



UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

August 10, 2020

Called virtual meeting to order 7:05

ATTENDEES: Jim Mott, Sharon Scala, Jen Bachelder, Rick Gloop, Lisa Walchusky, Rocco Fernald, Melanie Crisino, Tim Kane, Bill Calahan, Andrew Rubino, Alex Gonzalez, Cole Perkins

ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS:

OTHER MEMBERS: Rebecca Aceto, Mike Kessler, Ashley Mancini

Motion to accept minutes of last meeting Melanie second Andrew

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Activities & Events – Melanie Crisino

1. Races

New Years Day Membership Drive- no report

SOS - Mike Kessler- 69 registered trying to push for 100. Mike will mark the course and will be set up this week. Online store is open. Jim suggested results be sent email and posted to Run Sign Up.

Summer Sizzle – Jim Mott exploring many options. Considering the 12 runs of Christmas challenge.

Falling Leaves – Mike Brych courses will be set for virtual. 92 registered. Looking for help with sponsors.

Skeleton Run – Rick Gloop October 11th. Proposal for Pumpkin Junction in Sauquoit. Owners offered to host us for socially compliant 5k and kids run. We will continue to offer virtual option. Timing is not necessary.

Run 2 End World Hunger – Rocco Fernalld- ideas for virtual options. Still looking for truck for food drop off. No race at the parkway. City will not allow events until governor oks them. Mike will help with truck.
Committee needed.

Safety Run- Mike Kessler revisit in September. two mile loop that will finish at Pizza Boys.

Virtual event report

Run Against Racism final report very successful event. \$594 profit. 136 registered.

Stars, Stripes & Solidarity Rick with help of Jen and Andrew. Swag p/u in Sherrill, surplus of swag left. 65 Signed up and \$380 in donations.

2. Activities

Thursday Night Fitness Mill Run- Wendy Bowers suspended

UR Triple Crown-Mad Mile, Marcy 5k and Living History 5k Tim Kane- no longer happening this year all races are cancelled

Youth XC Training Program- Nate Getman not happening this year

Grand Prix – Gary Lasure- Looking for ways to offer club incentives

Scholarships – Anne Marie Latshaw- Andrew will lead with help from Anne Marie in 2021. Need to have online application process.

Volunteers – Alex Gonzalez- looking for new ways to earn volunteer points this year and make available to members. Alex spoke with Handshake city organizers and they need help. Motion was made by Mel 2nd by Andrew to accept the volunteer points.

Social – Melanie Crisino- Happy Hour 8/28

CNY Running Club Cup – Bill Callahan-

Administration & Finance – Rocco Fernalld

- **Financial – Lisa Walchusky**- Financials sent, Jim has list of refunds, need list of deferrals
- **Merchandise – Sharon Scala**- no report
- **Equipment Rental – Dennis Johnson**- Banner needed for arch
- **Membership – Jen Bachelder**- up 13 members
- **Facebook & PR, Webpages-**
- **Clubs & Organizations Liaison – Rick Gloor/Tim Kane** we can gain a lot from our membership to RRCA and USATF
- **Sponsorship- Rocco Fernalld**- Utica 1st exposure at our events and on social media. Bank of Utica donated \$500. Full page ads will run in SpliTimes

New and Old Business

Heart Run proposal talks still ongoing.

Racism event in NYC had 700 people. Alex will lead diversity committee within the club
Alex suggested looking for a way to have safety places for runners.

Melanie met with Melanie Francis from the American Cancer Society. Looking for a way to bring their members into the club activities more

Next Meeting – September 14th , Location TBD

Meeting adjourned 8:26