

TUSCALOOSA TRACK CLUB
MINUTES OF THE
FIRST BOARD MEETING/ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
February 22, 2018

The 2018 First Board Meeting/Organizational Meeting of the Tuscaloosa Track Club was held at Black Warrior Brewery (upstairs) Tuscaloosa, AL 35401, on February 22, 2018.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. The following 2018 Officers/Committee Members were present: Tammy Denson, Deanna Steele, Helen Smith, Ricky Sparks, Ed Freeman, Jenelle Marsh, Richard Carroll, Alvin Niu, Andrea Hirst, Stephen Secor, Stan Smith, Jim Chesnutt, Roy Meeks, and Glenn Dodd. Michelle Robinson, Terri Huddleston, and Christie Ison were not in attendance.

President Denson introduced two (2) new committee members, Roy Meeks and Jim Chesnutt. Denson also asked if any of the present Board/Committee members knew of any other members that would be interested in serving on the 2018 Board. If so, please have them contact her.

The following items were covered:

1. Board/Committees:

A. Race Coordinators:

President Denson went over the duties of the Race Coordinators. There were discussions concerning meeting with Volunteers prior to race to go over their duties. It was suggested that we set up Finish Line Duties that could be given to Volunteers. Denson reminded all Coordinators to have Volunteers sign the Sign In Sheet and to take pictures of the Tabulation Sheets and Volunteer Sheet and send to Denson and Jenelle.

President Denson will send out an email to the Race Day Coordinator at least one week prior to the Race, attaching the Race Contract of the race they will be working so they can contact the Race Director.

2. Tuscaloosa Track Club Benefits

President Denson passed out the current benefits, and asked if anyone had any other suggestions for businesses that may want to provide TTC Members a benefit.

Denson did say that she had contacted most the Grand Prix Race Directors about offering our members a race discount. To date, she has received confirmation from 3 Race Directors that they will give a \$5 discount to all TTC Members (Hospice, Doctor's Day and Freaky Friday).

President Denson also stated that only 1 Race Director expressed interest in a Race Director's Workshop. It would not be worth the time and effort if we did not have at least 5 Race Directors that wanted to attend.

3. *Electronic Finish Line Arch*

Stan Smith explained a possible way to provide additional ways for Race Directors to make more money from Sponsors by offering the Start/Finish Line Structure to hang banners that they could charge to Sponsors. The Track Club would offer the additional structure for an additional charge. There was discussions from those attending asking anywhere between \$25 to \$100 charge. After a vote, \$75 was the majority amount chosen. President Denson will revise the Race Contract to include the additional charge.

4. *Upcoming Races and Suggestions for new Races*

It was tabled from our last meeting for Alvin to get back with the group on offering a Trifecta for our members by offering an additional medal to be awarded at the Banquet. Alvin reported he had talked to several members, and they were not interested, so we will not be offering a Trifecta Medal.

5. *Grand Prix*

President Denson suggested we set up a Grand Prix Committee to oversee and work with Glenn Dodd on the tabulations for the Grand Prix Awards. Denson asked if Stephen Secor would be on the Committee as well as 2 other members. Roy Meeks said he would also be on the Committee, along with Glenn. Glenn suggested Jenelle also serving, however, since Jenelle provides the service of recording all race cards from each race and then providing the tabulation to Glenn, she should remain on the Grand Prix Committee in that capacity alone.

It was discussed that the Grand Prix rules would be followed, with no exceptions. President Denson said that the Bylaws Committee met prior to the Organizational Meeting, and some provisions may be changed, but that will be sent to the GP Committee prior to amending the Bylaws.

It was also discussed about adding Volunteer hours to the listing on the website. Glenn will be working on how this would be done in conforming to the code already written.

6. *New Order for Members*

President Denson passed out the new items the membership will be provided for purchase. This will be the same as offered in the Summer, with the addition of jackets. Everyone agreed to offer the caps and polos, but did not like the options for the jackets. They would prefer a rain/wind jacket. Denson will go back to Lloyd Wagner for suggestions.

7. *Bylaw Revisions*

The Bylaws Committee, consisting of Alvin Niu, Helen Smith and Tammy Denson, met at 4:30 p.m. prior to the Organizational Meeting. Several provisions are needed to be made to the Bylaws in order to comply with the new age group divisions for 2018, with a few minor changes to the Grand Prix and Sponsor sections. Alvin Niu will provide a draft of changes to the Board/Committees. After all provisions have been approved by the Board, a notice will be sent to the Membership for voting.

8. *Financials*

Treasurer Ricky Sparks shared the financials with the group. We recently changed our bank accounts to Bryant Bank. The account with Alabama Credit Union will be closed. President Denson was waiting until funds were almost depleted before closing. Denson will go to Alabama Credit Union to begin the process of closing the account in the next two weeks. The two additional signers will be required to sign to close the account, and they will be notified to go by and sign documentation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

/s/ Tammy Denson _____

2018 President

/s/ Helen Smith _____

2018 Secretary