MID-FLORIDA MILERS WALKING CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING February 23, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

The MFM Board meeting was held virtually via Zoom. President, Cathy Metherell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. A quorum was present: Cathy Metherell, President, Dan Barnett, Vice President, Sharon Axelrod, Secretary, and Sharon Predham, Treasurer. Also in attendance were Mike Lanpher, Trailmaster and Dave Piatt, Membership Chair.

BUSINESS DISCUSSED

WAF30 (Nov 5-7, 2021)

WAF30 was planned for 2020 but was postponed due to COVID-19. Many of the details for 2020 had been put in place prior to the pandemic. Happy Wanderers, hosts of the WAF30 event, have requested a zoom meeting for Thursday, 2/25, with all three participating clubs, to review the items decided upon last year. In preparation for that meeting, MFM reviewed the following MFM tasks & responsibilities.

- MFM Treasurer will be acting treasurer for WAF30
 - The MFM current Treasurer, Sharon Predham, has acted as the treasurer for the last several WAF events and had agreed to WAF30. However, Sharon P. has recently announced that she will not be running for re-election this year. Therefore WAF30 Treasurer-TBD.
- Award and Design
 - Dan Barnett and Mike Lanpher had worked on this in 2020 and Dan said he will follow through for this responsibility in 2021.
- Volunteer Coordinator
 - Sharon Axelrod had agreed to this in 2020 and will continue that responsibility for 2021.
- Assist in preparation of one walk (if requested) TBD
- TAW Article last year MFM had agreed to do the first article for March. That time has passed; second article is for June, does John M. want to do that one?
- Attend Daytona Beach "on site" meeting & pre-walks (July/August?) Dan & Nancy and Sharon A. planning on it, and others-maybe
- Print part of instructions –Yes
- Attend Video meetings as scheduled –Yes
- Further items to be reviewed at the meeting on Thursday-FB page; Flyer; Brochure; TAW Sep; Volunteers
- MFM hosts WAF 31 (Oct/Nov 2022)

More than a year away but we should start looking at where we want to hold the event.

- Cathy suggested West Palm Beach area. We could do walks from WPB; Palm Beach, Boca, Lake Worth, Delray.
 - Cathy will start looking at hotels around the WPB area.
- Some other possibilities could be Lakeland area; Sebring/Lake Placid area.

- Annual MFM Membership Meeting
 - ✓ To be held via zoom May 11, 2021 at 4:00pm
 - Sharon A. will review the agenda from last year and will create a first draft for this year's meeting to share with the BOD.
 - Annual Awards: President's Award; Volunteer of the Year Award; Volkssporter of the Year Award.
 - Mike has used United Trophy to produce these plaques.
 - Certificates of Appreciation: Cathy has submitted to RD John McClellan
 - Elections: VP– Dan Barnett will be running for re-election; Treasurer– Sharon Predham will not be running for re-election.

Note: Also Mike Lanpher will be stepping down as Trailmaster. MFM will have these two open positions to be filled. Dan is drafting a notification to go out to all MFM members announcing these changes and the urgency to have members step up to fill these positions. With regard to Trailmaster, as we have stated in the past while looking for Trailmaster assistants, more than one person may assist with these responsibilities.

- The BOD will meet via Zoom on Thursday, March 18 at 6:00 to finalize details for the annual meeting.
- National Walking Week April 1 7

AVA held a webinar on February 16 announcing National Walking week April 1 through 7. National Walking Day, sponsored by the American Heart Association, is April 7. Starting this year AVA is requesting all Clubs to sponsor walks and a National Walking Week Proclamation in their local communities. AVA will provide certificates to be handed out to participating walkers; and encourages all Clubs to engage their communities and publicize locally.

Dan Barnett has checked with Orange County and City of Orlando about obtaining a Proclamation and we will not have time to do that this year.

- MFM will recognize National Walking Week at our scheduled, April 3 event, walking Downtown Orlando YRE
- We will advertise as we normally do via eNews, Sentinel, Group Works, MFM Face book and MFM website
- Dan Barnett will contact Hector at AVA to obtain certificates which we will hand out to walkers that day.
- AVA changes to their By-Laws will be voted on by each Club at the March webinar
 - MFM Board of Directors voted YES to the changes
 - Cathy Metherell will represent MFM and provide our vote at the webinar.

MFM next quarterly BOD meeting is scheduled for Saturday, April 10 at 10:30am

This meeting adjourned at 7:25pm

Sharon Axelrod, Secretary, Mid-Florida Milers