

RIVER REGION RUNNERS MEETING

March 17, 2016

The March R3 meeting was held at Pasta Pizzeria and grill in Prattville. President Beth Johnson preceded over the meeting at 6:30 pm.

The following officers were present;

Irene Tyner, Treasurer

Barb Stever, Secretary

Attendees

Patti Preston

Pete Preston

Mabel Novak

Mike Novak

Jim Larkins

Barb Stever

Chris Stever

Irene Tyner

Beth Johnson

John Johnson

Meeting Minutes

Barb Stever passed around a copy of the minutes from the February meeting for review. A correction was noted that Pete Preston gave a discount to the folks at the Saints and Sinners Run, not Dave. Beth stated the name of our fun run for Easter weekend would be called the Extravaganza Run instead of the Bunny Hop Fun Run. There were no other corrections of additions noted. Patti Preston motioned for the minutes to be approved and Jim Larkins seconded the motion.

Financial Report

Irene Tyner passed around a copy of the financial report and she stated not too much going on right now. She said we received a check for the Critter Crawl and CCAP. Some memberships came in also. She paid out for pull tab bibs, labels and office supplies. Irene had gone to a Bike Club meeting and had a man talk about how they had paid to be a member of the Chamber of Commerce for the perks involved, like promoting events and being able to keep in touch with things going on in and around Montgomery. She asked if we would be interested in doing this and told everyone it would cost \$350 a year to become a member. John said it sounded like a good idea to him. Jim wanted to know if this was affiliated with the city in any way and Pete said no, that all the Chamber was involved with was promoting business in the city. We can put our logo on their website and use the Chamber to maybe get some new members interested in joining our club by seeing what we post on the website. She said the Chamber of Commerce was responsible for getting the River Tri started and Team Magic. She asked if we could try it for a year and see what kind of feedback we get from it to see if it benefits us. We can go to the monthly meetings and luncheons as members. Also can advertise our races and upcoming events with the Chamber. We took it to a vote and it was unanimous to try it for a year and see what it would

benefit us. The motion passed and was accepted with Pete Preston approving the vote and John Johnson seconding it.

Beginning Balance	\$6,660.74
Income	892.50
<u>Expenses</u>	<u>144.73</u>
Ending Balance	\$7,408.51

Race Schedule

Jim Larkins gave an update on the races we have done this year and he said so far we have had 5 that we have worked. He said the Extra Mile Run tripled their attendance from last year and that was really great. We have 4 races in April and 3 in May. He said at the Pancake Run in May that if you are a senior you can apply for the Senior Olympics status if you pay a fee of \$50. Beth said she was sent a flyer on the Peach Run in Clanton and they asked us to post it on our website. Beth also asked them if we could get a discount on the run, those who are members of R3. Pete was concerned that he had heard Nick Saban was doing a run in Montgomery about the same time as our Labor Day Run and he would find out some more info on that and get back to us. He felt that would be a low blow to us as the city knows we are already doing a race over Labor Day. He also asked if we thought doing the race on the Saturday before Labor Day would bring in more people and maybe do the race for a charity as more people will run for a cause that is a good one. Irene said we needed to get our committee together to discuss this. Beth said she would send out an e-mail to get some volunteers together for our Labor Day Run, as many as she could, to help us out. Pete said he was going to meet with some people from Max Credit Union to discuss doing a race for them as they want to do a run at Lagoon Park for a charity.

Old Business

Jim stated the clocks will work if they are just given new batteries and he would check on that.

New Business

Beth Johnson said she would send out another e-mail to try and get people interested in running the Extravaganza Run at Ft. Toulouse on the 26th of March. So far she only had 16 people interested and responded to her. She also has an e-mail to send out letting everyone know what they are responsible for to bring to the run. She asked if we wanted to do the 5K or the 8K and Pete said it didn't matter as long as Beth told him so he could mark the course. Should we have a special trail out thru the woods for a bunny trail? We would work on these things and decide before the race. Barb Stever said she knew it was early for thinking about the Christmas party, but she wanted to know if we wanted to have it at Pete Peterson Lodge again and the same food as the last 2 years. Someone said the food we had at Nobles was great and wanted to know if Ted could do some of that food instead of the barbecue. Barb said she would talk to Ted and was sure he could do a different menu as he had told her before he could go off the barbecue board and do something different if we wanted. Everyone was happy to go to Pete Peterson Lodge again, so Barb will set that up.

Motion to Adjourn at 7:23 pm

Patti Preston motioned to adjourn the meeting and Pete Preston seconded, and the motion passed with a voice vote.