



# **Prairie Striders™**

## **Running Club**

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**Tuesday, April 2, 2019**

Noon, Mission Coffeehouse meeting room

Present: Dave Graves, president; Jay Larsen, treasurer; Nancy Scholl, vice president; Bob Bartling, Matt Bien, Steve Britzman, Chuck Tiltrum.

1. Approved **March 5 minutes** for posting on website
2. **Friends of Baseball advertising** proposal (see handout). Declined to purchase an ad its summer ballgame program.
3. Update on **\$50,000 for 50 Years** — Jay Larsen reported that the last batch of donations brought the total to \$73,173. Our goal is \$75,000. Two new life members also have been added: Peder Solberg, White Bear Lake, Minn., and Kaylyn Gutormson, Bruce.
4. **Club's 50 anniversary:** — Because there is no home SDSU meet planned this fall, it was decided to hold a social/program following the Jack 15 on Sept. 28. Tentative hours are 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. with location to be determined.

We would like to have a gathering place close to the finish line (the Campanile).

So Nancy Scholl will check on Craft restaurant, SD Art Museum downstairs and the Ag Heritage Museum.

Jay Larsen is to check on the Alumni Center and Dave Graves will check on Club 71 at the FB stadium and the Champions Room at Dana J. Dykhouse Student-Athlete Center.

5. **Charitable donations from the club** — Jay Larsen

On a unanimous voice vote, it was agreed to donate **\$2,500 to SDSU Athletics** for a trophy case in the San-Jack. Luke Leischner, former track athlete, is building four large trophy cases at cost. Coach Rod DeHaven would eventually like to have 8-12 trophy cases. The donation will be recognized on the trophy case.

Funds will come from the Reed Hart Estate gift, which after a good March stands at \$24,642, a gain of nearly \$2,000 since December 31, 2018.

Included in this discussion was an interest in **creating a set of guidelines** to help in consideration of future donations. Hence, at the May 7 meeting Jay Larsen is to report on donations since the fund was created in December 2014. Members also are asked to offer suggestions and bring donation guidelines from other organizations to which they belong. Jay Larsen said the SDSU SanJack trophy case donation is the first donation from the fund it was created in December 2014

5. Training on **Daktronics timing board** was directed Jay Larsen. Unfortunately, we were challenged in resetting the clock. (That's why we do it before race season begins. ☺ ) Chuck Tiltrum connected us with a Daktronics customer service rep who helped Jay in testing programs. Jay reset the starting time minutes and seconds to correct the start problem on programs 1 and 2. Jay will produce a new set of written directions.

### **Miscellaneous**

1. **Librarian's report** — Bob Bartling reported that the student assistant who had been transferring wrestling file card information to an electronic database has taken another job. The library is looking to replace this work-study position.
2. **Newsletter** — Post marathon edition planned

### **Race director reports**

• **Arbor Day 5K** April 26 — Steve Britzman reported that advertising and press releases went out April 1. He has met with John Blatchford, who will co-directing and be director.

• **I'm Ready for Summer Triathlon** April 27 — Shari Landmark — no report

• **Brookings Marathon weekend** May 10-11 — Matt Bien reported that marathon numbers are way up — now at 193. The goal is to break the record 233 finishers. There are still five openings in the half marathon. Marathon relays are full. In observance of the 50<sup>th</sup> running of the marathon, past champions and 1970 entrants will be recognized at finish area. Cake, SDSU ice cream and live jazz by Dakota Jazz Collective will be race afternoon at the Nine bar in downtown Brookings. Chuck McCullough is directing the 5K.

***Next meeting – noon, May 7 at Mission Coffeehouse, First Lutheran Church***