



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for September 19, 2016

Board Members Present:

President – Ron Harrison

Vice President – Charlie Johnson

Past President – Jeff Bowman

Treasurer – Jerry Chestnutt

Secretary – Jon Nash

Director-At-Large – Kathy McDaris

Director-At-Large – Mike Weyant

Director-At-Large – Robby Turner

Director-At-Large – Jen Barton

Director-At-Large – Charles Dickerson

Board Members Absent:

None

Call to Order:

Call to order by President, Ron Harrison, at 6:02 pm.

Quorum:

Quorum established with all board members present.

Reading/Approval of Previous Minutes:

Previous minutes from August 15, 2016 were approved.

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Reports:

- Gulf Winds Track Club Meeting, Wednesday, September 14, 2016 – Ron Harrison
 - **Race Recaps:**
 - **Hammerhead Triathlon (Grand Prix Event) (Sunday, August 28, 2016).**
 - **Beach Blast II (Grand Prix Event) (Saturday, September 10, 2016).**
 - Club tent with refreshments/snacks, manned by Keith Rowe.
 - Good turnout and support for club members!
 - **2016 Grand Prix Update:**
 - Grand Prix Results updated through **Hammerhead Triathlon.**
 - **2017 Board of Directors Nominees:**
 - **Vice President:** Mike Weyant
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 - **Director At Large:** Michelle Butler, Robby Turner, James Harrison, JoAnne Maltese, Kathy McDaris, and Bill Garvin.
 - **Gulf Winds Triathletes Bylaws Changes to Better Align with Track Club on Elections (Dates for opening, closing nominations, voting, etc.).**

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- **Newsletter going out to our 258 members on Wednesday, September 14, 2016.**
Articles are:
 - Thanks to our Sponsors.
 - Sunday, September 18, 2016 from 3:00 - 5:00 pm for a “Pre-IRONMAN Chattanooga and IRONMAN Augusta 70.3 Bike Cleaning, Lubrication, and Social!” at The Southern Public House.
 - This month’s speaker(s): 2017 Board of Directors Nominees introductions and “speeches”.
 - Triathlon Training and Contact Information.
 - Grand Prix updated through **Hammerhead Triathlon**.
 - Meet Your Board of Directors: **Kathy McDaris**.
 - Triathlete spotlight: **JoAnne Maltese** and **Bill Garvin**.
- **Possibility of sending a SHORTER Gulf Winds Triathletes Newsletter to Track Club Membership in 2017?**
 - Approved by the GWTC Board.
- **Next Meeting: Monday, September 19, 2016 at Momo’s Pizza in Killearn, on Market St. Social at 6:30 pm and Speaker at 7:00 pm.**
 - **Speaker: 2017 Board of Directors Nominees.**
- **Treasurer’s Report** – Jerry Chestnutt/Jon Nash
 - Delivered bank statements showing **\$8,650** as of **August 31, 2016**.
 - Only about \$170 was spent at the September 18, 2016 event at The Southern, against a budget of \$450. – Jon Nash
- **Membership Report** – Ron Harrison
 - **258** members as of **9/13/2016**.

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- **Clothing Sales** – Jon Nash
 - Formation of “Uniform Committee” for 2017-2018 uniforms.
 - Jon Nash
 - Mike Weyant
 - Robby Turner
 - Stephanie Liles-Weyant
 - Bonnie Wright
 - Lura Diestelhorst
 - Monica Rhea Clemence
 - Consideration of Rocket Science for kits? – Ron Harrison
 - Presentation of samples.
 - Decision not to go with Rocket Science, but to instead stick with LG again.
 - LG is currently offering 15% off on orders placed by November 15 – Mike Weyant
 - Additional discounts for remaining tri kits?
 - Board approved discount of 35%. Jon Nash to immediately update costs
 - Giveaways for remaining shirts and older tri kits?
 - Approved by board, via email.
 - Several pieces given out at the September 18, 2016 event and planning to give even more out after the September meeting.
 - STICKERS!
 - Large stickers are available for \$3 and small for \$2 and are selling well.
 - MAGNETS!
 - 200 magnets would be ~\$400 – Jon Nash
 - Jon to email board formal quote for decision on order.

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- Shirts.
 - Kathy McDaris had mentioned ordering the shirts with her Red Hills Triathlon shirt order to take advantage of bulk discounts. Board felt we would not have sponsorship information in place for shirts in time.
- **Sponsorship** - Charlie Johnson/Jon Nash
 - Review of packages.
 - Charlie Johnson to serve as “Sponsorship Coordinator” to ensure that efforts are uniform and not duplicated.
 - Feedback on handouts and plans to be sent to Charlie Johnson by **October 3, 2016**.

