



UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, September 8, 2025 6:15 pm, Boilermaker Headquarters

Board Attendance:

Meeting called to order at:

Motion to accept minutes from last meeting:

INITIAL BUSINESS

- None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Activities & Events – Erik Winberg**
 - **Races**
 - **Four Race Challenge** - Andrew Rubino
 - no report
 - Get shirt ideas and sponsors after Falling Leaves
 - **Save Our Switchbacks** - Melissa Barlett
 - No update
 - Date being 11-April or 18-April
 - **Summer Sizzle** - Travis Olivera
 - No Report
 - **Falling Leaves** - Andrew Rubino
 - September 28, 2025
 - Final Report before raceday
 - **Skeleton Run** - Rob Kapfer
 - Sunday October 19, 2025
 - **Run 2 End Hunger** – Rebecca LaPorte Mason Hedeon
 - Date is set for Thanksgiving — November 27th, 2025
 - **New Year's Run** at Accelerate – Melissa Barlett
 - No report
 - Looking for ideas to move away from Accelerate
 - **Virtual Events**
 - **FIVE after FIVE** – Melissa Barlett & Andy Hartnett
- **Activities - Limited**
 - **Scholarships** - Travis Olivera
 - No report

- Boilermaker Training Program - Erik Winberg/Peter Angelini
 - Updates
- Boilermaker Expo table and volunteers
 - No report
- Grand Prix - Gary LaShure
 - Next Race: Falling Leaves September 28
- CNY Running Club Cup - James Kuny
 - Discussion of new leaders
 - Cliff's Gift Card: \$300 in gift cards donate
 - Next Race: Falling Leaves
- Development Runs - Ashley Mancini
 - Shirt Design contest for 2026
- Youth XC Training Program - Nate Getman & Abbie Sutliff
 - No Report
- Activities - Ongoing
 - Volunteers - Rebecca LaPorte
 - Updates
 - Social - Melissa Barlett & Rebecca LaPorte
 - Happy Hour Aug 22nd at Seven Hamlets
 - Recap
 - September Happy Hour:
 - Main St. Tavern - September 19
 - October Happy Hour
 - Grow - Date?
 - Banquet and Awards - Jenna Stefka/Melissa Barlett/Ashley Mancini
 - No Report Until October
 - Racing team/Captains - Andrew Hartnett
 - Brookfield Classic - Travis
 - September 13
 - Wineglass Marathon - Tiffany
 - October 5
 - Willow
 - Old Forge - Recap
 - Boos and Brews
 - Ugly Sweater
- UR Supported Events
 - **Tunnel to Towers Utica 5k** - Phil Trzcinski/Alex Gonzalez
 - August 17, 2025
 - Report
 - **Trenton Fish and Game Club Trail Run-Rob Kapfer**
 - August 3, 2025
 - No report
 - **Grateful for Graham 5k** - Amanda Robertello
 - May 3, 2025
 - Report

- Committees
 - Diversity Committee - Melissa Barlett/Michelle Truett
 - On Hold no updates
 - Blood Drive - Andrew Rubino
 - no update
- **Administration & Finance – Melissa Barlett**
 - Financial - James Kuny
 - Report submitted
 - Updates
 - Merchandise - Frank Vellone
 - Updates
 - Discuss new gear/swag for winter
 - UR Weekend (Skeleton Run packet pickup) at Sneaker Store with conjoint Happy Hour at Grow
 - Work with Josh and Morgan on this idea
 - Mystery Swag Bag (Andrew) for \$10 donation
 - Pushing idea during a Happy Hour
 - Continue UR Merch Table @Running Events
 - Coordination between Sneaker Store and USA Racing to stock UR Gear
 - Set up online store with USA Racing
 - Connect with Summer Sizzle Race
 - singlets (\$30) ■ tshirts (\$5)
 - cow bells (\$3) ■ hats (\$10)
 - blankets (\$25) ■ hoodie (\$20)
 - Equipment and Rental - Phil Trzcinski
 - Updates
 - Membership - Rebecca LaPorte
 - End of the year discount start date:
 - # members currently current memberships
 - 2024 #s
 - End of Year discount after Falling Leaves (1-Oct thru next year)
 - Webpage/Race Calendar - Melissa Barlett & Andy Hartnett
 - Rubino organizing bios for Hartnett - On Hold
 - If you notice something is out of date let Melissa and Andy know
 - Additional updates
 - Facebook & PR - Andy Hartnett
 - Updates
 - Falling Leaves Promo
 - Email issue
 - Newsletter
 - deadline is 20th of each month
 - Ad Purchases
 - Promos of Award Nominations
 - Promo for Elections
 - New Liaison for RRCA (Melissa)

- Michelle emailed Splitimes procedure email
 - Nominate members for profiles - let George know
 - nomination suggestions
- Clubs & Organizations Liaisons - Melissa Barlett/Erik Winberg (USATF and RRCA)
 - Updates
- Sponsorship - David Dietz
 - Updates
 - Looking to get sponsorships for Four Run Challenge - David/Melissa
 - Pick Deadline for 2026
 - Connection with Indium
 - If you have a business interested in sponsoring please see David
 - make ad for Splitimes
 - If you know any organization or business who would like to help with volunteering please connect with David and Rebecca
 - Cliff's Fuel Cards for Club Cup
- Non-Profit
 - Melissa Updated Non-Profit documentation
 - \$500 per year
 - Ineligible for 2 years

OLD BUSINESS:

- Board Elections - November 10th*
- Mohawk Valley Gives - Friday September 19th
- Plogging Run - Saturday, September 13th*
- Fitness Challenge
- Non-profit Community Donations
 - Review final document

NEW BUSINESS:

- Announcements

Meeting adjourned at

Next Meeting: October 13, 2025 at 6:15 at Boilermaker Headquarters

Future meeting dates:

November 10, 2025; December 8, 2025