



Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club
General Meeting
Point of Woods Community Center
October 13, 2010 @ 7:30 PM

Attendance: Jon Rocco, Mark Warner, Doug Bowden, John Parisella, Anny Stockman, Wade Stockman, John Moore, Tom Adams, Marcia Adams, Diane Fisher, John Kinnicutt, Ken Orner, Pam Zentko, Roxanne Gillen, Ed Gillen, Cathy Sliwinski, Barb Light, Chuck Terry, Rob Sliwinski, Dave Newman, Josh Merlis, Eva Barsoum, John Peters, Ray Lee,
Call To Order (J. Rocco): 7:30PM

1. **Reading and approval of September 8, 2010 minutes (B. Light)** Marcia made motion to approve minutes as written; seconded by Doug Bowden. Motion approved.

2. **Reports of Officers:**

- 2.1 President (J. Rocco)

-Transition of Club President from Mark Warner to Jon Rocco and transition of Vice-President from Jon Rocco to John Parisella. Thank you to Mark for his time and service to the Club as President. Mark thanked all the officers for their help and support and all the committee chairs for their input. He wished Jon and the new officer's luck in the upcoming year.

-Opening for Web Page Administrator as Ed Neiles will be stepping down as of 1/1/11. Thank you to Ed for creating, maintaining, improving, and updating the website since '96. Ed will assist in the transition. Club will be looking for a replacement-it will take 3-4 hrs/week to maintain the webpage. It is possible to divide up job so we will look at options. Need to have someone in place by end of year. Jon suggested put announcement on the webpage. Diane Fisher said she would be happy to take it over-webpage is her background this will be discussed and worked out with Ed Neiles.

-Opening on Long Range Planning Committee to fill spot vacated by Cathy Sliwinski. This person will work with Ed Neiles, Kari Gathen, and Ray Newkirk. We will put this opening on the webpage. It isn't a large time commitment did a lot through email.

-Race Director needed for Father's Day Race. A discussion will be held with co-sponsor of the race.

-HMRRC meeting refreshments 2010-2011-sheet passed out for people to sign up.

- 2.2 Executive Vice President (J. Parisella) – No report.

- 2.3 Executive Vice President- Finance (C. Terry)-Mark, Jon, Pam and Chuck met with Alex Cruden to discuss registering with the State and to do annual filings. With the filing we will need to attach a copy of Federal Form 990 which the accountant does for us. If we are an organization that solicits contributions then we are suppose to have an annual financial audit and attach that to the annual filing. This brings up questions about contributions- it is not a lot of money if we didn't want to have annual audit we can stop soliciting contributions. Chuck thinks it is a good idea to have an annual audit. It will cost \$3000 for a full audit. Went over type of records he would need to do audit. Need receipts for all expenses paid and we might need to do a better job of cash receipts at races; usually day of race registrations. Chuck recommends that we go ahead and have audits and financial statement every year. \$3000 includes the \$1400 we normally pay him for his services. Mark thinks the audit helps protect the officers if any inproprieties occur. Chuck proposed that we use the Alex Cruden firm and that they perform annual

audit of records and that we register with the State of NY. Seconded by Ray Lee-voting took place with 14 in favor; no one opposed; motion passed.

2.4 Secretary (B. Light) No report.

2.5 Treasurer (P. Zentko) No report.

3. Reports of Committees:

3.1 Membership (D. Fisher) Current membership at 2250 up 7 from last month; 82 for the year.

3.2 Volunteers (M. Adams) Thank you to all volunteers for marathon and half marathon and expo. Everything went very well. Need volunteers for Stockade-athon. Please email Marcia or Vince if you are available

3.3 Public Relations (R. Moore) Thank you to everyone who helped at the Hudson Mohawk expo. On October 3rd at University of Albany we received a \$2500 Grant from SEFCU which they gave away to not for profits at the expo. Adirondack Sports Winter expo will be November 20 and 21st. Would like to have booth up there again this year. Rob will volunteer at the booth.

3.4 Race Committee (N. Briskie/M. Warner) – Have Race Director meeting and will set up tentative dates for next year. Mark Warner will be taking over for Nancy Briskie and Nancy will be taking over the race committee treasurer position. The Father's Day race has been held for 5 years; each year have a different Race Director. Will have to have a meeting with co-sponsor to go over options for the race. Doug Bowden noted it is a successful event and everyone has a great race and we shouldn't let it go. This is the 3rd most profitable race on our calendar which isn't our goal but we know a lot of people like the race and are in favor of keeping the race. First issue is to find a Race Director and then talk to the credit union. We will put an ad on the webpage for a new Race Director for the race; Dave Newman said he would be willing to help out but couldn't be the Race Director. Dave will forward contact information for the credit union to Mark and Jon. Cathy Sliwinski reported that marathon and half marathon went very well. Expo went very well with help from Adirondack Sports and Fitness to get all the exhibitors; Registration went very smoothly. Race Day went well; chaotic at times but worked out. Preliminary numbers-in the half 940 registered 735 finished; in the marathon 1226 registered and 846 finished. 140 didn't pick up from half; 225 who didn't pick up for full. Medical deferments this year were heavy probably because closed out early. No problem at start with the additional runners. Half was tricky when it goes on bike path; may need to change something there because of the posts but will work on that next year. May need to flag better. Parking at Colonie Town Park better this year as a lot more rode busses. Ava noted that maybe different bibs could be used to distinguish the different races; but it was noted that the bibs were provided by sponsors. Voorheesville 7.1 Mile race will be a Grand Prix race under 40 next year.

3.5 Pace Setter (R. Nagengast/K. Gathen) No report.

3.6 Conflicts Committee (C. Terry) No report.

3.7 Safety Committee (V. Juliano) no report.

3.8 Grants Committee (R. Newkirk) The Grant committee approved 3 \$1000 youth grants; Parsons Team Unstoppable; Donald P Sutherland Elementary School for 5K run for kids; Delmar Track & Field club in Glenmont.

3.9 Long Range Planning Committee (C. Sliwinski)-still looking for someone to do insurance coverage for the races. Mark will follow up with John Haley. Eva would be interested in helping with the insurance.

3.10 Just Run Program (K. Skinner) reps from Albany, Guilderland, Berne Knox Westerlo- Ray went over the program description; starting a couple more in March-John

Parisella is contacting schools in Schenectady. Went over package program and looked like there is interest.

3.11 Recycling Coordinator (E. Barsoum) At the Susan Komen race had 15 pairs of sneakers and that started to get us recognition; next race will be Stock-adeathon and Troy Turkey Trot. Contacted the Pace Setter and Race Director's and would like to put the program on the website. Eva would put information on booth with Rob Moore. Eva will send information to Marcia to send out to the members by email. All donated items were taken to the Albany mission. Nike has a program to look into for recycling shirts and shoes. Will get more information for future meetings.

4. **Unfinished Business:** Archives going back to first year on website-Ed Neiles still working on it and will put it up once all is done.

5. **New Business:** None to discuss.

6. **Announcements:** Hairy Gorilla 6ht year of event and it is on Halloween. Rce is held at Thatcher Park and you can come in costume. Unique event and fun. Duanesburg Dash on October 23 in Delanson NY- hilly 5K course.

- November refreshments- Tom & Marcia Adams.

7. **Adjourn:** Motion made to adjourn by Ken Orner seconded by Marcia Adams meeting adjourned at 8:34PM.