Agenda Items:

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 - **Beach Blast II (Grand Prix Event) (Saturday, September 10, 2016).**
 - Club tent with refreshments/snacks, manned by **Keith Rowe**.
 - Good turnout and support for club members!
 - Board approved **\$150** to buy a club cooler and folding table to accompany the club tent.
 - Keith notified at meeting.
- **2016 Grand Prix Update:**
 - Grand Prix Results updated through **Beach Blast II**.
 - Next and Final 2016 Grand Prix Races are **IRONMAN Augusta 70.3** on **September 25** and **Sprint on the Flint (Sprint)** on **October 8**.
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- **Gulf Winds Triathletes Bylaws Changes to Better Align with Track Club on Elections (Dates for opening, closing nominations, voting, etc.)** – Kathy McDaris
 - Board approved removing second sentence in **Article V, Elections** that specifies the month that the ballot will be open and the month the results will be certified. Instead, we will keep the first sentence that simply indicates that we will align with the Track Club.
 - Board approved changes to **Article VI, Nominations for Officers and the Board of Directors** to specify that "The Club will accept nominations, for a period of 30 days beginning approximately two months prior to the election, for individuals who have been formally nominated...".
 - Ron Harrison will email the new bylaws to the board for approval.
- **Proposal to send SHORTER Gulf Winds Triathletes Newsletter AND to Track Club Membership in 2017?** – Ron Harrison
- **2016-2017 National Challenge Competition** – Ron Harrison
 - Club Coordinator?
 - **Jen Barton** has agreed to take on this role. (Annie Bowman declined.)
 - No cap of 75 members. All one team!

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- **2017 Grand Prix** – Ron Harrison
 - 2017 Grand Prix Committee Chairman: **Jeff Bowman**
 - Grand Prix Committee to provide recommendations to the Board. Bylaws, Article VIII, SECTION II, STANDING COMMITTEES: 1. Grand Prix Committee.
- **Holiday Party/Grand Prix Awards/Annual Awards Planning** – Ron Harrison
 - Held together in December?
 - Board voted to stick with last year's decision to separate the holiday party and the awards.
 - The awards will be held as part of the usual, January monthly meeting at Momo's.
 - Venue?
 - The Holiday Party will, once again, be graciously held at The Southern Public House.
 - Jon Nash to email board a proposed budget for this event.
 - The 2016 Awards will be held at Momo's, in lieu of the January monthly meeting.
 - Time/Date?
 - The Holiday Party will be held on **Monday, December 19, 2016**.
 - The 2016 Awards will be held on **Monday, January 16, 2016**.
 - When to order Grand Prix Award Glasses?
 - Kathy McDaris and Jeff Bowman reported that very little lead time is needed for the glasses and that 2 – 4 weeks will be plenty.
 - Jeff Bowman reported that there are a good number of glasses left over from last year's order. Jeff will inventory and email the board with a count.
- **Saint Marks Duathlon as Gulf Winds Triathletes Club Event?** – Charlie Johnson
 - Charlie briefly outlined plan to hold the Saint Marks Duathlon as a club race.
 - Charlie outlined his communications with Saint Marks officials and past organizers of the race.
 - Charlie will be sharing additional information with the board, via email, to get this moving in a timely manner.

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- **October Speaker?** – Ron Harrison
 - At August meeting, **Robby Turner** brought forth the issue of recent incidents and tragedies and the BoD brainstormed ways to bring subjects to light with club members.
 - **Ron Harrison** recommended putting together a group to speak about the various issues surrounding this topic:
 - How to ride defensively.
 - Not escalating situations.
 - How to report incidents with/without contact/injury.
 - Email from **Bill Dillon**, “With all of the recent stabbings, shootings, bike rider harassment and private part exposures...the club may want to consider having speaker focus on what to do/not to do from a personal safety perspective.”
 - Any activity on a person or group to speak in October?
 - Kathy McDaris has been speaking to Chip Bedingfield, formerly of Foneville, Lewis, Foote, and Messer and currently with the Florida Highway Patrol as a Traffic Homicide Investigator. Topics to request he cover:
 - Non-contact accident reporting.
 - Contact with motor vehicle accident reporting.
 - Road rage incident reporting.
 - The difference between Civil Traffic infractions and Criminal incidents involving vehicles (i.e....assault w/motor vehicle and statutory requirements).
 - Personal safety/situational awareness.

Additional Business:

None

Future Meeting Speakers & Topics:

- **Next Meeting: Monday, October 17, 2016 at Momo’s Pizza in Killlearn, on Market St. Social at 6:30 pm and Speaker at 7:00 pm.**
 - **Speaker: Chip Beginfield, Florida Highway Patrol.**

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Close of Meeting:

- The meeting was adjourned by President, Ron Harrison, at **7:03 pm**.

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