



UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

Monday, August 10, 2026 6:15 pm, Boilermaker Headquarters

Board Attendance:

Meeting called to order at:

Motion to accept minutes from last meeting:

INITIAL BUSINESS

- Election Planning

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Activities & Events – Erik Winberg**
 - **Races**
 - **Four Race Challenge** - Andrew Rubino
 - Backpack Update
 - 25 backpacks have been purchased
 - Working on distribution when they arrive
 - **Save Our Switchbacks** - Melissa Barlett
 - Date for 2027
 - **Summer Sizzle** - Travis Olivera
 - Date for 2027
 - **Falling Leaves** - Andrew Rubino
 - September 27, 2026
 - Around 550 registered so far
 - Contacting committees
 - Start volunteer planning
 - **Skeleton Run** - Rob Kapfer
 - October 18, 2026
 - Over 131 registered
 - **Run 2 End Hunger** – Rebecca LaPorte Mason Hedeon
 - No update
 - **New Year's Run** – Melissa Barlett
 - Work with Grow and Stride OR Bus to Booneville for 2027
 - **Virtual Events**
 - **FIVE after FIVE** – Melissa Barlett & Andy Hartnett
 - Report

- Activities - Limited
 - Scholarships - Travis Olivera
 - No report
 - Boilermaker Training Program - Erik Winberg/Peter Angelini/Amanda Hartnett
 - Continue discussion for plans for 2027
 - Boilermaker Expo table and volunteers
 - No report
 - Grand Prix - Gary LaShure
 - UR singlet for members who participate - tabled for end of season
 - CNY Running Club Cup - Paige and Mary Ann
 - Congrats to everyone who ran the Sundae Run
 - Top performer: Eric Kasper
 - Lucky Draw: Colt Brumm
 - Top performers - Sue Luley, Gary Lasure, Mary Ann Lasher, Amanda Hartnett
 - UR is in 4th Place, only one point behind the Rodies
 - The next race is the Woodsmen's 10K on Friday, August 21st in Boonville
 - Development Runs - Ashley Mancini
 - Official runs have ended for the season
 - Youth XC Training Program - Nate Getman & Abbie Sutliff
 - Moved to Deerfield Town Park for 2026
- Activities - Ongoing
 - Social - Melissa Barlett & Rebecca LaPorte
 - Happy Hour - August 14, 6-8pm Yorkville Memorial VFW Post 6001
 - Banquet and Awards - Jenna Stefka/Melissa Barlett/Ashley Mancini
 - Continued discussion of date and location
 - Racing team/Captains - Andrew Hartnett
 - Report
 - Tuesday Night Track (TNT)
 - Report
- UR Supported Events
 - **Grateful for Graham 5k** - Amanda Robertello
 - May 2, 2026
 - Report
 - **Trenton Fish and Game Club Trail Run** - Rob Kapfer
 - August 2, 2026
 - Recap
 - **Tunnel to Towers Utica 5k** - Phil Trzcinski/Alex Gonzalez
 - August 16, 2026
 - Updates
- Committees
 - Diversity Committee - Melissa Barlett/Michelle McCarrick
 - Run Against Racism to return as part of 2027 Juneteen Celebrations
 - Race committee forming
 - Blood Drive - Andrew Rubino
 - No report

- **Administration & Finance – Melissa Barlett**
 - Financial - James Kuny
 - Report Submitted
 - Boilermaker mile marker payment
 - Merchandise - Frank Vellone
 - Bins were very helpful
 - UR Online Store
 - Equipment and Rental - Phil Trzcinski
 - Report
 - Flag feather stands
 - Membership - Rebecca LaPorte
 - # members currently
 - # Aug 2025
 - Webpage/Race Calendar - Melissa Barlett & Andy Hartnett
 - A number of new races are added
 - Facebook & PR - Andy Hartnett
 - Updates
 - Newsletter - Michelle McCarrick/Donna Morreall
 - deadline is 20th of each month
 - Ad Purchases - Michelle working on a system
 - Nominate members for profiles - Donna
 - Members to join board - elections in Nov
 - Clubs & Organizations Liaisons - Melissa Barlett/Erik Winberg (USATF and RRCA)
 - Club insurance obtained
 - Sponsorship - Vacant
 - Mohawk Valley Gives September 18 - Melissa Barlett
 - NYCM sponsor - Andy Hartnett
 - Doing the 10K for Falling Leaves
 - Updates Re: invoice, social media content, discount code
 - Ten \$10 off discount codes — Codes are ready; rebate if they already signed up
 - On-Brand company update - Rebecca
 - Use this to support each race or individual events
 - Advertise for Sponsorship opportunities in Splitimes
 - Non-Profit
 - No current requests

OLD BUSINESS:

- Tilden Hill Farm Trails - Verona
 - 12 miles of trails open for running, biking, camping
- Hillstriders BBQ

NEW BUSINESS:

- Oneida Public Market
 - Potentially August 22 and September 19 dates
 - Interest in doing a group run from the market and then tabling for the Club
 - Backdrop, shirts, give aways, promote FL and Skeleton
 - Need point person

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Anything for the good of the order?

Meeting adjourned at

Next Meeting: September 14, 2026 at 6:15 at Boilermaker Headquarters

Future meeting dates for 2026:

****October 12, November 9, December 14**

****Columbus Day**