

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
ROAD RUNNERS CLUB OF AMERICA**

Saturday, August 2, 2008  
Arlington, VA

The regular meeting was called to order by President Ayer at 11:55 am at the Holiday Inn in Arlington, VA.

Roll Call: President Brent Ayer

Vice-President David Cotter present

Secretary and At-Large Director Lisa Paige present

Treasurer Dennis Novak present

Eastern Region Director Mark Grandonico present

Central Region Director Mitch Garner present

Southern Region Director Ken Bendy present

At-Large Director Bob Holmes present

Executive Director Jean Knaack present

Program Director Jessica Sleight present

Guests: Ed Demony, Bob Platt

The April 30, 2008 minutes were approved as stated with a date correction.

Treasurer's Report

The P&L statement was presented along with the Balance Sheet. Discussion followed. Executive Director Knaack reported on the performance of the investment account compared to the benchmark. Treasurer Novak reported the diversity of our investment portfolio helps us to weather market cycles.

Western Region Director's Report

Director Epstein reported an appointment to the Washington State Rep vacancy. He also reported his attendance at the Tahoe Rim Trail Endurance Run, the RRCA National 100-Mile Ultra. At-Large Director Paige and Executive Director Knaack attended the event as well.

Southern Region Director's Report

Director Bendy referenced his report posted on his website.

Central Region Director's Report

Director Mitch Garner referenced his written report.

Eastern Region Director's Report

Director Mark Grandonico reported the appointment of Michael Lannon as VT State Rep.

Vice-President's Report

Vice-President Cotter reported the Tahoe Rim Trail Endurance Run was a successful joint National Championship with USAT&F.

President's Report

President Ayer reported the Long Distance Log created by RRCA founder Browning Ross and collected by Tom Ossler will be scanned for archival purposes and eventually posted on the RRCA website.

### Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Knaack referenced her written report.

### Program Director's Report

Program Director Sleight reported membership as of July 31 is 728 clubs and 192 events for a total membership of 920.

### Online Voting Task Force

Director Epstein reported on the progress of the online voting project. Director Epstein moved "that online voting be tested with the membership at-large in conjunction with the 2009 annual meeting of the membership in San Francisco, CA in accordance with parameters developed by the Board and Executive Director". The motion passed unanimously.

### Old Business - Road Runner of the Year Criteria

Executive Director Knaack asked the Board for awardee selection guidance. Director Garner moved to delegate the development of the Road Runner of the Year awardee selection criteria to the Executive Director. The motion passed unanimously.

### New Business

Director Bendy moved that a task force be appointed to review the Board policy on sponsorship agreements and contracts. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Epstein moved that the legal notice on the website be updated to include a reference that email addresses are to be considered website content. The motion passed unanimously.

Director Garner moved that the Board empower the Executive Director to do all things necessary and proper to protect the RRCA trademark and copyright from infringement. The motion passed 5 ayes and 2 nays.

Director Paige was tasked to develop a self-reflective survey for the Board members.

Director Bendy moved that the Board go into executive session for the purpose of discussing an email sent by Director Holmes to the Board on April 29, 2008. The motion passed unanimously. The Board entered into executive session at 3:20 pm. All guests and staff were excused. The Board came back into regular session at 4:15 pm. No Board action was taken as a result of the executive session.

### Announcements

Director Garner said he extended an invitation to Roads Scholar Alicia Craig to attend the 2009 San Francisco convention.

Vice-President Cotter agreed to form the task force for developing the Strategic Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25 pm by President Ayer.

Submitted by Lisa Paige, Secretary.