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## **Agio Technology's CEO Donates \$10K in Charity Race Challenge**

### *CEO Bart McDonough Takes Top Spot in His Age Division*

NORMAN, OK-- – Sept. 20—Agio Technology CEO Bart McDonough put his money where his mouth is at the second annual Defeat Diabetes 5K Run this past weekend.

Weeks prior to the race, Mr. McDonough issued a challenge to the University of Oklahoma's athletic department staff that he would donate \$1,000 to the Harold Hamm Oklahoma Diabetes Center for each OU athletic department coach or staff member who would beat him in the September 17th race.

As it turned out, the coaches and athletic department staff members were busy with games and other events over the weekend, but 20 of the school's non-athletic department employees donned "Beat Bart Challenge" T-shirts and tried to sprint past the 35-year-old technology executive.

Mr. McDonough clocked 19:49 gun time in the race, finishing in first place in his division (men in the age group of 35 to 39) and 13<sup>th</sup> place overall. Over 800 people participated in this year's race -- a 45 percent increase from the prior year -- including over 600 runners, 100-plus walkers, and 150 volunteers.

Although none of the challengers were able to beat Mr. McDonough, he donated \$10,000 to the diabetes center anyway. In all, this year's race raised \$60,000 in donations that will go toward diabetes prevention and detection programs.

"Each race participant, our eight Agio runners included, showed that we are committed to crushing diabetes. With Oklahoma last in the nation in so many health markers, it's imperative we eat right and move often and do what we can to battle this debilitating disease," said Mr. McDonough, whose company provides managed IT services to the nation's premier hedge funds. "In addition to supporting the cause, this race officially kicked off our company's commitment to make Agio one of the healthiest workplaces in the state of Oklahoma."

Ryan Fightmaster, the race's organizer, added: "I left this race energized and ready to build on the momentum we created this year. When I look down and see kids with their insulin pumps and families walking together I know that we are making a difference. Our relationship with Agio, and our mutual commitment to bring a healthy lifestyle to our state, has only just begun."

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