

**MID-FLORIDA MILERS WALKING CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
FEBRUARY 15, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

The MFM Board meeting was held via Zoom. President, Cathy Metherell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present: Cathy Metherell, President, Sharon Axelrod, Secretary and Dan Barnett, Treasurer. Also in attendance were Dave Piatt, Membership Chair and Jenny Thomas YRE Coordinator.

Cathy Metherell presented the proposed 2024 Schedule of Walk Events.

[Previously decided: March 16 – Orlando Downtown, March 30 Winter Park]

- April 6: Orlando North YRE -This is during World Walking Week. Recommendation was made to mention this in the April brochure, encouraging our members to walk one or more of our Year-Round Events during the week.
- April 20: St. Cloud -This is a Traditional Event (TE) and must be sanctioned by 2/19. Cathy will contact the city concerning use of the picnic tables at that start and checkpoint. NOTE: Cathy has confirmed that the usage of the picnic tables are first come. Jenny Thomas is submitting the request for sanctioning.
- May 4: Lake Sumter YRE, The Villages
- May 18: Celebration #2 - This is the date we will have our Annual Membership Meeting. Cathy will check with the Town Tavern to see about a meeting space and lunch.
- June 1: Maitland YRE
- June 15: Disney Springs YRE
- June 29: Universal YRE – however, we may consider the Casselberry TE. Dan Barnett has re-walked the Casselberry TE from 2012 and confirmed the instructions for the 10K are still valid.
- July 6: Orlando North YRE
- July 20: Orlando Downtown YRE
- August 3: Celebration #1 YRE
- August 17: Altamonte Springs TE: The one we have in the Archives, starting from Starbucks and goes around Cranes Roost and through Altamonte Mall.
- August 31: Orlando South YRE
- September 7: Maitland YRE
- September 21: Lake Sumter YRE
- October 5: Lake Nona TE: Cathy will check the Archives. We did one walk here from the Veterans Center and one from the YMCA. October 5 will be the 35th Anniversary of The Mid-Florida Milers Walking Club. We will do a small celebration (cake and maybe a couple speeches about our journey since 1989).
- October 19: Celebration #1 YRE
- Nov 1 -3: Walk Around Florida 33, Palm Coast, FL
- November 16: Spanish Spring YRE, The Villages
- November 29: Winter Park YRE – This is Friday after Thanksgiving (Opt-out of shopping and go for a walk).
- December 7: Disney Springs YRE
- December 21: Celebration #2 YRE or maybe Kissimmee TE (check archives)

We reviewed the items needed for the TE on Saturday 2/17 at the Orlando Wetlands.

- JoAnne Cross will be at the event but will not be walking. She has offered to assist with whatever is needed at the pavilion during the walk.
- Disposable Table covers (John)
- Stamp (Paul)
- Registration Sheet (Sharon)
- Instructions (John)
- Raffle tickets (Tom)
- Raffle prize (Cathy)
- Checkpoint (Sharon)
 - Clipboard & Counter sheet & pen
 - Water
 - Fruit gummies

Update: Saturday was a very rainy day. We did have 17 walkers who attended and luckily the rain was mostly light, enough to need an umbrella at times but not too bad. Fortunately, we all made it back to the pavilion before the torrential downpour started, which began just as we got under cover. We had 7 folks who stayed to have their picnic lunches with us. We had a very successful raffle. We covered the cost of the pavilion and even made a \$1.00 profit. Thank you all for your generous donations. Fred Sheets was the winner of the 5 free MFM walk coupons!

Note: Dan and Nancy Barnett will be gone from March 4 to April 20, on a special vacation celebrating their 40th Anniversary. Have a wonderful trip!!
Cathy Metherell will collect the walk money and deposit at the bank during our Treasurer's absence.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm

Sharon Axelrod, Secretary, Mid-Florida Milers Walking Club