



## Gate City Striders eBoard Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date:  
December 8, 2021

Start Time/Location:  
7:15 pm -Zoom

Attendees:

X	Jeremy Berger	X	Amanda Naro
X	Diane Clifford	X	Tara Roark-Towle
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark Crane	<input type="checkbox"/>	Scott Rogers
X	Carolanne Donovan	X	Steve Rouleau
X	Rob Fiero	X	Phil Petschek
X	Mark Furler	X	Carolina Tumminelli
X	Christy Kervin	X	Trevor Ward
X	Johanna Lisle Newbold	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Guests:

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- **Opening Remarks (Steve Rouleau) (5 minutes).**
  
  - **Secretary's Report (Carolina Tumminelli) (1-2 minutes)**
    - November Minutes. - meetings accepted
  
  - **Treasurer's Report (Diane Clifford) (10 minutes)**
    - Updates -
      - Report on budget?
      - Activity since last meeting - good dues income probably renewals to run MCR. did receive 2 \$100 checks from IBM - they have to make the checks payable to Road Runners and then Road Runners sends the money to us. They are not earmarked for anything specifically. Should keep it towards Fit U/youth programs.
      - MCR outlay - \$2,525.
      - paid out the coaching fees, and we are paying one more thing for the porta-johns that we put at South for x-country.
      - Rent on the smaller storage unit is going up \$20/month. If we pre-pay then they will give us one month free. would put us a little over budget if we pre-pay for next year and get the one month free for each unit. motion to pay the prepaid - unanimous approval. - to pay both of our units in full for 2022.

- Locks on storage units - rec'd an email from new ownership at storage unit strongly encouraging everyone to put new/better locks on there for better safety.
  
- **Committee Reports**
  - **Sponsorship/Outreach (Jeremy Berger) (5 minutes)**
    - Updates: No updates.
  
  - **Membership (Trevor Ward) (5 minutes)**
    - Updates: big uptick in membership because of MCR. several new members recruited. Also some renewals.
    - seem back to normal in terms of revenue, but still down somewhat on member numbers. 427 members/300 households.
    - some people have requested to have multi-year membership options so Trevor added that so people can sign up for 2 or 3 years instead of just 1 year.
  
  - **Communication (CarolAnne Donovan/Mark Crane) (5 minutes)**
    - Updates – next newsletter tomorrow. will put in a blurb about membership and renewals. race reimbursement form
  
  - **Competition (Johanna Lisle Newbold & Tara Roark-Towle) (5 minutes)**
    - Boston Marathon Application and Awarding Process- we are getting 3 Boston Bibs. we've been editing the rubric for the application so that it can be sent out via email to the club and put on the website. Johanna will be handling it this year - so she needs 3 people for the selection process - reach out to her privately/offline - committee is anonymous. can we try and get it up and running mid-December so the application deadline can be mid-January and start the selection process.
    - Boston Marathon Bus- (no updates)
    - Mountain Series- (no updates)
    - NHGP- 13 out of 18 Granite runners were GCS.
    - NEGP- 2022 season announced today. starts 2/13 - super sunday 4 miler in Bedford, usual full slate.
    - Cross Country- already asking if we have or know of any x-country races for slate of 2022, they want the slate to come out early in the year so teams have the chance to plan around it.
    - NEGP coordinator - Brandyn stepping down, need replacement.
    - Race reimbursement form ready to go to be sent out to people.
  
  - **Social (Amanda Naro) (10 minutes)**
    - Updates
    - Hall of Fame –
    - Annual Meeting (Amanda Naro)
    - Best of Boston/Henri Renaud Awards (Amanda Naro) - great night, had 40 people (30 members). over budget by \$187 due to the bar - there has to be a

\$300 minimum for the bar, and we had to get 3 bottles of wine for that and 2 were donated to Novemberfest, the other bottle will be a prize at the awards dinner.

- Scholarship Night/Health & Wellness Night (Amanda Naro): no updates
- Ultimate Runner Night - no updates
- Candlelight relay/Bell Lap celebration (no updates)
- Mobility course w/ Shelly Walker-Adams - next week is the last one. Still not a lot of attendance. talked to Shelby who said that she has heard from a lot of people that they have done the recordings and got a lot of good feedback.
- Awards night -
  - Survey Results: - 60 responses to survey: 60% yes, will attend events in early 2022, 40% no, do not plan to attend events in early 2022.
  - - NO response reasoning: 65% due to covid, 25% may be comfortable by March, 25% no for various non covid reasons
  - - YES response RSVP to Awards Dinner: about 50+/-
  - - Preference on Awards Dinner time frame: March (60%), February (51%), January (40%)
  - - Preference on Membership Meeting time frame: March (55%), April (50%)
  
  - Available dates in February/March? slight preference to having it in march for awards dinner.
  - increase cost per person?
  
