

#### **UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING**

December 14, 2020- 7 pm at Boilermaker Offices

- -Call meeting to order.
- -Accept minutes of last meeting
- -Distribution/collection of ballots for Board Officers for 2021
- -Welcome to our new Board Members: Rebecca Aceto and Melissa Barlett!
- -Thank you for your service and commitment to our club to Cole Perkins and Lisa Walchusky! You will both be missed!

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Activities & Events - Melanie Crisino

# 1. Races

New Year's Day 5k Membership Drive-January 1, 2021 – Accelerate is willing to host us.

We have a lot of work to do in a couple of weeks to promote this event.

SOS - Mike Kessler-Any updates?

"Santa" Sizzle-Jim Mott-(December 1-23) -The 12 Runs of Christmas. 61 participants. Overall the event has been a positive experience. People are having fun with it and Jen Bachelder has done a great job keeping them engaged through social media.

Falling Leaves – Mike Brych-Last of shirts were distributed.

## Skeleton Run - Rick Gloo/Melanie Crisino-

We need to contact Deerfield soon to determine their willingness to host us for future events. We will continue to maintain some kind of run in October at Pumpkin Junction.

**9/11 Never Forget Run/Walk 5k- Phil Trzcinski/Alex Gonzalez –** Sunday, November 8, 2020- Event went well! Very positive impact in our community. Alex and Phil did a great job! Thoughts on continuing event into 2021.

Safety Run- Tuesday, November 24- 6 pm-Melanie Crisino- We had about 30 people

attend. Melanie did a great job organizing the event. Fitness Mill and Pizza Boys were happy to host us. We will see what 2021 offers in terms of where we hold this next year.

Run 2 End World Hunger – Rocco Fernalld-This was a huge success! Based on our limitations, we had a good turnout and people were happy to come donate and participate. Rocco did a fantastic job organizing the event and being there every day. We learned some things by doing the run this way that will be a benefit for future years.

### 2. Activities

Thursday Night Fitness Mill Runs-Wendy Bowers- Fitness Mill is open. Runners are not doing group runs at this time. Is there any change on this?

UR Triple Crown-Mad Mile, Marcy 5k & Living History 5k-Tim Kane-What are thoughts moving forward here? Most races will hold some hybrid model I believe in 2021 as the Virtual Races have been played for the most part.

Bus Trip- It's A Wonderful Run-Jen Bachelder-Ideas for 2021? New destinations?

<u>Boilermaker Training Program-</u> Melanie Crisino- The American Cancer Society with their DetermiNation project will team up with our program for 2021. It would bring us new members and opportunities for "Bucket List" running adventures. Accelerate still willing to host us. Thoughts on location?

<u>Development Runs-</u> Ashley Mancini-start thinking of 2021. Ideas to get runners excited about next year.

Youth XC Training Program-Nate Getman-We need to engage our youth some way.

<u>Grand Prix</u> – Gary LaShure- 2021? Ideas? Do we want to establish a list of races yet?

<u>Scholarships – Anne Mare Latshaw/Andrew Rubino</u>- Progress with online application process in place with our website?

<u>Volunteers</u> –Alex Gonzalez-Discussion on Red Jackets and volunteer points for 2020. Where do we stand on determining this and awards for Banquet 2021 if we are able to have one? People have done some very noteworthy things this year. We need to come to a decision on this.

**Social** – **Melanie Crisino**- Latest was at 7 Hamlets in Westmoreland.

**CNY Running Club Cup** – We will need someone to step in to this role for 2021.

<u>Diversity Committee</u>- Alex Gonzalez-Virtual Meeting was Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Report?

<u>Nutrtion Committee</u>- Rick Gloo-A new committee was formed consulting healthy food options for recovery and performance. People in attendance were Rick Gloo, Krista Harwick, Jim Mott, and Jeannine Macera. Andrew Gracey from BOOM bars is hoping to be a part of this new project.

## Administration & Finance - Rocco Fernalld

- <u>Financial</u> Lisa Walchusky- Thoughts on transition to our new person in 2021? We must come up with some ideas here.
- Merchandise Sharon Scala- Anything new?
- Equipment Rental Dennis Johnson-
- <u>Membership</u> Jen Bachelder- Numbers currently as people are renewing? Plans to jump start 2021?
- <u>Facebook & PR, Webpages</u>-Jen Bachelder, Andrew Rubino, and Bill Callahan- We
  maintain a great presence here. We have so many positive comments in and out of
  our area!
- <u>Clubs & Organizations Liaison</u> Rick Gloo, Tim Kane (RRCA) -A lot can be gained by our membership in RRCA and USATF. With more USATF members we have a better chance of getting a USATF event for 2021. We should do a push in next newsletter. Push to get Summer Sizzle on Grand Prix for USATF.
- **Sponsorship- Rocco Fernalld-** Thoughts on 2021?

#### **New and Old Business**

**HEART RUN & WALK PROPOSAL-** Talks are ongoing. The event has been moved to May at Accelerate. Our presence there is still being figured out.

**2020 BANQUET-** Thoughts on how, when and where?

Next Meeting – January 11, 2021 – 7 pm at Boilermaker Offices