

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

ROAD RUNNERS CLUB OF AMERICA (RRCA)

Saturday, March 24, 2007

On the above-specified date, the Road Runners Club of America (RRCA) conducted its annual business meeting in the ballroom of the Embassy Suites Chicago – Downtown/Lakefront Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. The following Officers and Directors were present:

Officer/Director	Present	Absent
President Bee McLeod	X	
Vice-President Tom Downing	X	
Secretary David Epstein	X	
Treasurer Dennis Novak	X	
Eastern Region Director Brent Ayer	X	
Southern Region Director Ken Bendy	X	
Central Region Director Beth Onines	X	
Western Region Director Lisa Paige	X	
At-Large Director Bob Holmes	X	
At-Large Director John Farrow	X	

Also present were Executive Director Jean Knaack, Heidi Abegg, Esq., and Dan Edwards, Parliamentarian.

Call To Order and Opening Remarks. A quorum of member clubs being present, President Bee McLeod called the session to order at 2:42 p.m. CDT. President McLeod welcomed everyone to the session. Director Onines offered opening comments, followed by President McLeod.

Approval of 2006 Convention Minutes. The minutes of the annual business meeting held at the 2006 Houston national convention were provided for review. Bob Platt moved that the minutes of the 2006 annual business meeting be approved as presented. A vote was taken and the motion passed by show of hands.

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer Novak presented his report, the highlights of which included that RRCA is on solid ground and the Board has taken action to sequester a significant amount of money for specific benevolent purposes. John TenBroeck asked Treasurer Novak how we will reconcile the \$1.25 being charged clubs for a print version of "Footnotes". Treasurer Novak replied that the levy is not just for "Footnotes" but covers other administrative costs. To fully answer this question would require analysis, which Treasurer Novak took an action item with a report to follow at a later date.

Executive Director's Report. Executive Director Knaack presented the 2007 operating budget, which was approved by the Board at its January meeting. She

also reviewed the RRCA's financial performance for 2006. She recognized members of the Audit Committee for their excellent work. Again in 2006, the RRCA enjoyed a clean audit of its financial records.

The RRCA had 774 member clubs at the end of 2006, the highest on record. Interest and involvement in the RRCA continues to grow; much has been accomplished in a short amount of time. She made special mention of the strong relationship that has been forged between RRCA and USA Track and Field.

Old Business. None.

New Business. None.

Annual Reports from the RRCA Board of Directors and Reports of Committees. Incorporated by reference in the annual report.

Nominating Committee Report and Election of Officers. Chairman Michael Hughes of the RRCA Nominating Committee introduced his committee members and presented the following slate of officers for 2007 – 2009 terms on the RRCA Board of Directors: Southern Region Director, Ken Bendy; Western Region Director, David Epstein; At-Large Director I, Lisa Paige; and At-Large Director II, Bob Holmes.

John TenBroeck moved to close nominations for Southern Region Director. The motion passed by show of hands, with Director Bendy abstaining.

Joan Davis nominated Norm Haines for the position of Western Region Director; Norm accepted the nomination. Tom Fort moved to close nominations for Western Region Director. The motion passed by a show of hands, with Director Epstein abstaining.

Ron Macksoud nominated David Williams for the At-Large Director I position; David accepted the nomination. Lou Molinaro moved to close nominations for the At-Large Director I position. The motion passed by a show of hands.

Len Goldman nominated David Cotter for the At-Large Director II position; David accepted the nomination. Tom Fort moved to close nominations for the At-Large Director II position. A vote was taken, and the motion passed by a show of hands.

Since the Southern Region Director position was not contested, Director Bendy was elected to a second term by a vote of acclamation. This was brought about through a motion by Jeff Darman.

Each remaining candidate was given five minutes to speak to his or her platform.

Following speeches, the election was conducted by ballot, with the following results.

Western Region Director: **David Epstein, 461.5**; Norm Haines, 241.

At-Large Director I: **Lisa Paige, 382**; David Williams, 320.5.

At-Large Director II: **Bob Holmes, 386**; David Cotter, 316.5.

Director Farrow, chairman of elections, thanked those who assisted him these past few days. He reported that there had been a challenge to past president's assigning their vote to a proxy. A total of 6 ballots were affected with 1 vote each. Rather than decide the validity of the challenge, those 6 ballots were temporarily held back from counting. He also reported that he questioned the ballot of the San Antonio Road Runners, which was allotted 1 vote but may have been entitled to as many as 7.5 votes. This ballot was also held back from counting. It was determined that these ballots were not material to the outcome of any contested election and their votes were not included in the above totals.

Announcements. President McLeod announced Flying Pig Marathon, May 1 – 4, 2008, Cincinnati, Ohio, as the national convention site for next year.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m. CDT by President Bee McLeod. John TenBroeck moved to adjourn the session. A vote was taken by show of hands, and there were no objections.

Respectfully submitted,

David B. Epstein
Director-at-Large
Road Runners Club of America