- Tentative schedule of upcoming events?
- Awards Dinner - majority of people responded that March was preferred. we need to be aware of the race schedule so we aren't scheduling an event the night before (Saturday).
  - No one opposed to having the awards dinner in person
  - no one opposed to having the membership meeting in person. Should we push membership meeting to April, but see what dates are available for the Awards dinner first, and then schedule membership meeting.
  - Motion to put deposits down for the two events - \$250/event. if we don't use the deposit - Christy makes motion, Trevor seconds the motion. All in favor - motion passes.
  - Price of meals and appetizers are the same - it normally costs members \$30 to attend. Do we want to raise the price for members? tabled until January to see the dates etc. and put together a budget for the expenses we are expecting for the awards dinner and then we can talk about the price for members.
  
- **Training (5 minutes) -**
  - Winter Track - The Dome shows us on the schedule for Tuesdays and Wednesdays. it may have just been carried over because they want us to

book. Lea talked to her contact at the Dome - there is still availability for 10 weeks - t/W 6-7:30. Rates are up from previous years \$4.50/person. but if we don't actually book it then we might lose the schedule. Millennium is already advertising that they are doing indoor track on Thursday nights free to their members. Members who go do pay the fee for that. question comes down to expenses - need to know approximately how many people will go. last time we lost money because we did not have enough people going to indoor track.

- Carolanne will put something in the newsletter asking that if members are interested in indoor track to reach out ASAP so we can see who is interested and see if we should have it. and then present it to the board late next week to make a decision. and post on the FB membership group.
  - Tara suggested - what if you have a period of time instead of a coached workout -just one night.
  - Spring/Summer/Fall Track - (Stephen Rouleau) - no updates
  - Couch to 5k - (no updates) - no updates
- **Events/Races**
- Freeze Your Buns: Rob Lembree sent out the budget that Steve forwarded to the Board. Rob went high on the expenses, also talking about shirts, but people would have to add on the cost so it wouldn't be an additional expense to the club. BJ from Fleet Feet has agreed to subsidize 50% of the cost of the awards. There would be an in person and virtual option.
    - We should tell Rob that we have bibs and safety pins in the shed so we don't need to purchase them for FYB per se.
    - Steve makes a motion for the FYB budget and move forward with the race - 5 week series starting ½. Tara seconds the motion.
      - all in favor - no opposition.
  - Gate City Marathon/Gate City Running Festival (Mark Furler) (5 minutes) -
    - Budget from Mark F - not provided until meeting.
    - open registration?
    - Mark just emailed out a copy of the proposed budget for the Gate City running festival. one area not 100% certain on is the police detail because that changes year to year and changes rule to rule.
    - We may not have another marathon again - we just don't have the membership or volunteer base to cover.
    - we will do a half marathon, 1 mile distance and then a 10K or 5 mile course.
    - **Date - May 15th.**
    - what is the timeline for making race decisions so we can open up registration etc. Mark wants to open registration 1/1/2022.
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    - Rob - frustrating that we are putting on an event that will use a lot of club resources and only make us \$700.

- We are changing the format so hopefully that will drive up participation etc.
  - Race with provisional budget as described with a 1mile race, a middle distance race and a half marathon. Steve makes motion - seconded by christy. **in favor: 10 in favor, no opposed. 2 abstentions. Motion passes.**
- Pack Monadnock 10 Miler -updates? **(5 minutes)** (no updates) email from Brandyn. He and Brian are working on a budget for next year.
- PAL Track & Field **(1-2 minutes)**
  - **Follow-up: Still have a need for coaches for Spring 2022.**
    - Should we be looking outside the club? Steve will reach out to PAL to see if they have any ideas.
- PAL XC -
- Summer Trail Series (Rob Fiero)- (1-2 minutes). no updates.
- Fitness University (Carolina Tumminelli) - (1-2 minutes). no updates
- Mill Cities Relay - (1-2 minutes) 12/5/2021 - great day, lots of happy people. In the end, the announced results were that we were in 3rd place. 1st place - Greater Manchester (old Athletic Alliance Running Club), 2nd place - Greater Lowell. There are some issues with teams that may change the rankings, it is being worked out with the committee.
  - Chris Simard has made request for more members to help.
- Novemberfest: Total donation of over \$6,000.
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- **Community Outreach (Scott Rogers)** - no updates
- **Other**
  - Elections for the board - Who is going for reelection?
    - Diane is not seeking reelection
    - Mark Crane not seeking reelection
    - Jeremy not seeking reelection
    - Mark Furler - will seek reelection but it is worth trying to find someone to take over the Gate City Running Festival.

- **Adjourn Meeting - motion: Diane Seconded: Christy**
- **Next Meeting: January 11, 2022 @ 7:15p.m.**