

Mid-Pacific Road Runners Club Board Meeting
Via Zoom
December 18, 2023

Call to Order by President Ron Alford at 6:30 p.m.

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

Guests present: Paula Carroll, Joan Davis

Approval of Minutes of November 20, 2023, Board Meeting

- Minutes were approved, as revised. Henceforth, Judith will send out the minutes after revisions have been made.

Financial Report – Ed Kemper/Kathy

- A Board member was interested in seeing revenue from “race shirts” in the budget reports.
- A net gain of \$16,850 in the 2024 budget may be too high a bar for 2024, given how 2023 is expected to end. Everyone should review the 2024 budget and provide their comments.
- It was suggested that Kathy (our accountant) report on revenue, expenses, and profit/loss for each race. Ron has been doing this by culling information from different sources.
- American Savings Bank is offering a 5% return on Certificates of Deposit held for 6 months. **It was approved to open a \$10,000 ASB CD.** Ed will follow through with this.

Membership Report – Paula Carroll

- There were 729 members in the month of November, down from 737 last month.
- New lifetime member: Deven Sakamoto.

Races and Events

- a) Santa Hat 5K Recap– Ron Alford/Jessica Krieschnick
 - The finish line was videotaped; bib numbers can be matched with a runner’s finishing photo.
 - A number of Kamehameha School students signed up on race day which caused a backlog for race day signups.
- b) Bosetti 1st Sunrise 10K – Ron Alford/Ed Kemper/Joy Schoenecker
 - Permits for parks and streets are done.
- c) Great Aloha Readiness Series – Connie Comiso
 - Ron Pate will say a few words at the Bob and Ron’s race (since it is named after him).
- d) Kailua 10-Miler – Ron Alford/Frank Floyd
 - Registration is open.
 - We have approval to use the Boys and Girls Clubhouse (a new person is in charge).
- e) Bioastin Marathon Readiness Series Update – Ron Alford
 - Raul may no longer be doing the marathon series races for us; an alternative may be necessary.
- f) Race Director Course Certification Completion – Ron Alford
 - Steve Davidson completed the online course on race directing. He will assist with the Windward races. Steve will open the Windward Half Marathon on RunSignUp soon.

Unfinished Business

- g) Volunteer Coordinator Update – Joan Davis/Jessica Krieschnick

- Joanie reported that several reliable volunteers are back in town and will be volunteering for our races.
- h) Honolulu Marathon Expo recap – Ron Alford
- Ron reported that the Club did well in marketing ourselves and selling MPRRC products. There was a good showing of volunteers and he and Betty Gail were present most of the time. Only white and S or XS vintage shirts were left.
- i) Visitor Package Update – Ron Alford
- Ron is calling the canvas bag with Hawaii goodies the “Run and Sun Bundle”. Three or four were sold at the expo for \$60; the bag and goods cost around \$38. We need to market these online, so professional photos are needed. They will also be sold at races and expos.
- j) Inclusiveness Group (Non-binary) update – Naomi Morita
- Chris Kam is organizing a Board retreat to discuss: (1) Inclusiveness, (2) Strategic Planning, and (3) Permits and Approvals [Joan]. Our monthly meetings are too short to discuss these issues adequately.
- k) Christmas Party Recap – Connie Comiso
- There were about 25 people, many from Faerber’s Flyers. Only two MPRRC Board members were present.
- l) Board Meeting Location Update – Connie Comiso
- Kalihi library is not available on Mondays. Susannah Wesley charges \$90 for two hours.
 - Our next meeting on January 15 will take place at Gyotaku restaurant in Pearl City (98-1226 Kaahumanu Street), at 6:30.

New Business

- m) Donation by John Simonds for Lyle Nelson – Ron Alford
- John Simonds donated \$50 to the Club in memory of long-time runner Lyle Nelson. A thank you letter was sent to John.
- n) New Storage Unit Keys – Ron Alford
- Twelve keys were made and each is numbered. Eight have been issued.
 - Betty Gail and Ron may put up signs to label where items should be returned. Joy suggested a special bin for medals stored at the entrance so they can be easily accessible for cleaning and updating. Joy will do an inventory of medals.
- o) Annual Banquet & Membership Meeting – Ron Alford
- Connie will coordinate and plan the dinner portion of the meeting. She will send us options for locations.
 - The meeting/banquet should be held in March or April, any time after the GAR series ends, and usually on a Friday evening.
 - The election of new Board members takes place during the meeting portion. The committee to recruit nominees for Board positions will be chaired by Paula, with Judith, Betty Gail, and Chris Kam as members. At least six candidates are needed.
 - The banquet has usually been free to members.
 - We should discuss whether to charge a small fee of \$10 or \$15 at the next meeting.
- p) GAR Expo – Ron Alford
- The expo will be open on Friday and Saturday. It costs \$450 for a standard booth.
 - **The Board approved having a booth at the expo.** Ron indicated that he can help with the planning but wants someone else to be the overall coordinator. There are security issues since we handle cash and use a cell phone. Someone reliable needs to open up in the morning with the cash box and phone, and close up and secure items at the end of each day (this could be someone else). Someone needs to provide instructions to the volunteers and arrange for a tent and supplies to be set up and taken down.

- Kane was asked to organize the Board members to assist with the expo. Joy volunteered to staff a shift on both days.

Adjournment: 8:10 p.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 15, 6:30 p.m., at Gyotaku Restaurant in Pearl City (98-1226 Kaahumanu Street).