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# UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, May 8th, 2023 6:00 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
      * Working on swag distribution date
    - **Save Our Switchbacks** - Vacant
      * need a new race director
    - **Summer Sizzle** - Jim Mott
      * Proctor Park - Sunday, June 18, 2023
      * Registration is open
      * Jim is working on a partnership with the 72 Tavern as a major sponsor for the race
    - **Falling Leaves -** Andrew Rubino
      * September 24, 2023
      * Working on securing an indoor space for registration (Marriott, Landmark)
    - **Skeleton Run -** Rob Kapfer
      * October 15, 2023
    - **Run 2 End World Hunger (Rebecca/Mason 2023)**
      * Received thank you letter
    - **New Year’s Run** at Accelerate - Jen Bachelder
  + Virtual Events
    - **FIVE after FIVE** - Melissa/Matt
      * Event started May 5 fun 5k route and happy hour
      * Event will continue until May 20
* Activities - Limited
  + Scholarships - Greg Jerome
    - Call for candidates is live on website and with school districts
    - Travis, Erik, and Mason are on board
    - Only 1 application so far!!
  + 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
  + Boilermaker Expo table and volunteers
    - Expo received UR request for a table and it in process
    - https://kesslerpromotions.com/vendors
  + Grand Prix - Gary LaShure
    - Completed
      * Mad Mile
      * Fort to Fort
      * Save Our Switchbacks
    - Upcoming:
      * Erie Canal Races 10 miler - 5/21/23
      * Patriot Run - 6/11/23
  + 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
    - DRuns will start May 10, 2023
  + 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
    - Requesting shirts
* 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
    - Follow up with Sharon
  + Banquet and Awards - Jenna Stefka/Melissa Barlett
  + 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 working on a possible membership deal
* 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**
    - April 29th, 2023
    - Report
* Committees
  + Diversity Committee - Melissa Barlett/Michelle Truett
    - **Run Against Racism**
      * Saturday, June 17th
    - Registration is open
  + 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
    - Budget Meeting
    - update on tax reimbursement form
    - Tax form approval
    - Policy needed for tax exempt forms, reimbursement of tax paid
  + Merchandise - Sharon Scala
    - Hats are in the trailer
    - Follow up with Sharon with new Sneaker Store Merch
  + Equipment and Rental - Phil Trzcinski
    - Trailer Status
    - Generator
    - 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](mailto:docbarlett@gmail.com) to update
    - Tryntjie Chrysler offered to help with updates
    - Update pages for summer track program
    - Remove G4G
    - Add RAR link to DRuns to banner
    - Update leadership page
  + Facebook & PR - Jen Bachelder/Andrew Rubino
    - Jen will continue Facebook
  + Clubs & Organizations Liaisons - Melissa Barlett/Erik Winberg (USATF and RRCA)
    - Shoe recycling program
  + Sponsorship - Sarah Harrison

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* Urban Run Utica - April 22, 2023
  + The event was well attended and looks to continue

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* Sitrin Stars & Stripes Riggie Run & Festival - October 8th - SUNY Poly
  + Looking for assistance in boosting their participation
  + 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/>
  + Next planing meeting May 11 at Noon at Sitrin - possibly virtual
* Suggestions for who to fill open board seats
* Announcements

Meeting adjourned at

**Next Meeting: June 12th 2023 at Boilermaker Headquarters - 6 pm**

**Future meeting dates:**

* July 10th
* August 14th
* September 11th
* October 9th
* November 13th
* December 11th