

**MID-FLORIDA MILERS WALKING CLUB  
QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING  
JANUARY 20, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The MFM Quarterly Board meeting was held virtually via Zoom. President, Cathy Metherell called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m. A quorum was present: Cathy Metherell, President, Dan Barnett, Vice President, Sharon Axelrod, Secretary. Also in attendance were Dave Piatt, Membership Chair, Jenny Thomas, Year-Round Event Coordinator, Howard Daughtrey, POC, Celebration YREs and Tom Carter, POC Maitland YRE.

**MINUTES**

Minutes from the October 14, 2022 BOD Quarterly Meeting were approved and accepted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Kent Allingham provided the following:

Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2022

- Checking Account \$ 3,982.92
- Total Assets \$10,667.98
- Net Income YTD \$ (392.70)

Monthly Income/Expense from 01/01/2022 to 12/31/2022

- Income \$5,755.91
- Expenses \$4,258.73
- Increase in Funds \$1,497.18

Year -Round Events for all 2022

- Cathy Metherell will check with Kent concerning Delray Beach and West Palm Beach

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Dave Piatt, Membership Chair, provided the following:

As of 1/19/2023 we have 54 memberships and 83 members. Membership remains steady.

**VOLUNTEER REPORT**

Volunteer Coordinator, Sharon Axelrod provided the following:

- 2023 Walk Schedule. We will have 5 Traditional Events this coming year and will need a POC and other volunteers to assist in the creation of the walks/maps, start-finish point, CPS, etc.
  - April 15 Wekiwa Springs: Dan will reach out to Michael Kirchner who revived the previous YRE for a Traditional Walk last year.
  - May 6 MFM Annual Meeting in Orlando: Cathy re-walked the 2015 Walk we did from 310 Lakeside Restaurant. Sharon has been in touch with the events Manager there and will reach out again with some further questions. Cathy suggested Buca di Beppo or Another Broken Egg (both in Winter Park). She will reach out to

- Another Broken Egg where we have had our annual meeting in the past on their screened porch area.
  - July 15 College Park: Dave P. offered to assist with this one. One of the most difficult items is where to hold the start/finish. Dave has some ideas he will look into.
  - October 21 Sanford: Dan will review some of the Sanford walks Mike Lanpher had created in the past. We will see about eating at Willow Tree following the walk and will be inviting the Happy Wanderers to join us for the walk and lunch.
  - November 24 Longwood: JoAnne Cross has been working on this in conjunction with the Longwood annual Fall festival.
- Letty Zook has stepped down from doing Publicity. We will need to advertise for a replacement
- Traditional Event Coordinator: We are still looking for someone to take the lead in the coordination of the 4 or 5 Traditional Events we would like to do each year. And we also need several more people to volunteer to assist in this effort.
  - Cathy Metherell will create a memo(s) to go out to our membership concerning these volunteer opportunities

## **YRE COORDINATOR UPDATE**

Jenny Thomas has replaced all the Celebration #1 Instructions and Map with the updated versions, which will accommodate the detour needed until repairs are completed on the section of Boardwalk impacted by Hurricane Ian.

## **ROUTES and TRAILS**

Cathy Metherell led the following discussion:

- Upcoming walks this quarter
  - Jan 21 LBV Disney Springs
  - Feb 4 Orlando South
  - Feb 18 I-Drive
  - Mar 4 Celebration #2
  - Mar 18 Maitland
  - Apr 1 Orlando Downtown

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Edit Changes to Bi-Laws
  - Dave Piatt offered to be the point person to receive all feedback. The latest version with changes will be sent to everyone for final review and comment.
  - Two Meetings have been planned for discussion
    - Feb. 10 (Friday) at 3:00pm
    - March 2 (Thursday) at 6:00pm
- WAF31 Photo Documentation
  - Dave has reviewed the Happy Wanderers WAF31 web site photos and recommended that we utilize what they have and copy to the MFM web site. Dave will reach out to David McCarthy, HW Webmaster.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- In person Annual Meeting for 2023 has been discussed. We are looking at a May 6 date at a restaurant following a Traditional Walk. The plated luncheon menu information we had received from 310 Lakeside restaurant, indicates the cost would run around \$37 - \$38 per person. There was concern that our members would not care to spend that much money to have a luncheon Annual Meeting. Several other area restaurants were mentioned, Buca di Beppo, Lukes, and Another Broken Egg. However, the consensus was all would probably cost around the same. The suggestion was made to look at renting a room somewhere for the meeting (i.e.; Orlando Library) and after go out somewhere for lunch on our own. Sharon A. will confirm a few more items with 310 Lakeside; Cathy will talk with Another Broken Egg; and we can all look at the rooms the Orlando Library offers, or check out other ideas that may be an option.
- Bus Trip to South Florida walks in early 2024 has been recommended by Cathy. Looking at a time when school is still in session. Cathy will be looking at available and affordable hotels. A "planning document" will need to be drafted as we go forward.
- Dave Piatt recommended The Club may want to do a test of the *Liquid Mode APP* mentioned in the recent AVA Checkpoint. Dave discussed using this latest Adobe Acrobat Read App which you can download PDF files onto your iphone, Android device, or ipad. The file will come out as a continuous document rather than a two column document like our walks our laid out. Could be used for OSB directions. Or even any walk directions if a walker would rather use their phone than paper. At this time there did not seem to be a lot of interest. We can look at this further if we hear more about Clubs utilizing the method and see how it works out for members.

***The next MFM quarterly BOD meeting will need to be scheduled for April, TBD.***

***Upcoming Meetings to discuss changes to the Bi-Laws:***

***Friday, February 10, at 3:00 p.m.***

***Thursday, March 2, at 6:00 p.m.***

This meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Sharon Axelrod, Secretary, Mid-Florida Milers Walking Club