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# UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, September 12, 2022 6:00 pm, Boilermaker Headquarters

Board Attendance:

Meeting called to order at:

Motion to accepted by email previously of last meeting and posted

**INITIAL BUSINESS:**  Congratulations to Phil and Alejandro on producing and directing a wonderful event with our Second Annual T2T! Everything about the day was amazing. Mayor Palmieri participated and certainly wants to do his part with the city to make the event bigger and better in 2023! Great job guys and thank you to all you volunteered and participated!

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Activities & Events –Andrew Rubino

* + Races - 2022
    - **New Year’s Run** at Accelerate - Jen Bachelder
    - **The UR Six Pack -** Jim Mott
      * The bundle has closed. We had 90 people sign up.
      * Swag Pickup dates and times
    - **Save Our Switchbacks** - Sharon Scala
      * April 8, 2023
    - **Summer Sizzle** - Jim Mott
      * Proctor Park - Sunday, June 18, 2023
    - **Falling Leaves -** Mike Brych
      * Sunday, September 25th. Registration is now open. FL(14k only) is now an RRCA state championship event! Over 600 registered. We will need a transition team to take over in 2023. Andrew has expressed interest. Mike has been injured and will need extra assistance at the race.
    - **Skeleton Run -** Rick Gloo
      * Sunday, October 16th at Deerfield Town Park. Individual registration is currently not open. Rick may be stepping away from his role as RD-Rob Kapfer has expressed interest.
    - **Run 2 End World Hunger -** Rocco Fernalld
  + Virtual Events
    - **Scavenger Hunt**
      * The future of the event is in question.
    - **FIVE after FIVE** - Jen Bachelder
      * This event has brought a new identity to the club. Do we try to include a LIVE event for 2023?
  + Activities - Limited
    - Boilermaker Expo table and volunteers
      * We will need to lead this initiative in 2023.
    - Safety Run - Sharon Scala
      * Ashley Mancini will be helping Sharon with this event at MCC. We are looking to create a 5k with a 2 mile walk option. The course needs to be developed soon. The 5k option has been approved by MCC. Sharon will meet with MCC on Tuesday
    - Scholarships - Andrew Rubino
      * Updates for 2023?
    - Boilermaker Training Program - Dorothy Massinger
      * Reflections as we look forward to 2023.
    - Youth XC Training Program - Nate Getman
      * Program has been very successful.
    - Grand Prix - Gary LaShure
      * Event schedule continues.
    - CNY Running Club Cup - Tim Kane
      * Cup events have been updated and posted.
      * Andrew is in the process of purchasing travel mugs for participants
      * UR Oktoberfest Marathon-too many moving pieces will limited time has forced us to shelf this event to 2023. Steve from Saranac has stepped away from his role as Event Coordinator.
    - Development Runs - Ashley Mancini
      * Two more to go-shirts will be distributed this week.. Thank you to Ashley and all the volunteers. Initial thoughts for 2023?
  + Activities - Ongoing
    - Volunteers - Jenn Stefka
      * Jenn has taken over the lead as volunteer coordinator. Updates?
      * How many people are going for a red jacket?
    - Social - Danielle Bliss and Sharon Scala
      * Happy Hour for October?
      * New social events calendar?
      * Reflections for biking event
    - Banquet and Awards
      * 2023 plans? We need someone to take the lead
    - Thursday Night Fitness Accelerate - Wendy Bowers.
      * Let’s make an effort to attend one soon. It would be a nice gesture.
  + UR Supported Events
    - **Tunnel to Towers Utica 5k** - Phil Trzcinski/Alex Gonzalez
      * See above. Such a great event with unlimited potential!
    - **Trenton Fish and Game Club Trail Run**
      * Event went well with over 40 people participating. We will continue to try and support and help this event grow..
    - **Grateful for Graham 5k**
      * April 30th, 2023
  + Committees
    - Diversity Committee - Alex Gonzalez/Melissa Barlett
      * **Run Against Racism**
        + Check presentation has taken place.
    - Virtual Speaker Series/Nutrition and Wellness - Rick Gloo
      * Thoughts on new speakers for the end of 2022?
    - Blood Drive - Andrew Rubino
      * August 9th- 1-6 pm at Accelerate was cancelled. Looking at a new date for the winter.

### Administration & Finance – Sharon Scala

* + Financial - Open currently
    - Report
    - Discussion about hiring a Bookkeeper (~$3000/year)
  + Merchandise - Sharon Scala
    - Sharon has created some great new hats that are $20! Still some left.
  + Equipment and Rental - Phil Trzcinski
  + Membership - Rebecca Aceto
    - Numbers are still up. We are at 537 - up from 496 in 2021!
  + Webpage/Race Calendar - Melissa Barlett/Andrew Rubino
    - Melissa did a great deal of work updating the page - thank you!
  + Facebook & PR - Jen Bachelder/Andrew Rubino
  + Clubs & Organizations Liaisons - Rick Gloo, Tim Kane (USATF and RRCA)
  + Sponsorship - Julie Buehner
    - Utica First will continue their $5,000 level in 2022.
    - We have in-kind sponsorship deals currently with The Fitness Mill, and Accelerate Sports.
    - Bank of Utica just agreed to a $1,000 sponsorship.
    - This area needs to be truly addressed moving into 2023.

## OLD BUSINESS

* Board of Directors election coming up - be sure to send your bio to Jenna if you are rerunning

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Next Meeting: Boilermaker Headquarters, 6pm, Monday, October 10th, 2022**