



Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club Board Meeting Minutes

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Kaimuki Public Library

Summary of Board Actions

Via email, the Board voted to approve increasing the order of wrist slap bands from 300 to 500.

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Call to Order by President Ron Alford at 6:32 p.m.

Board members present: Connie Comiso, Ron Alford, Judith Inazu, Ed Kemper, Sam Aucoin, Joy Schoenecker, Nicholas Pugliese, Kanealii Ng-Osorio, Naomi Morita

Board members absent: None

Guests present: Paula Carroll, Joan Davis

1) Approval of Minutes of April 17, 2023

- Approved.

2) Financial report

- Bookkeeper- Chris Mewhort's possible replacement, Kathy Miyahara, is willing to do the same tasks for the same fee, although she will charge extra for completing tax forms. Ron and Ed will meet with her first to determine whether to engage her services.
- A tax filing extension of six months has been requested from the IRS as we complete the process of hiring a bookkeeper. Ed will also explore whether Chris would be willing to file it for us one last time, for a fee.
- Ed is keeping a spreadsheet of the checks he has written.
- Ed distributed a draft of the 2024 budget. Ron indicated that Board members should review it for discussion and action at the next meeting.

3) Membership report

- Down one member, for a total of 822.

4) MPRRC Board orientation

- Ron presented an orientation for Board members (see attached).

5) Race Events

- Mother's Day 10K. Gates did not open until after 7:00 a.m. so the race started more than an hour late. Ron will contact the parks division to ask what happened. We also ran out of shirts. Ron received emails requesting reimbursement for either the race entry or shirts. Ron and Frank Floyd, the race director, agreed to move the race to a different location next year. The race ops committee will consider options for a new site, e.g., Keehi Lagoon, airport, Waipio soccer field.
- Shark chase. Proceeding as planned.

- Lanikai 8K. Daniel Levey's mother, Dr. Joyce Cassen, donated \$1,000 for the race. This year will be the 20th anniversary of her son's death.
- Old Pali 5K. Will again be at the Koolau Ballroom parking lot. The race is on Saturday since church services are held there on Sunday. Packet pick-up will be at the sponsor's plant, the Koolau Distillery.
- Tantalus 10 Miler. The charter school has been contacted. Ron asked Joan to check whether the road around Tantalus will be open.

6) Course Certifications

- Getting done by Ron Pate and Kawika Carlson.

7) Volunteer Coordination

- Joan to reconfirm Cherry Blossom court as volunteers for the Lanikai 8K. Possibly Target employees as well.

8) Age group medals

- Ron has ordered them.

9) HOF tables

- Judith has filled two MPRRC tables. No seating assignments will be made for those tables so folks can sit where they want to.

10) 2024 Race Schedule (Joan)

- Joan prepared a draft for the 2024 MPRRC races, but dates must be confirmed and races from other organizations should be added. A copy should be available for review at the next Board meeting.

11) Slap bands

- Ron ordered 500 slap bands. **Via email, the Board voted to approve increasing the order from 300 to 500.**

12) Triangle Park Aid Station (Ron).

- Will start during marathon training season. Naomi will be the lead.

13) Windward Training Freaks (Ron).

- They have a new leader, America McColley.

14) RRCA Annual Meeting Presentations

- Joy and Connie represented MPRRC at the annual convention in Chicago and prepared power point highlights of the meeting (see attached). Some of the topics/issues presented include adding a non-binary gender race division, addressing conflicts and mental health issues at races, awareness of insurance coverage for transportation and other activities, etc.
- One of the major topics raised was accommodating non-binary gender participants in races. Ron will send out reading material so that, as a Board, we can address how to best ensure a safe, fair, and inclusive experience for race participants, as well as any budgetary and structural consequences of adding a non-binary race division. Ron will set up a subcommittee to further study and help guide us through this issue.

Adjournment: 8:40 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday, June 19, 2023, at the Kaimuki Public Library.

Attachments:

- Orientation for new board members (Ron Alford)
- Joy Schoenecker's presentation on the RRCA convention
- Connie Comiso's presentation on the RRCA convention