

SAR Board Meeting - October 8, 2018

	BOARD MEMBERS		
X	Don Branaman	X	Steve Felde
X	Amye Chaparro	X	Heather Hopkins
	Doreen Davis		Diane Manzini
X	Dave Dixon		Greg Wenneborg
X	Sheryl Felde		
	PAST PRESIDENTS (NONVOTING)		
	Randy Accetta		Tim Bentley
X	Steve Outridge		
	OFFICE MANAGER (NONVOTING)		
X	Lucas Tyler		

- 1) The meeting was called to order by Vice President Amye at 6:35 pm.
- 2) The following guests were introduced: David Armet and Jeri Baker. (Autumn Ball arrived a few minutes later.)
- 3) Amye thanked Heather for helping out with the Reverse Happy Hour Hobble.
- 4) GOVERNANCE
  - a) Motion to approve the amended minutes from the September board meeting by Sheryl, seconded by Dave. Motion approved unanimously.
  - b) Treasurer's Report - Dave provided a list of checks that have been issued from the SAR account since he became treasurer. There is approximately \$70,000 in the operating account, of which about \$23,000 is committed. He is working on cleaning up categories in QuickBooks. We discussed the CD that was established to fund the Rob Bell award, which will mature on 10/28/18. Dave will look into rolling it over. Dave Dixon and Amye Chaparro will be signers on the CD. The cost of the Runner's Safety Course was discussed; it should be approved in advance in the future. Dave will set up ACH for the shed rental payments.
  - c) ParkRun - David Armet requested that SAR partner with and donate money to ParkRun, a free weekly timed 5K. It is part of a global organization and each local

chapter has to raise a one-time sum of \$5000. David has raised \$4000 so far. It is run entirely by volunteers and will meet every Saturday morning at Himmel Park. They have had provisional runs for the past 12 weeks, and the first official run will be November 17. David will send an email with the specifics of his request.

d) Children's Fitness Fund update - Lucas reported that Lauren and Diane are working on this.

e) Rob Bell Award update - Amye reported that we have received only five nominations. Autumn offered to put a notice on the Southwest Endurance Training Facebook page. The deadline for nominations is October 14, but we can extend it if necessary. An email will be sent to members specifically about the Rob Bell Award before the nomination deadline.

f) Board Member Contract Draft Review - moved to next month

g) Board Term Limits Bylaws Amendment Update - moved to next month

h) RRCA

i) Heather and Jeri are interested in working on the application for a Runner Friendly Community designation, aiming for the July 1, 2019 deadline.

ii) Sheryl is interested in going to the convention, which will be in New Orleans on March 28-31.

i) Review Conflict of Interest Policy - moved to next month

## 5) OPERATIONS

a) Materials Report - Lucas

Greg bought new 5-meter and 2.5-meter timing mats, at a cost of \$2346. They should last about 3 years. We've spent \$539 on banners, water jugs, and the megaphone replacement. We still need to get tables and mile markers. Greg wants to order 5000 bibs at 89 cents each, which will be recouped from race directors as a race expense. Greg would like to move to a new timing system eventually. It will cost about \$12,000 and use smaller mats and bib rings. The company we currently use is updating their technology.

Desert Solstice rented equipment for a high school cross country meet. They paid \$200, and all the equipment is back in the shed and in working condition. Last weekend, Thin Mint Sprint used the sound system with the new megaphone. We charged \$20 and asked them to request earlier if they need to rent anything next year.

b) Membership Report - Lucas

We currently have 970 members and 681 memberships.

c) Social Committee Report - Amye

The next Happy Hour Hobble will be at Tap and Bottle North on October 19. We'll advise people to bring lights, maybe buy glowsticks or blinkers. There is also a Hobble planned for November 2 at Tucson Hop Shop. Autumn suggested contacting Arizona Wine Collective at St Philips Plaza for future Hobbles. Getting someone to sponsor the purchase of blinkers to hand out was discussed. The annual membership party will be on January 27 at Playground.

d) FitKidz committee report

There are two more FitKidz races - Buckelew Farms and GMT.

e) Past Race Review

i) Tucson 10K - Good turnout.

ii) Sabino FitKidz - Just under 300 kids officially finished. SteveO is working on getting a 5-year permit for both this and the Sabino Sunset run.

f) Upcoming Race Updates

i) Run N Roll - Oct. 14. SteveO has been helping Monica with planning. He'll put a link on Active.com of the new course, with mile markers and water stations. We have enough volunteers for registration, need course monitors and water stations.

ii) Buckelew Farms - Oct. 21. Need a map of the farm for planning the course. The Zombie run is the day before, which complicates marking the route, but it will be ready.

iii) GMT - Oct 28. We'll need a lot of volunteers for this.

iv) Thanksgiving - Nov 22

v) Cinco - need new RD - Dr Gann will still be a sponsor. Jeri is willing to be a co-race director. Lucas is considering it.

g) Volunteers - Amye will send an email to race directors encouraging them to use [volunteersignup.org](http://volunteersignup.org). Race directors will set up the categories and the number of people they want in each category.

h) SAR crew shirts - Discuss how many to order for volunteers at next meeting. Ask volunteers for shirt sizes so we order only what is needed.

i) Holiday mailing/Calendars/Running logs

Heather presented samples and costs for getting 700 calendars/running logs printed: \$910 for 5.5 x 8.5 (\$1.30 each) or \$1617 for 8.5 x 11 (\$2.30 each). If we use Kerry Whelan's pictures, each picture will be \$10, or we can use any picture in a SAR Facebook album for free. We can add race dates to the calendar if we know them all before going to print. SteveO will reach out to race directors to get correct dates for 2019. SteveO noted that we'll need more than 700, so we can give them out through the year as people join and have them on display for membership drives and tables at races.

Lucas noted that we'll be doing a regular mailing with the newsletter and race flyers in December, so we can put the calendar with that and there will be no need for a holiday card. Lucas will look into the postage costs of adding a 5.5 x 8.5 calendar to the mailing. We could ask race directors to contribute to the cost of postage, because their races will be advertised in the calendar. Amye suggested getting sponsors to advertise in the calendar to offset costs. Lucas will send out an update about the mailing and tentative costs.

6) Around the room:

a) Dave is concerned that we have only 9 board members. Austin's application is pending and requires action. Autumn asked for specifics about what being on the board entails. We will finalize board member information so it can be shared publicly. Current board members should be on the lookout for candidates.

Jeri suggested setting up committees as a way of getting people involved. Amye noted that we have tried that in the past with little success, but we'll try again. There was a discussion of sponsoring morning social runs and teaming up with other groups who do long runs on weekend mornings to connect with people who don't do the Hobbles.

b) Heather questioned whether all SAR members need to vote to approve a paid position (as stated in the bylaws). The bylaws also state that the full membership should be given a vote on board positions. This means that they have to be notified when there is a vote and invited to come to meetings. In the past, a regularly published newsletter listed who was nominated for board positions each year. We will do that again going forward.

c) Heather noted some sections of the SAR website that need to be updated and will send corrections to SteveO/Austin for those pages.

d) Heather asked if a closed Facebook SAR group has ever been tried. It was discussed that there is probably not a need for such a group.

Sheryl motioned to adjourn, Steve seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted by  
Heather Hopkins, Recording Secretary