Minutes of Tamalpa Board Meeting
February 3, 2014

Members Present: Mike Holland, Rob Spinosa, Jim Myers, Kathy Johnson, Bruce Benter, Ana Braga-Levaggi, Lillie O'Reilly, Bill Neer, Tim Fitzpatrick, John Catts

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. The Agenda for the current meeting and Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and approved.

Regarding Membership, Lillie reported the following numbers from the previous month: 691 current members from 490 households, 54 renewals, 20 new members, and 36 memberships due for renewal which did not. There were three personal donations of approximately $10 each to the general club fund. Lillie introduced a new flier for prospective Tamalpa members that will be made available at local running stores, TCRS, and at other group gatherings.

Lillie expressed a desire for more respectful interactions between Board members at our meetings. She cited instances of what she felt to be a degree of dismissiveness on the part of certain others regarding some of her contributions to the proceedings. She emphasized how much she enjoys most of her club-related activities, but indicated that there was a limit to her tolerance for feeling like a less-than-full participant and somewhat taken for granted. There were numerous responses from other Board members, each without exception being effusive in their praise and appreciation for all that Lillie undertakes and executes so effectively on behalf of Tamalpa.

Rob went briefly over the monthly Treasurer's Report, noting that there was nothing out of the ordinary to bring attention to, and that the general trend remains On Budget and breaking even.

A re-cap of the recent Holiday Party from Kathy cited a total of 156 paid attendees, most of which were pre-paid. Income came to $4,177 and Expenses $4,945, and Rob and Kathy will work together on reconciling the final details. All agreed that it was a very successful party.

Details regarding the upcoming Couples Relay were scarce, but there was no indication that plans for the event were other than on course. The usual need for volunteers was made clear.

Dave Ripp has agreed to once again be Race Director for the Marin Memorial Day Races in May, and Ana will again obtain the necessary permits from the various jurisdictions. Rob is going to confer with Dave regarding the possibility of Rob's assumption of MMDR Director's responsibilities for 2015, including the potential of a key role for Rob this year as a transitional experience.

TCRS remains the Tamalpa Club Run Series, and it was on the Agenda just in case there was anything to discuss (there was not).

Bruce will coordinate food and details for the annual Awards Breakfast in conjunction with the April 27 TCRS in Lucas Valley. There were some ideas outlined for the traditional awards given to those who have done six or more TCRS runs during the previous year.

The Tamalpa Bobcats youth program is scheduled to begin in March. Details have been in the Gazette, and Tim says that Director Mary Churchill has been receiving encouraging response regarding participation.

The issue of where official Tamalpa clothing can be obtained remains somewhat in flux. Uncertainties at some locations of distribution have led to some unanswered questions at present. It appears possible that the Arch Rival stores, which have featured Tamalpa clothing in the past, may again be resuming that status.

The Gazette was also on the Agenda, and a general reiteration of how fundamental the need for current articles continues to be was the familiar theme.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Myers