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# Tuesday, June 7, 2016

Noon, Mission Coffeehouse meeting room
Present: Dave Graves, president; Justin Bonnema, vice president;
Jay Larsen, treasurer; Matt Bien, Steve Britzman, Rod DeHaven, Shari
Landmark, Trevor Penning and Chuck Tiltrum.

#### **Old Business**

- 1. Approved April 5 minutes for posting on website
- 2. **Status of hand-held timers** Justin Bonnema hasn't had a chance to look at Chronomix. Jay Larsen reports that the Ultrak has been repaired and is available for use. Cost was covered by warranty.

## **New Business**

- 1. Discussed having an automated external defibrillator available at Prairie Striders races after club members Steve Britzman, Justin Bonnema, Dave Graves, Jay Larsen and Chuck Tiltrum received training May 3 from Shari Landmark.
  - Shari is to see if the automated external defibrillator used by SDSU intramurals could be rented out for Striders races on the provision that the race director or designee has a trained operator. This would be an option for race directors and not required. She is to report back at the July meeting.
  - The club would not change its 2009 position statement on defibrillators, which doesn't require defibrillators at Striders events because trained emergency workers are available within a reasonable response time.
- 2. Discussed purchasing traffic safety cones for creating a chute as a replacement for heavy metal standards and discs now used. Rod DeHaven offered free use of the white, crowd-control poles used in Sanford-Jackrabbit Athletic Center. Purchase of 10 road construction style cones would be \$400.

It was agreed that we should try the white poles for a couple races. The poles have a heavy rubber base, as the construction cones would.

#### <u>Miscellaneous</u>

- 1. Dave Graves reported that Kevin Smith is in the process of **updating the Prairie Striders web page** to make it mobile friendly and to allow others change copy.
- 2. Steve Britzman mentioned he has a sheet of self-adhesive direction arrows that he will put on the club's orange cones that are in need of attention.
- 3. **Justserve.org** is a new, free locally maintained website where race directors can post notices seeking volunteers. It serves as a clearinghouse for all type of events.
- 4. Steve Heidenreich talk/workshop -25 @ talk, 20 @ workshop, different people.
- 5. The chamber has offered to publish an **article on Prairie Striders** in its monthly magazine. Graves will write. Email him suggestions. Final copy due June 15.
- 6. Chuck Tiltrum provided information on the Gala Days run Aug. 6.

## Race director reports

- Steve Britzman reported 133 runners for the **Arbor Day 5K** April 29 and the event went fine. It is a city-sponsored event, so park and rec covers the cost.
- Shari Landmark 176 registered for the I'm Ready for Summer Triathlon April 30. Some didn't show because of cold weather, so there were 148 finishers.
- Justin Bonnema reported 78 runners for the **Scotty Roberts 5K** May 13 plus 20 in the kids run, which is handled by staff from the Children's Museum.
- Matt Bien provided a written report from the **Brookings Marathon** May 14. Highlights included an increase in marathon numbers, which is at least partially attributed to the addition of a pacing team. The plan is to add a 3:05 pacer in 2017 for young runners wanting to hit a Boston qualifying time. The 2017 date is proposed for May 13, the week after SDSU graduation, which parallels this year. The course also must be recertified this summer and Bien would like to eliminate the square around the Catholic Church, which twice puts runners through the 12<sup>th</sup> Street and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue intersection. Suggestions are welcome. The city isn't allowing use of the Dakota Nature Park.
- Rod DeHaven reported that this year's **Longest Day 10K** on June 17 will be a throw-back event using vintage Longest Day shirts. Cost is \$8 without a shirt, \$13 with a shirt. USA Olympics is asking groups to tie into this Olympic year and has provided the race with an Olympic flag and stickers to be given out at the children's race. Start time is 7:30 p.m. at Fishback Soccer Complex at Medary Avenue and 20<sup>th</sup> Street South.

Next meeting - noon, Aug. 2, at Mission Coffeehouse, First Lutheran Church. (July

meeting was canceled.)