

## UTICA ROADRUNNERS BUSINESS MEETING

January 13, 2014

President, Sybil Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

### ATTENDEES:

Sybil Johnson	Tom Joslin
Cory Battles	Sarah Elleman
Sandra & Mark Arcuri	Mike Kessler
Melanie Crisino	Karl Jones
Dennis Johnson	Jim Moragne
Jeremy West	Dave Paddock & son

Sybil Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting. Mike was 1<sup>st</sup> and Jim 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion accepted.

### COMMITTEES

#### Activities & Events – Mike Kessler

#### RACES

**SOS** - race date is April 27, 2014 – using getentered.com for registrations – wants to use a retro logo – creating a committee to help

**SUMMER SIZZLE** – race date is June 8, 2014 – might have issues with course at SUNY, if so, race will be moved to Deerfield – more to come.

**FALLING LEAVES** – race date is September 28, 2014 – putting in an application to the RRCA to make the 5K a grand prix event

**RUN 2 END WORLD HUNGER** –we will be donating \$1500 to have commemorative souvenirs

**RACING TEAM** - Sarah is working on putting a women's team together. If you know anyone, contact Sarah

#### TRAINING

**BOILERMAKER TRAINING PROGRAM** – Mike Kessler - currently at 33 people, few more will be joining. Starts at 7am at the Fitness Mill, starting in February it will be at the Rec Center starting at 7:30am. Leslie will be sending an email to all RR members looking for volunteers. This Saturday (Jan 18<sup>th</sup>) Rich from the Sneaker Store will be speaking.

**DEVELOPMENT RUNS** – nothing to report

**YOUTH XC TRAINING** – Jeremy West – starting to look into grants, any ideas/suggestions, please sent to Jeremy. Northern Lights (near Plattsburgh) will be hosting a race. Talking about adding Adirondack Cross Country to the race series. Jeremy is now USATF certified; he has Power Points if anyone wants them. Sybil made a motion to pay his tuition/certification. Everyone voted and it was approved.

**GET FIT EXPO** – no date as of yet – thinking end of April / beginning of May

**GRAND PRIX** – Cory Battles – will try to have list ready by the directors meeting on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Talked about adding the Boilermaker 15k in. Looking for a variety of different length of runs (not all 5ks) take a look at roadrunner member participation in races. Dave Paddocks son brought up he was setting up the Volcano Run 5K in Ilion and would like it added to the Grand Prix, was advised to go to the race directors meeting. Try to have events set up for March newsletter.

**VOLUNTEERS** – Sandra Arcuri – due to her schedule she is unable to chair this. Looking for someone to take this over. Need volunteers for the Heart Walk. Training program is looking for volunteers for Saturday mornings. Need to reach out to members directly instead of just an email.

#### **SOCIAL –**

**HOLIDAY PARTY / BANQUET** - discussed the holiday party and it was agreed by all members that there would be no holiday party this year (due to time) and to combine it into the awards banquet. Melanie Crisino will chair the banquet.

**HOCKEY NIGHT** – Mike Kessler – Utica Comets hockey night is February 1<sup>st</sup>. Tickets are \$12.00 each. Contact Mike for tickets. We can set up a table, can do 50/50, and can do door prizes. Any other suggestions, please contact Mike.

### **Administration & Finance – Sarah Elleman**

**FINANCIAL** – Discussed budget in detail. Motion was made to accept budget. Budget passed by all members. Suggestion was brought up to have the budget emailed to all board members prior to the next meeting so members would have time to review prior to meeting.

**MERCHANDISE** – Jerry ordered 15 Brooks winter hats

**EQUIPMENT RENTAL** – Dennis Johnson – 1 request was made for clock only (Beer & Chili Run)

**MEMBERSHIP** – 674 current members – looking at changing “couples” to “dual” membership. Looking at formatting the online registration form

**SCHOLARSHIP** – Won't be til March / April

**PUBLIC RELATIONS**

**MEDIA RELEASES** – nothing to report

**NEWSLETTER** – deadline for submitting anything to SpliTimes is 2 wks prior

**WEBPAGES** – Getting a new host, will have more flexibility, Sybil paid for January & February.  
Need new board members head shots for webpage

**FACEBOOK** – Cory Battles – up to 682 likes. Can send out reminders for memberships, comets game, women racings team and volunteers, etc.

**CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS LIAISON** – Jim Moragne - stated they are all set for memberships this year, all background checks are done for Jim and Jeremy.

**AWARDS** – Jim Moragne - 20 or 21 submissions so far, need to get those in within the next 10 days.  
Suggestion was brought up about getting “ultra” patches, agreed by all.

**NEW & OLD BUSINESS**

**BANQUET** – Melanie Crisino will chair. Will get in touch with Danielles to see what dates are available. Work around St Pattys day parade, Heart Run, have it before Easter. No holiday party and just do banquet.

Motion made by Sybil Johnson to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Moragne.

**REMINDERS:**

- RACE DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON JANUARY 27, 2014
- NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 10, 2014