

## **BARC MEETING: October 22, 2007**

Present: Peg and Elliot Deyo, Mallory McCracken, Mike Klosowski (Secretary), Mrs. and Mr. Greg Rankin (Vice President), David Cable (Director), Ted Davenport (President), John Metevia, Dan Dobberstein, Ann Gasta (Vice President), Linda Flues, and Gary Scott.

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.

Ann presented the treasurers report prepared by Bridget Looby. The treasurer's report was accepted.

John said he has all the registration forms made up for the BARC winter road races. A special medal will be given for doing all three BARC winter races. The special medals won't be ordered until after the first two races are completed so the quantity to purchase will be easier to estimate.

Linda presented the new BARC membership form she has been working on. The revised form has more details about the club and membership benefits. It was mentioned that the contract names that were on the form before will not be listed on the website. The new form was passed around for suggestions and many were given. Linda will revise the form and then get them printed out so they can be available at the races and on the BARC website.

Ted mentioned he contacted RRCA about renewing the registration for BARC but since the races for 2008 are not set yet, the registration is on hold. BARC needs to register soon.

Ted mentioned that the Footprints newsletter hasn't been published in a while and wondered why? Bridget Looby is now in charge of it and since she was absent from the meeting, no answer could be given. Ted mentioned he would call Bridget to find out what is going on.

Ted mentioned that BARC was talked about and well represented at many of the local cross country races such as the Delta Invitational, Reese Invitational, and the Heritage meet in Saginaw.

St. Pat's update: Ted mentioned how the club needs to be on the same page concerning the newly proposed out and back course. Gary said he was concerned about the proposed new course since the faster runners on their way back may be running into the slower runners and walkers. Peg mentioned she never got any complaints on the current course over the years. John mentioned he wasn't sure what the reasoning is for the possible course change but is not totally against it. Everyone mentioned ideas on how the course could be routed and such. It was decided that a special BARC meeting will be held on Saturday, November 10th after the awards ceremony of the Don Dansereau Memorial Scholarship Race where the St. Pat's course will be voted on. Ted mentioned someone

from the parade committee would like the races to go up to an earlier start time. Mentioned was the need to secure Cramer schools for the race day in case the new course won't be allowed. Ann mentioned that the Red Cross from Bay City has committed 30 people and the Saginaw Red Cross will be committing some people too. The State Theatre will not be charging BARC for the use of the theatre for St. Pat's. Nobody has talked to Leonard Block yet about the designs for the awards. Greg said he will leave a note on Leonard Block's door to call Ann. Ann passed around the St. Pat's logo for 2008 and suggested that could be the design for the shirts. Peg discussed some format ideas for the registration forms to make it easier at registration. Mentioned was the deal to give to runners and walkers that the first 500 people to pick up their packet and/or register at the expo will get a free pair of special design gloves. John mentioned that a sponsor should be on the design of the gloves. \$1,000 to get on the gloves was discussed. Ann will talk to some potential sponsors. Ideas were discussed about if the shirts for St. Pat's should be long or short sleeve. A motion was made to have the 2008 St. Pat's shirts be short sleeve. Motion carried. Ann mentioned a pasta dinner will be held at the Expo, details have not been finalized yet. Mentioned was NBC 25 will do a commercial and some live coverage. They may bump up their donation amount. Ted mentioned about how we should advertise and an idea brought up was to put a registration in the Bay City Times or Saginaw News two Sunday's before the race. John mentioned he has an advertisement contract through Saginaw Rd. Party Store and may be able to put an advertisement for St. Pat's through his connections.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the September 24, 2007 meeting. Motion carried.

Gary brought up if a few races on the schedule could be dropped or not. Peg said most of the races are making money. A lot of races are not a BARC race so those couldn't be eliminated anyway.

Mallory asked about if a ballot needs to be made up for the annual election to be held at the annual meeting on December 15th. Ted said that a ballot does need to be made up. Mentioned was if someone wants to run for an open seat on the BARC board the day of the election, someone will need to nominate them and two BARC members need to approve of it.

Mentioned was the need to add Dan Dobberstein to the website as a contact as he holds the position of Sergeant at Arms.

The Footprints newsletter was brought up again. The idea tossed around was to have the newsletter contain a link to the BARC website so people could access the race results and other information. This way the newsletter wouldn't be such a large file to e-mail and could focus more on stories.

The next BARC meeting will be held on Saturday, November 10th following the awards ceremony of the Don Dansereau Memorial Scholarship Race at the Bay Arenac ISD in Bay City.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Submitted by: Mike Klosowski, Secretary