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# UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, June 12th, 2023 6:15 pm, Boilermaker Headquarters

Board Attendance:

Meeting called to order at:

Motion to accept minutes from last meeting:

**INITIAL BUSINESS**

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Activities & Events – Rebecca LaPorte

* + **Races**
		- **The UR Four Pack -** Andrew Rubino
			* Looking at Sizzle for Swag pickup - confirm with USA Racing
		- **Save Our Switchbacks** - Vacant
			* need a new race director - Any ideas, let’s start to advertise
		- **Summer Sizzle** - Jim Mott
			* Proctor Park - Sunday, June 18, 2023
			* Registration is open
			* Need to identify a co-director who can potentially become the race director for 2024
		- **Falling Leaves -** Andrew Rubino
			* Registration opens Boilermaker weekend
			* September 24, 2023
			* Working on securing an indoor space for registration (Marriott, Landmark)
		- **Skeleton Run -** Rob Kapfer
			* October 15, 2023
			* No additional updates
		- **Run 2 End World Hunger (Rebecca/Mason 2023)**
			* Will start planning more in July
		- **New Year’s Run** at Accelerate - Jen Bachelder
	+ Virtual Events
		- **FIVE after FIVE** - Melissa/Matt/Jim
			* Event was a ton of fun and generated some new relationships
* Activities - Limited
	+ Scholarships - Travis Olivera
		- We have 10 Applications!
		- Travis, Erik, and Mason are on board for reading apps
		- Awards need to be ordered
		- Ceremony is Wednesday June 21
	+ Boilermaker Training Program - Erik/Wendy/Matt
		- over 70 signed up, all are club members
		- Volunteers for water station and safety (Sat. 7:30 AM)
		- Frankie Run is June 24th
		- Continue to explore additional course routes
	+ Boilermaker Expo table and volunteers
		- Expo received UR request for a table and it in process
		- https://kesslerpromotions.com/vendors
	+ Grand Prix - Gary LaShure
		- Currently updated through 5/21/23 races
		- Completed
			* Erie Canal Races 10 miler - 5/21/23
			* Patriot Run - 6/11/23
		- Upcoming:
			* Summer Sizzle - 6/18/2023
			* Boilermaker - 7/9/2023
	+ CNY Running Club Cup - Tim Kane
		- 2023 Cup schedule:
			* ~~Fort to Fort 5K &10K, Rome (April 2)~~
			* ~~Towpath Trail 5K & 10K, St. Johnsville (May 13)~~
			* ~~Patriot Run 5K & 10K, Rome (June 11)~~
			* Sundae Run 5K & 10K, Richfield Springs (July 16)
			* Woodsmen's Run 10K, Boonville (August 18)
			* Falling Leaves 5K & 14K, Utica (September 24)
	+ Development Runs - Ashley Mancini
		- Fairly consistent attendance
		- Results being posted weekly within 2 days of run
		- 1 week canceled due to Air Quality
	+ Youth XC Training Program - Nate Getman
		- July 6, 13, 20 at the Whitesboro Middle School
		- July 27 and August 3 at the High School Track
		- Shirts in process of being ordered
		- 150 registered with cap of 200 participants; two sessions separated by age
* Activities - Ongoing
	+ Volunteers - Jenn Stefka & Rebecca LaPorte
		- Race directors should notify coordinator three weeks before race/event for help with volunteers
		- Order red volunteer shirts
	+ Social - Sharon Scala
		- Last Happy Hour at Saranac went well
		- Next happy hour/event?
	+ Banquet and Awards - Jenna Stefka/Melissa Barlett
		- no report
	+ Thursday Night Runs - Wendy Bowers
		- Runs from the Mill Family Fitness Center in New York Mills 5:45pm
		- Mill Family Fitness Center offers $100 track with access to shower/locker rooms
		- Andrew possible membership deal on hold
* UR Supported Events
	+ **Tunnel to Towers Utica 5k** - Phil Trzcinski/Alex Gonzalez
		- August 20, 2023
		- Registration is open
	+ **Trenton Fish and Game Club Trail Run-Rob Kapfer**
		- August 6, 2023
		- Registration open
		- $35
	+ **Grateful for Graham 5k**
		- Nothing additional to report at this time
* Committees
	+ Diversity Committee - Melissa Barlett/Michelle Truett
		- **Run Against Racism**
			* Saturday, June 17th
			* Registration is open
			* Still looking for additional volunteers
	+ Blood Drive - Andrew Rubino
		- Monday June 26 - 1pm to 6pm at American Legion in North Utica

### Administration & Finance – Melissa Barlett

* + Financial - Travis Olivera
		- Report submitted
		- update on tax reimbursement form
		- remember to use the reimbursement form
	+ Merchandise - Sharon Scala
		- Hats are in the trailer - what will we do with them?
		- Follow up with Sharon with new Sneaker Store Merch
		- Online store with USA Racing in the works
	+ Equipment and Rental - Phil Trzcinski
		- Trailer Status
		- Generator purchased
		- Remove trailer on August 12 for the purple heart show
	+ Membership - Rebecca LaPorte
		- Currently 422 members, 267 memberships
		- 2022 - 509 members and 320 memberships
	+ Webpage/Race Calendar - Melissa Barlett/Sharon
		- Remember to email Melissa at docbarlett@gmail.com to update
		- Tryntjie Chrysler offered to help with updates
		- Update pages for summer track program
		- Add Falling Leaves to banner
		- Update leadership page - remove Greg, add Sarah
	+ Facebook & PR - Jen Bachelder/Andrew Rubino
		- Jen will continue Facebook - contact her
		- Riggi Run and Connor’s Way buying ads for Splitimes
	+ Clubs & Organizations Liaisons - Melissa Barlett/Erik Winberg (USATF and RRCA)
		- Shoe recycling program
	+ Sponsorship - Sarah Harrison

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* Sitrin Stars & Stripes Riggie Run & Festival - October 8th - SUNY Poly
	+ Looking for assistance in boosting their participation
		- Spitimes Ad and FB posts, presence at DRuns
	+ Proceeds go to the Sitrin Miliary Program which provides comprehensive, complimentary care to post-9/11 veterans and service members affected by post-traumatic stress and other combat-related conditions.
	+ <https://www.sitrin.com/veterancare/militaryrehabilitation/>
* Suggestions for who to fill open board seats

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* Announcements

Meeting adjourned at

**Next Meeting: July 10th 2023 at Boilermaker Headquarters - 6:15 pm**

**Future meeting dates:**

* August 14th
* September 11th
* October 9th
* November 13th
* December 11th