

FRIENDS OF TORRANCE EXCEPTIONAL ATHLETES

Board Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2016

Members Present

Morrie Rice
Angi Bugg
CherylN Rice
Eric Bugg

Linda Barker
Jim Tuligowski
Carol Schreiner

Members Absent

Marcia Good
Adrian Bleidistel

Guests

Phil Duthie
Erin Rice

Call To Order:

FTEA Board President Morrie Rice called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Board Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve the September minutes. (ABugg/CRice-unanimous)
CherylN will post July and September to the website.

Presidents Report:

Secretary of State Filed

Morrie reports that the Secretary of State documents have been filed and the fee of \$20.00 has been paid.

Ride with the Tide Event -South Bay Sunrise Rotary

Morrie spoke with Ruth Kurihara-Kelsey. She extended a thank you to the FTEA board volunteers for the work on this great event. The South Bay Sunrise Rotary ask for feedback from the FTEA participants. There were an estimated 350 cyclists that participated, much less than last year. This likely due to the change of the name and location. Morrie expressed commitment of the FTEA Board's continued participation.

Pizza Party

The board has committed to an end of the year Pizza Party. The date will be Sunday December 4th from 2:00pm to 4:00 pm. Pizza and drinks will be supplied for Athletes. Parents and friends will purchase their own. Adrian has worked this event in the past and likely has a lot of information to contribute. Angi will speak with Adrian and will get price quotes from Shakey's on Torrance Blvd and Round Table Pizza on PCH and Artesia. Phil suggested that there be a drawing of fun items for this event.

Vice President's Report:

Sports Tickets

Jim reports that there are Clipper tickets available for the date of Sunday, March 26, 2017. The Clipper's play the Sacramento Kings. Jim will purchase 30 tickets at \$32.00. Phil will check the date to be sure there are no conflicts.

Cycling Beach Ride

Our Cycling team has invited the Cycling team from San Diego to join them for a fun beach ride. The teams will ride from Manhattan Beach to the Power Plant and back. Jim presented a sandwich quote from Von's. Jim requested funds to purchase sandwiches, chips and drinks. There was a budget request for \$150.00 for the lunch for this event.
(Schriener/CRice-unanimous)

Treasurer's Report

CherylN reported the balance of the Chase Bank account is \$49,060.89 as of 9/30/16. CherylN also provided the account transactions through October 11th. Walk A Thon/Family Picnic donations totaled \$6,156.00. There were two budget requests from the Walk A Thon/Family Picnic event. Marcy for food, supplies and the new games- \$700.88. Morrie for gift cards, ice cream, ice and three additional gift cards needed, due to a three way tie. (Schriener/Tuligowski -unanimous)
Linda Barker requested T-shirts for softball. She will submit a list of sizes and numbers to CherylN.

Website/Facebook Updates

There are no updates for the Website. As discussed previously the website needs new photos. CherylN will send a request for photos. There was some discussion about the value of the website. The ease of using PayPal is of value if we could promote the website.
Facebook activity is minimal.

Old Business

Fall Family Picnic and Fundraising Celebration

Suzie Ward sent some positive comments and congratulated the Board on the successful event. The event was well attended with an estimated 85 participants. The Board acknowledged the planning and work was involved but was rewarding. Combining the two events and the change in venue were both good choices. The Torrance Fire Department was awesome as always. The Corn Hole and Ring Toss games that were purchased were a success. Carol passed a Thank you card for the Torrance Fire Department around for signatures.

Budget Approval

The new budget needs approval. We need to add Administrative fees and Pizza Party to the prior submission by Phil. CherylN will create a template and add the new items discussed. The budget approval will be tabled until the next meeting.

The Kick Off Dinner will be March 2, 2017 at the Toyota Museum.

Fundraising Awards

We are still open to suggestions for the fundraising awards. Awards previously suggested include sports tickets, gift cards, and hats. Cheryl will send an email that will include the Athletes and the amount of funds that were raised by each. It was reported that Jennifer Bleidistel was in the lead for the amount of donations brought in.

New Business

Volunteer Committee

Morrie again brought forward the idea for a volunteer committee. The goal would be to have a list of willing volunteers that the Board could call on to assist with any of the events we participate in. There were a few individuals suggested.

The idea of having special shirts for the Board and Volunteers for volunteer events was discussed. This would present well at events and also help market our organization. We currently have a number of the Blue shirts and will use those for now.

Phil reported that he is recruiting for Basketball coaches and assistants. Michael Louis will no longer coach Basketball. The process to become a coach needs to begin now as there is a lot involved.

Phil also reported that Johnny Pierce has qualified for the US Paralympic Swimming Team.

Next Meeting Date:

Tuesday November 15, 2016 at 6:00 pm at the Rice Residence.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:20 pm. (CRice/Schreiner unanimous)