

Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch Club
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes. May 10, 2016

Meeting Called to Order: 7:33 pm

Attendees: Diane White, Alice Filemyr, Jeff Giddings, Jone Parr, Caroline Thurber, Pat Astill, Yvonne Pennington, Tony Laing

Minutes of the April Meeting: Adopted as amended.

Treasurer's Reports for April:

1. Income includes end-of-quarter YREs.
2. Expenses included the club donation to the AVA Big Give.

Membership Report: 3 new members since last report. 1 request to remove a member from the list.

Wellness Committee Report:

1. Carolyn Thurber requested that Jean Francis send a card to Kathy.
2. Jean Francis sent a card sent to Tony Laing for his leg surgery.

Sales Committee Report:

1. Brigitte DeHart did not attend.

Wednesday 5K Walks: The 5K walk schedule has been sent out.

Club Group Walks: Next scheduled walk; Odenton, Maryland YRE, May 21.

Old Business:

1. 30th Anniversary of Club Planning Committee - Yvonne Pennington

- a. Yvonne sent club logo ideas to Brigitte DeHart.
- b. Diane White sent an email to Brigitte DeHart, Tony Laing and Carolyn Thurber asking them to be on the committee.
- c. Jone Parr feels that the committee should have 5-6 members.
- d. Diane White will send an email to club members to request more volunteers for the committee.
- e. Carolyn Thurber said she will be on committee until she leaves on vacation.
- f. Diane White will list this item on the agenda for next meeting.

2. Audit Committee - Diane White

- a. Tony Laing and Heather Coxon agreed to be on the committee. Yvonne Pennington will observe the audit.

3. Cherry Blossoms, Spring Flowers - Bethesda - POCs Maribeth Evans and Joan Peterson

- a. 161 walkers total, 114 credit walkers.

4. Washington Grove/Old Town Gaithersburg.

- a. 144 walkers total, 111 credit walkers.

5. Big Give - Diane White

- a. Preliminary total - \$35,000. Counting will continue until the end of the month.

New Business:

1. Atlantic Region Ramblings #24 – Diane White

- a. Diane White read selected passages from the ARR #24.
- b. Alice Filemyr has registered with the IRS for club filings. Next filing is due between July and November.
- c. Volksmarching in the U.S.A. 40th anniversary, June 11 - local events in Fredericksburg Virginia and Laurel Maryland.
- d. Tom Jackson said to delay sanctioning 2017 events until after the next NEC meeting, in June.
- e. Tom said clubs should consider not sanctioning YREs that don't meet the 20 walker break-even point.

f. New 2016 events are doing well with participation.

2. MVA Meeting on April 23 - Carolyn Thurber

- a. Bob Schmick thanked the SVSVC for not billing the MVA for the Hagerstown walk expenses.
- b. The MVA is allocating \$250 to the new Antietam Pathfinders club in Hagerstown.
- c. The next MVA meeting will be on July 9. There will be a walk (Annapolis Amblers B&A trail YRE), lunch, then the meeting.
- d. There will be a discussion on the proposed new Start cards.

3. Other

- a. Carolyn Thurber will lead Brownie Troop 1890 on a walk next Thursday at Lake Needwood.
- b. The Antietam Pathfinders are working hard to get started. They have a president and treasurer, but are still looking for a secretary.
- c. The Antietam Pathfinders will take over the Shepherdstown, West Virginia YRE.
- d. They will sanction the Antietam National Battlefield walk, from the Hagerstown ARC, as a YRE.
- e. Lee Storm said that the trails inside the Asbury community are not sufficient for a walk at the next Annual Meeting.

Status of Planned Events:

1. June 4 – Germantown, Maryland – POCs Carolyn Thurber and Roseann Flyte

- a. All volunteer slots except 2 are filled
 - b. Walked both trails to check out instructions
 - c. Workers walk will be on May 22.
 - d. Wed walkers will walk the 5km trail.
2. POC for the Silver Spring seasonal event is Maribeth Evans.
 3. Carolyn sent brochures for the 2 events to Howard County.

Door Prize Drawing Winner: Jeff Giddings

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 pm