



Buffalo Chips Running Club

Board of Directors Meeting

December 6, 2016

Members Present:

Arnold Utterback, President
Bruce Falzarano, Member-At-Large
Dennis Scott, Member-At-Large
John Caselli, Public Relations
John Feeney, Member-At-Large
Nuria Duran, Member-At-Large
Paul Spolidoro, Vice President
Teddy Morris Jr., Scribe/Training Coordinator
Tony Smith, Treasurer
Waiman Yip, Volunteer Coordinator

Topics:

Meeting minutes –

The minutes for November/2016 were approved.

Meeting Agenda –

The agenda for this meeting was approved by the Board members present.

President –

Following the Prediction Run, we will have the election of the Board of Directors for 2017 and then, following the election, we will hold our first official Board meeting of the new year. Also, we have a couple of potential, new Board of Directors members who will need to be elected at that meeting. The U.S.A.T.F. has approached our club to see if we would be interested in hosting their end of year banquet and award ceremony in the near future. Since the event is normally held in the month of January, it was too soon for us to put anything together for next month, but we will look into possibly hosting this U.S.A.T.F. event in 2018.

Treasurer –

Based on the figures that our Budget Committee came up with for the 2017 budget, we are predicted to have \$10,755 at the end of next year, should we keep our expenses within the framework of the budget items and categories described in the new budget. The budget items and categories for 2017 are pretty much the same as they were in the budget for 2016. The only thing that is unpredictable for the 2017 budget will be the revenue from our five club races. For 2017, the Budget Committee chose to make more conservative estimates for profits from our races in the coming year. One area of the budget that was adjusted, for 2017, was the amount we set aside for printing and mailing out the Buffalo Enquirer. Next year, we are going to distribute the Buffalo Enquirer in a digital format, through e-mails to the membership, instead of printing out the newsletter and then sending it out to each member through the mail. Should some members request a printed version, we will print up a very limited number of issues that we can send out to those members who request it. After the proposed budget for 2017 was discussed by the Board of Directors, a vote was taken and the new 2017 budget was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board members.

Committee Reports –

Training Committee: We are in the process of linking our workout calendar on the Buffalo Chips Running Club website to our new Meetup website. The initial idea was to list future races on the Meetup site in order that our members could use the site to see the races their fellow members were planning on signing up for, but then we realized that by listing races on our website, we were subtly endorsing those races. To make sure that this was not the case, it was suggested that we only list races where we were going to have the Buffalo Chips tent set up—plus, some of the larger marathons. It will take some judgment on what is posted because we do not want to have any personal information given out through this internet medium. Currently, Paul Spolidoro, Jackie Sword-Olson, and Arnold Utterback are the only people who can post on the Meetup site. Eventually, the Meetup site will be viewable on our Buffalo Chips website in the place of our “Workout” section.

Buffalo Bible/Buffalo Enquirer Report –

We are thinking about doing a limited number of printed Buffalo Enquirer newsletters, only to those members who request a printed version, whereas the rest of the membership will receive a digital copy which will be sent to them through an e-mail message.

Race Reports –

Jedediah Smith: The course is verified and certified for the possibility of breaking both American and Canadian records during the running of the event. Their website is updated and the race is listed on both the Buffalo Chips website and the Meetup site.

New Business –

We are going to look into possibly holding the Buffalo Bash on a different night than on the same day as the California International Marathon. There will be further discussion on this idea later in the year.

Also, some of the Board members have expressed an interest in putting together a track-and-field meet that would be held sometime during the Summer.

Adjournment –

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.