

# Traverse City Track Club Meeting

## 12-13-06

Board Members Present: LaPlaca, Taylor, Jenkins, Doherty, Wojtowicz, Kostrzewa, Burns  
Present: M. Witkop, H. Witkop, Yeager, Petty, Rouse, Tiberg, Golden  
Meeting called to order at 7:00PM at the Hagerty Center

### Minutes

1. Approved minutes from the 09-21-06 meeting.
2. Financial report submitted by LaPlaca. *Treasurer's report was approved.*
3. Sarah Golden would like to continue overseeing a shoe fund for runners in need. She asked TCTC for ideas and support. *It was agreed that the shoe fund would have an account under the auspices of the TCTC's 501 3C.* The shoe recipients are normally the result of their coach's request or recommendation. A need to formalize and standardize getting this information to area running coaches was noted. *A motion was then made by Taylor / seconded by Wojtowicz to give the shoe fund \$2000 plus promotional expense to set up the fund. Motion carried.*
4. Nate Rouse & Mike Tiberg were recognized for their last two years of service on the TCTC board with gift certificates from Running Fit.
5. Board responsibility/TCTC Sponsored Races, and the need for guidelines and standards to be adhered to, was discussed. *LaPlaca agreed to spearhead a committee to write guidelines. M. Witkop and Rouse agreed to work on the committee also.*
6. Jenkins and LaPlaca started research on an Endowment Fund to enhance and perpetuate the charitable work TCTC already does to support running/walking oriented recreational and wellness efforts. There was lengthy discussion, and numerous ideas about the direction TCTC should pursue. *It was agreed that we needed more information and answers to questions, before we could make a decision.* Avoiding conflict of interests was noted. Kostrzewa was asked to get more information/answers concerning the GT Regional Community Foundation.
7. Donation Request:
  - A. Grand Traverse Conservation District request for donation towards construction of the new Boardman River Nature Center. *Request approved - \$5,000.*
8. Summer Race Series – The summer race series will continue and the need for some of the publicity and race results/standings, as previously done, was noted. *Dan Yeager has graciously volunteered to head up the Summer Series for 2007.*
9. January Speaker. A couple of Dave's earlier leads have fallen through. Runners from the Hanson's Group or The Penguin were a couple of names being tossed around. *Taylor will keep us posted.*
10. Bryan Burns is the new Bayshore Race Director and his Board position will need to be filled.
11. The Cherry Festival Race is not a TCTC sponsored race and we are not interested in pursuing taking on that task. Some track club members have been suggested to the Cherry Festival Group as possible consultants, but that is the extent of TCTC involvement.
12. Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Kostrzewa