

**MID-FLORIDA MILERS WALKING CLUB  
QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING  
January 7, 2026**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The MFM Quarterly Board meeting was held via Zoom. President Cathy Metherell called the meeting to order at 6:00 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.

**MINUTES**

Minutes from the October 15, 2025 Quarterly Board Meeting were approved and accepted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer, Dan Barnett presented the following.

- Balance Sheet as December 31, 2025:
  - Checking Account           \$6,723.14
  - Business Savings Acct   \$1,524.97
  - Fairwinds CDs             \$5,665.19
  - Petty Cash                 \$   35.00
  - Membership Share         \$    5.00
  - Total all Assets=         \$13,953.30

Net Income YTD= \$ 144.99

- Financials from WAF 34:
  - \$5367.00 Collected
  - \$4074.55 Spent
  - =\$1292.45 Earned: Each club received \$430.82
  - FYI: \$560.00 was raised by the Basket Raffle

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Dave Piatt, Membership Chair, provided the following:

As of 1/06/2026 we have 41 memberships and 57 members. Last year at this time we had 50 memberships and 75 members.

**UPCOMING WALKS**

Traditional Events in the first quarter:

- January 17 @ Split Oak Forest:
  - Dan, Jenny & Cathy pre-walked and the instructions are ready.
  - Dan will bring his bike and put out some arrows that are necessary.
  - Dan has volunteered to work the Checkpoint. Cathy has volunteered to bring a wagon to carry the supplies out to the CP.
  - There are no restrooms at the start. However, if necessary, you can drive ¼ mile from the parking area to The Wildlife Refuge that opens at 9:00.

(A donation box is at the counter and a small donation is appreciated.)

- February 21 @ Lake Apopka Loop Trail
- March 21 @Tavares (WAF 31 walk)
- April 18 @ Orlando Wetlands
  - Cathy is checking on the Pavilion rental.
  - Possible pot luck lunch and annual meeting

Recommended Changes:

- Universal Studios:
  - 6K does not need to cross Vineland to cross Kirkman.  
The sidewalk continues on Left once you cross Kirkman.
  - Add pass-through to see the Butterfly Garden, which we go by on the walk.
- Disney Springs walk is being changed back to the pre-Covid route, to include the resorts, Saratoga Springs and Key West
- There is construction in process at the Town Center of the Spanish Springs walk at the Villages. Jenny will contact Jan Van Vlack to check on how long the construction will last and if it will be necessary to temporarily change walk instructions.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Fred Sheets has offered to do our audit for us. Cathy will check with him to make the arrangements.
- Cathy has had a discussion with the city of St. Cloud concerning the issue we had with them changing our reserved pavilion for WAF 34 which was scheduled months in advance. She said they were very cordial and apologized and admitted their mistake. They told her it was an internal error and that changes are being made to ensure all events will be on the city calendar going forward.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- After Action meeting for WAF34
  - Dan brought up the need to have a meeting with all three WAF Clubs to discuss actions and issues brought up during this past year's WAF.  
The recommendation was made to plan a meeting sometime in February via Zoom.
- There was some discussion about the possibility of having the First Coast Trailblazers join in the WAF rotation. The previous President of FCT had begun the discussion a while back. We will need to reach out to Bill Spaulding, the current President, to see if they are still interested.

The next Quarterly BOD Meeting will be due in April. Date and location to be determined.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Sharon Axelrod, Secretary, Mid-Florida Milers Walking Club