

# Empire Runners November 17, 2011 Meeting

1. Reading of Minutes from previous meeting – Will Ortlinghaus
2. Reports:
  - a. Treasurer's Report by Tanya Narath:
    - i. Current club balance is \$48,774
    - ii. Student Grant Restricted Fund balance is \$2,711
    - iii. Annadel Half Restricted fund balance is \$11,457
    - iv. Year to date donations (\$5,910), balance is \$3,615
  - b. President's Report by Alex Wolf-Root:
    - i. Sara (Bei) Hall got a Gold Medal in the Steeplechase at the Pan American Games
    - ii. Celeste Berg is competing in NCAA Div III XC Championships in Oshkosh WI
  - c. Race Reports:
    - i. Recent Events
      1. Wine Country Half 10/29
      2. New York Marathon 11/6 – Jen Ortlinghaus gave brief report
      3. Ancil Hoffman XC – running with the wasps!
      4. Run for Wishes
      5. High School XC @ Spring Lake – Luis Luna of Piner set new course record of 14:43. In addition, all Piner runners came in under 16:00
    - ii. Upcoming Events
      1. PA Cross Country Championships 11/20. Empire Runner's Senior Men are 6 points ahead of WVJS going into the meet.
      2. Thanksgiving Wild Turkey Ramble 11/24
      3. Casa Grande Turkey Leg Relays 11/24
      4. McGuire's Breakfast Run 11/27
      5. Girls on the Run 5k 12/3 – come support Shelli Main's hard work
      6. CIM 12/4 – Dale Peterson and Thermo are running
      7. 2011 USATF National Club Cross Country Championships, Seattle WA 12/10. Empire Runner's Senior Men's team will be competing.
      8. Last 10k/Final 2 mi. 12/17
      9. Christmas Relays 12/18 – 20 people have signed up for the bus so far.
      10. Jingle Bell Run 12/20
  - d. Reports of Committees:
    - i. Sponsorship Director STILL needed.
3. New Business
  - a. Club Party discussion – 2/4/12
    - i. Tanya & Val have already been busy working on it, securing location, etc.
    - ii. Cost of food was discussed
      1. In 2011, we spent \$2,700, but only took in \$861.
      2. Budgeting approx \$3,600 for the 2012 party
      3. Tanya proposed having Tag's and Pasta King bid for the party.
      4. Potentially raising door fee.
    - iii. Polenta was described as "Italian Grits" by Dale Peterson ☺

- b. Parks Alliance Presentation – Lauren Dixon of the Parks Alliance (17 organizations that have come together to keep the State Parks open and accessible) gave a detailed talk of the current work to keep the parks, specifically Annadel, open. She spoke on topics such as trail upkeep and staffing. It appears that Sonoma County Regional Parks will be taking over the operations of Annadel. The hope is that funds could be secured to pay for a full time Park Ranger, familiar with Annadel, could stay.
  - i. We asked what we could do, as a club, and as individuals to help this cause. The reply was nothing at the moment, as the alliance is just getting started – wait and see was the answer.
  - ii. Val Sell and Alec Isabeau have volunteered to be liaisons between our club and the Parks Alliance and will attend the alliance meetings.
- c. 2012-2013 Board Member Nominations
  - i. The following are the nominations:
    1. Paul Berg nominated Lisa Isabeau (LT) (absent)
    2. Val Sell nominated Gil Moreno (absent)
    3. Tori M nominated Dale Peterson (accepted nomination)
    4. Tanya nominated Alex Wolf-Root (declined)
    5. Val nominated Jerry Lyman (absent)
    6. Paul Berg nominated Tanya Narath (accepted)
- 4. Monkey Business
  - a. Drawing: Max Hayden would have won \$200 if he had attended the meeting.
  - b. Raffle is still on paternity leave.
- 5. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.

In attendance:

Will & Jen Ortlinghaus, Dale Peterson, Larry & Tori Meredith, Jerry Strong, Alex Wolf-Root, Chris Mason, Super George, Bob Shor, Don Sampson, Shirley Fee, Theresa Manchester, Val Sell, Hank & Tanya Nason, Tanya Narath, Lauren Dixon, Mel & Todd Belluomini