

**Triple Cities Runners Club**  
**Board Meeting**  
**May 8, 2012**  
**Relief Pitcher**

Members Present: Tom Carter, George Joseph, Kevin Pasterchik, Darlene Cempa, Dan Dougherty, Tom Hamlin, Kathy Anderson, Grace Tabeeek, Trish Horan, Chris Cowden, Ed Jenner, Harry Back, Emily Piza-Taylor.

Board Members Absent: Vince Kelley, Mike Murphy, Brendan Flynn

1. President Tom Carter called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.
2. Secretary's Report - Motion was made by George and seconded by Tom Carter to accept the minutes from the March 20, 2012 meeting. Motion passed.
3. Treasurer's Report – Kevin Pasterchik reviewed the treasurer's report. A question was raised about charging a \$100 fee to St. Patrick's run due to providing insurance but not finish line services. Grace will contact Vince Kelley about the \$100 fee. Tom Carter made a motion to accept the report, seconded by George. The motion passed.
4. Chris Cowden discussed the possibility of the club sponsoring fall marathon training runs. These would formalize the Sunday group runs that have been taking place and the club would provide guidance each week for the course/mileage, pacers and water stops. No insurance would be needed because no one is paying and it is not a race. A motion was made by Tom Carter and seconded by George for TCRC to sponsor the Sunday runs, to allow volunteer credit towards the Grand Prix for volunteers who help out, and a beginning budget of \$200. Motion passed.
5. TCRC Track meets – Dan Dougherty discussed the track meets. They will be on Wednesday evenings, probably in June, July and August. He is awaiting approval from Maine Endwell to add the track meets to the calendar. Options were discussed such as how many of the meets will be eligible for the Grand Prix and whether to add other events. Further discussion was tabled until the school is approved and dates are set.
6. George and Grace reported on TCRC finish line services. The system that Mark Hendley designed has been working well and is very accurate. It is also very technical and would be hard for non-technical people to operate. The club needs to evaluate whether it should buy the system from Mark or not. In the interim, Grace projects that Mark will spend about \$1,100 on bibs over the season this year. He has already used bibs costing \$510. Grace made a motion and Ed seconded to reimburse Mark \$510 for bibs used to date and reimburse the remainder of the races as they occur. A committee was formed to discuss the timing system and report back to the board with a recommendation. Committee members are Kevin, Grace, Darlene, Dan, Lee, Kathy, Tom Hamlin and George Groome. Grace will set a time and place to meet.
7. Grace reported that although the club successfully monitored and enforced the prohibition of headphones, strollers and dogs on the courses for the January Freeze, it was not done at the Forks XV. It is important that we consistently enforce these rules. After discussion it was decided that the club will continue displaying signs about

disqualification and begin having volunteers out on the course to mark down bib numbers. This will be done for all club sponsored races beginning with the Vestal XX.

8. A motion was made by George and seconded by Tom Carter to pay Vince Kelley for the \$30 fee incurred for the course calibration. Motion passed.
9. George updated the club on the digital clocks. The club owns 2 clocks. One blew over a few years ago and broke. We need a replacement. The new clock, with a tripod and an extra battery for the older clock will cost about \$1,243 including shipping. Tom Carter made a motion, and Dan seconded, to buy a clock, trip and extra battery set. Motion passed.
10. Grace updated members that 2 groups have approached the club for finish line services. The Boys & Girls Club has a race the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in August. Dan Dougherty said he would do that one. The Apalachin Field Days has a race the 1<sup>st</sup> week in June. Due to the number of other races in the same time frame, no one was available to run this one. Grace will contact them and let them know they could rent the clock if they want but we can't do finish line services.
11. Adjournment – 8:32 pm