River Region Runners (R3) Meeting June 16, 2011

The R3 held our meeting at Chappy's Deli in Montgomery, Alabama. Pete Preston, President, opened the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

The following officers were present:

Pete Preston – President
Dave Stever – Vice President
John Porter – Co-secretary
Mary Belle Scott – Co-secretary
Irene Tyner -- Treasurer

Attendees:

Pete and Patti Preston	Irene Tyner	West Marcus
John Porter	Jeffrey Vinzant	Ron Macksoud
Chris White	Marty and Janet Arant	Sabrina Lee
Mary Belle Scott	David Flack	
Jim Larkins	Shaun Flack	
Dave and Barb Stever	Christopher Allen	
Kathy and Kim Bond		

Meeting Minutes:

After a reference to the "Jubilee Run" was corrected to read "Labor Day Run," Chris White moved to accept the minutes from the April meeting, Jim Larkins seconded, and the motion passed.

New Officers:

Jim Larkins gave the nominating committee report. He stated that while there were no additional volunteers, all of the existing officers agreed to serve for another term "if no one else will do it." Pete Preston announced that Irene Tyner has graciously stepped up to serve as Treasurer after agreeing to fill in for the remainder of the previous term. Larkins expressed appreciation for Preston, who has served five years and worked every race. Larkins asked for nominations from the floor. After none were received, he announced that the former officers would be up for reelection. These included:

John Porter, Mary Belle Scott – co-secretaries
Irene Tyner – Treasurer
Dave Stever – Vice President
Pete Preston – President

David Flack moved to elect this slate of officers, Chris White seconded, and the motion passed.

Future Races:

Jim Larkins gave the race report. He discussed upcoming races through the summer and fall, including the Peach Run, four races in September, and four races from October through December. Pete Preston stated that anyone who desires to learn the chip timing system could come to his house the following night.

Financial Report

Irene Tyner gave the Treasurer's Report. She stated that Carmen Sowers donated \$300 and Pete Preston read a note from Sowers indicating that the donation could be used "for laptop or anything." Tyner announced that the club had reimbursed Ron Macksoud \$60 for t-shirts. We were able to get

shirts through Leslie Jordan Co. which was able to put the club logo on for \$160. The shirts should be arriving the following week and will be \$6.60 per shirt.

Opening Balance (April 29, 2011)	\$5,721.89
Deposits	2,944.00
Payments	<u>4,692.95</u>
Ending Balance (June 30, 2011)	\$ 3,972.94

Jim Larkins moved to accept the Financial Report, Ron Macksoud seconded, and the motion passed.

Old Business

Patti Preston discussed membership renewal, stating that there was a problem with Active.com that had been resolved. She stated that many current members had not renewed their membership. Ron Macksoud asked if there was a deadline and Jeffrey Vinzant asked if an email should be sent to those members. No deadline for membership renewal had been established. Pete Preston stated that, at the Azalea Trail, he had talked with Mona Dickman of the Port City Pacers about the Chronomax. He stated that the replacement clock was working well and had high visibility. He further stated that the Christmas Party Committee needs to meet.

New Business:

It was agreed that the Labor Day Run Committee, which includes Pete and Patti Preston, Ron Macksoud, and Jeffrey Vinzant, would schedule a meeting. Vinzant mentioned that the city will be repaving Clay Street in Cottage Hill. Macksoud stated that the race will be the RRCA State 5k championship and that the overall awards have been taken care of. Pete Preston announced that there will be a committee meeting at Vinzant's house the following Tuesday at 6:15. Janet Arant and David Flack volunteered to be on the committee.

There was a discussion about Pat Fossum's recent stroke she suffered while running. Although she has trouble walking, she is doing well and is planning on competing in a duathlon.

Pete Preston invited everyone to his house the following night to work on race bibs. David Flack announced his appreciation to Ron Macksoud for doing a good job with the Prediction Run.

The club discussed buying a new laptop computer. Dave Stever mentioned that it would need a carrying case. Sabrina Lee moved to approve spending up to \$400 on a laptop. Kathy Bond seconded, and the motion passed. Ron Macksoud discussed giving a certificate of appreciation to Carmen Sowers for her laptop donation and to keep her on the membership list. Dave Stever seconded, and the motion passed.

Jeffrey Vinzant recognized Pete Preston for writing a letter challenging the mayor for giving the management of the Montgomery half Marathon to Montgomery Metro without a competitive bid. Chris White stated that we need to promote ourselves at each race and Patti Preston suggested that we get a club banner to display.

The club discussed problems with this past year's Jubilee Run and with what the club should do in the next year regarding a future Jubilee Run. Jim Larkins stated that the brochure came out the day before the run and the race awards were not ordered. Jeffrey Vinzant moved that we need to find out as early as we can if there will be a Jubilee Run next year and, if there will be one, meet with Jubilee Cityfest in January of 2012. Vinzant further moved that, if we are walking away from the race, we would tell Jubilee Cityfest the reasons why. Chris White seconded, and the motion passed.

West Marcus moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Dave Stever, and the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30. Our next meeting will be held Thursday, July 21, at O'Charley's in Prattville.