

BARC MEETING 02-26-07

Present: Gary Scott, Mike Klosowski, David Cable, Dan Dobberstein, John Metivia, Ted Davenport, Vicki Willard, Ann Gasta, Linda Flues, Peg and Elliot Deyo, Mitch Miller, David Rau, Various students and staff from Hemlock Schools, and members of REACT.

The meeting opened up at 7:05 p.m.

Representatives from Hemlock gave details and asked questions concerning the Bill Agresta Scholarship Hustle race on March 31st. The course will be set up by them. Police have been contacted and confirmed to block traffic. Mitch will be doing the timing. Peg mentioned that six tables will be needed for registration since she will be helping out. The race is going to be a yearly event if this race is successful. There will be a concession stand provided at the race. Pepsi will provide water and juice to the participants. There will be water stations provided on the course.

Members of REACT discussed the corners they will cover for the St. Pat's race. They will have approximately 22 to 23 people out. Ann mentioned she has about 30 volunteers from the Red Cross to also help out. REACT will cover the more crucial areas to block traffic along with Hampton Police. The Red Cross volunteers will fill in where necessary.

A representative from Delta College asked Ted recently if BARC was interested in taking over the Delta Invitational Open Race. It would be run similar to a BARC race. For this year, the shirts that are for sale and the medals for awards will be provided by Delta. A motion was made to make the Delta Invitational Open Race a BARC race. Motion carried.

The Reese race for March 3rd is all set. This is the final one for this series of four and Foster Findlay should have the scoring all set and updated. Mitch will call him to make sure.

2007 St. Pat's update: Online registration at this point has a similar number registered as last year at this point. Gault race management's website had online registration problems that have now been corrected. It was discussed that in the future the link on Gault's site will default to the BARC website for online registration. The issue with comp entries was discussed. Decided already was to give last years winners (male and female overall in each race: 8k run, 5k run, 5k walk) comp entries but nothing further. Discussion was made to give comp entries to the Kayner family. A motion was made to give the immediate family and grandchildren of Al Kayner 2 comp entries and approximately 10 shirts. Motion carried. The Saturday Expo at the Bay County Community Center will be set up partially starting at 4:00 p.m. Friday night and the earliest anyone can get in on Saturday is 7:00 a.m. for set up. The expo will run from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. along with St. Pat's registration. Also on Friday night various members of BARC will help to get the race packets set for the race participants. On race day Sunday, no later than 8:00 a.m. will be when Cramer School will open up. Some stuff will be pre set up before like some tables. For the Leprechaun run on Saturday, Linda requested to get the bullhorn from

Mitch and also the local fire department will be there to help out at this race. Ann recently took part in a filming of a commercial for St. Pat's that will air on NBC 25. \$5,000 of air time was donated for this commercial. The race course will be marked by Linda. Gault race management will be doing the start for both the run and the walk. Mark Toragrossa from NBC 25 has agreed to be at one of the starting lines. The finish line area needs to be taken down by 1:30 p.m. The refreshments for the race will be provided by Coke and Meijer. Linda will be doing awards at 1:30 p.m. at Cramer School. The medal design was passed around along with plaque choices. A plaque design was agreed upon by a vote. All signs used at the race are the responsibility of whoever puts them up. Mitch will be looking at getting some BARC signs fixed up for the race. The porta-johns are all ordered and the safety pins are all set. Confirmation of the ambulance for the race has been confirmed. Some track and cross country runners from Bay City Central and Western will be helping out on Sunday where needed. Mitch has keys for the Cramer school on Sunday. Ann will be making up the course maps for the race to have ready for the race weekend. Mentioned was the idea of having people and/or signs at the Cramer School to direct the walkers and runners to the appropriate start areas.

David Rau of Lifestyle Plus in Gagetown mentioned he will be organizing a race on Sunday, July 15th at 1:00 p.m. in Gagetown. The race will be a 5k run/walk. The idea of the race is to promote healthy living. General ideas from BARC members were made to David concerning how to do awards, how many participants to expect, to have aid stations on the race course, and other helpful race information.

The next BARC meeting will be on Monday, April 23rd at 7:00 p.m. at the Y in Bay City.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Submitted by: Mike Klosowski, Secretary