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# UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, December 11th, 2023 6:15 pm, Boilermaker Headquarters

Board Attendance:

Meeting called to order at:

Motion to accept minutes from last meeting:

**INITIAL BUSINESS**

* Welcome back to the board Phil and welcome new Board Member Frank Vellone
* Motion to accept Andrew Hartnett to the board

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Activities & Events – Rebecca LaPorte

* + **Races**
		- **The UR Four Pack -** Andrew Rubino
			* Final date for swag pick up - January 1st, 2024
			* We have designs for SOS and FL
			* Working on RunSignUp
		- **Save Our Switchbacks** - Melissa Barlett & Sarah Harrison
			* April 20, 2024
		- **Summer Sizzle** - Jim Mott & Travis Olivera
			* Include on Nov. membership meeting agenda
		- **Falling Leaves -** Andrew Rubino
			* September 22, 2024 - 50th Anniversary
			* Reviewing and starting to solicit sponsors
		- **Skeleton Run -** Rob Kapfer
			* Need 2024 date before December 31, 2023
		- **Run 2 End World Hunger –** Rebecca LaPorte Mason Hedeen
			* Wonderful job!
			* Over 400 finishers
			* 1400 pounds of food were donated!
			* Thoughts for next year?
		- **New Year’s Run** at Accelerate – Melissa Barlett
			* Accelerate will continue to host
			* Advertise $50 track deals - rolling membership
			* Need to push advertising
	+ Virtual Events
		- **FIVE after FIVE** – Jim Mott & Melissa Barlett
			* Continue discussion the future of the event
* Activities - Limited
	+ Scholarships - Travis Olivera
		- Planning/activity will resume February 2024.
	+ Boilermaker Training Program - Erik/Wendy
		- Tentative start mid February 2024
		- In-door location
		- Speakers
	+ Boilermaker Expo table and volunteers
		- https://kesslerpromotions.com/vendors
	+ Grand Prix - Gary LaShure
		- No Report
	+ CNY Running Club Cup - Tim Kane
		- Meeting with Cup Captains in January
	+ Development Runs - Ashley Mancini
		- No Report
	+ Youth XC Training Program - Nate Getman
		- No report
* Activities - Ongoing
	+ Volunteers - Rebecca LaPorte
		- Updates?
		- Continue discussion for volunteer incentives
	+ Social - Melissa Barlett & Rebecca LaPorte
		- Discussion of January Happy Hour
	+ Banquet and Awards - Jenna Stefka/Melissa Barlett
		- Continue discussion about date – consider early March 2024
		- Who is on the committee
	+ Thursday Night Runs - Wendy Bowers
		- Runs from the Mill Family Fitness Center in New York Mills 5:45pm
		- Runs are still occurring and need to advertise in Splitimes and FB
		- Run 3-4 miles for a variety of terrain and meet at Packy’s after at 7:00
* UR Supported Events
	+ **Tunnel to Towers Utica 5k** - Phil Trzcinski/Alex Gonzalez
		- August 19, 2024, 9am Start
	+ **Trenton Fish and Game Club Trail Run-Rob Kapfer**
		- Report
	+ **Grateful for Graham 5k**
		- April 27, 2024
* Committees
	+ Diversity Committee - Melissa Barlett/Michelle Truett
		- **Run Against Racism**
			* Discussion of Check presentation
	+ Blood Drive - Andrew Rubino
		- January 15, 2024 MLK JR Day 12:30pm-5:00pm VFW Post 229

### Administration & Finance – Melissa Barlett

* + Financial - Travis Olivera
		- Report submitted
		- Discussion of high interest savings accounts
		- Schedule Budget meeting for February 2024
	+ Merchandise - Sharon Scala (contact at Sneaker Store)
		- Hats are in the trailer - for sale for $15
		- USA Racing online store update
	+ Equipment and Rental - Phil Trzcinski
		- Updates
	+ Membership - Rebecca LaPorte
		- Currently 489 members, 317 memberships
		- 2022 - 509 members and 320 memberships
	+ Webpage/Race Calendar - Melissa Barlett & Andy Hartnett
		- Update banner for New Year’s Day Run
		- Remove past events from banner
	+ Facebook & PR - Andy Hartnett
		- Advertise for new memberships and New Years Day run
		- Call for mileage, red jackets
	+ Clubs & Organizations Liaisons - Melissa Barlett/Erik Winberg (USATF and RRCA)
		- Updates
	+ Sponsorship - Sarah Harrison
		- Get Sarah your sponsors list
		- Start mailings to sponsors with ask letter
			* Bank of Utica wants to continue to be a sponsor.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

* Race Directors meeting
	+ Working on dates
* Mill Family Fitness Center Deal
	+ January 1, 2024 until December 31, 2024.
	+ The cost is only $325 OR $30/month.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

* USATF ADK Grand Prix 2024 Bid Request
* Vote on board positions
* Set dates and times for future board meetings
* Announcements

Meeting adjourned at

**Next Meeting: January 2024 at Boilermaker Headquarters -**

**Future meeting dates:**