



### **UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING**

November 9, 2020- 7 pm at Boilermaker Offices

Meeting Open to all members-Vote for 2021 Board

-Call meeting to order.

-Accept minutes of last meeting

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **Activities & Events – Melanie Crisino**

###### **1. Races**

**New Year's Day 5k Membership Drive-Bill Callahan**-January 1, 2021 (Accelerate?)

**SOS - Mike Kessler**-Any updates?

**“Santa” Sizzle-Jim Mott-(December 1-23)** The 12 Runs of Christmas. Registration open-\$37 covers the 3 week event that culminates in Syracuse at USA Racing on December 22<sup>nd</sup> and December 23<sup>rd</sup> in Utica at The Sneaker Store. Great swag available with gift cards and specials from Saranac.

**Falling Leaves – Mike Brych**-Last of shirts are being distributed and some are being shipped. Special thank you to all those who volunteered for the packet pick-up days at The Sneaker Store.

**Skeleton Run – Rick Gloor/Melanie Crisino-**

Still getting great feedback. We will need to contact Deerfield soon to determine their willingness to host us for future events. We will continue to maintain some kind of run in October at Pumpkin Junction.

**9/11 Never Forget Run/Walk 5k- Phil Trzcinski/Alex Gonzalez – Sunday, November 8, 2020-** Live Event capped at 50 runners. Course was set up nicely. We ended up with about 70 total registrants. Now we have to consider how we will grow this event into 2021.

**Safety Run- Tuesday, November 24- 6 pm-Mike Kessler/Melanie Crisino-** All set for a

start at The Fitness Mill and finish at Pizza Boys. It will be an out and back two-mile run. People will be asked to have masks and maintain social distance. We will have a sign in at The Fitness Mill with a waiver to sign for each participant.

**Run 2 End World Hunger – Rocco Fernald**-A RunSignup page has been set up and is now live. We have permit from City of Utica. There will be three runs, Wednesday-Friday capped at 50 people each day. Runners will have a three hour window to run and drop off their canned goods. There will be no day of race registration. We need a lead contact person each day. That needs to be determined ASAP. Volunteers will also be needed each day.

## **2. Activities**

**Thursday Night Fitness Mill Runs-Wendy Bowers**- Fitness Mill is open. Runners are not doing group runs at this time. Is there any change on this?

**UR Triple Crown-Mad Mile, Marcy 5k & Living History 5k-Tim Kane**

**Bus Trip- It's A Wonderful Run**-Jen Bachelder-Ideas for 2021?

**Boilermaker Training Program- Melanie Crisino**- Thoughts on 2021-American Cancer Society with their Determination project will team up with our program for 2021. It would bring us new members and opportunities for "Bucket List" running adventures. During the month of October 2020 we raised money with the Real Men Wear Pink program-a big success.

**Development Runs- Ashley Mancini**-start thinking of 2021. Ideas to get runners excited about next year.

**Youth XC Training Program- Nate Getman**-Cancelled for 2020-No Virtual Camp.

**Grand Prix – Gary LaShure**- 2021? Ideas?

**Scholarships – Anne Mare Latshaw/Andrew Rubino**- Progress with online application process in place with our website?

**Volunteers –Alex Gonzalez**-Discussion on Red Jackets and volunteer points for 2020. Where do we stand on determining this and awards for Banquet 2021 if we are able to have one? People have done some very noteworthy things this year.

**Social – Melanie Crisino**- Latest was at Woodland Farm Brewery in Utica.

**CNY Running Club Cup – Bill Callahan**-

**Diversity Committee**- Alex Gonzalez-Virtual Meeting is set up for Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

## **Administration & Finance – Rocco Fernald**

- **Financial – Lisa Walchusky**- Thoughts on transition to our new person in 2021?

- **Merchandise** – Sharon Scala- Anything new?
- **Equipment Rental** – Dennis Johnson-
- **Membership** – Jen Bachelder- Numbers for 2020-Plans to jump start 2021?
- **Facebook & PR, Webpages**-Jen Bachelder, Andrew Rubino, and Bill Callahan- We maintain a great presence here.
- **Clubs & Organizations Liaison** – Rick Gloor, Tim Kane (RRCA) -A lot can be gained by our membership in RRCA and USATF. With more USATF members we have a better chance of getting a USATF event for 2021. We should do a push in next newsletter.
- **Sponsorship**- Rocco Fernald- Thoughts on 2021?

### **New and Old Business**

**HEART RUN & WALK PROPOSAL**- Talks are ongoing. Big announcement coming soon this month. Melanie and Jim will be meeting with Committee later this month. New courses are being discussed.

**2020 BANQUET**- Thoughts on how, when and where?

**Announcement of new Board members!**

**Next Meeting** – December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – 7 pm at Boilermaker Offices-Election for Officers for 2021.