



Hudson Mohawk Road Runners Club  
Board Meeting  
Virtual Meeting Held via Zoom  
November 10, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

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**Attendance: Jessica Northan, Sally Drake, Ravi Chauhan, Nick Demos, Sue Demos, Steve Jankowski, Tom McGuire, Kathy VanValen, Chuck Terry III, Dana Jones, Brian Northan, Barbara Sorrell, John Parisella, Carol Reardon Absent: Jon Rocco, Courtney Breiner, Erin Murphy**

**1. Call to Order (Jessica Northan):**

Motion to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2021 meeting made by Sally Drake, seconded by Ravi Chauhan. Tom McGuire abstained. The motion was approved.

**2. Reports of Officers**

**2.1 President's Report (Jessica Northan)**

Jessica reported that the club received a thank you note from the Ronald McDonald house for the donation made from Workforce Team Challenge. She also brought up an item from last month's meeting and indicated that the Volunteer Coordinator and Membership Coordinator positions are vacant and would be helpful to the club to be filled.

**2.2 Executive Vice-President (Sally Drake): No report**

**2.3 Executive Vice President for Finance (Ravi Chauhan):**

Ravi indicated that the new membership form with the "rounding up" option as a donation to the club discussed at last month's meeting was complete. Ravi also shared some technology features that are available through HMRRC's google account which are free as we are a non-profit, one of the services include google meet. The club is currently paying for zoom meetings.

**2.4 VP for Running Events (Nick Demos / Sue Demos):**

Nick shared brochures he has been working on with Ed. He also indicated that all insurance certificates for the winter series are in. In addition, we have blanket approval from SUNY for the club's December races, which at this time is the winter series I.

**2.5 Treasurer (Tom McGuire):**

Tom circulated the club's financials prior to the meeting, there were no questions or comments on the financials.

2.6 Treasurer of Running Events (Kathy VanValen): Ravi gave the report, the finance committee is transitioning with races closing and entering final costs and revenue figures. The races that closed with results in are closing are the Anniversary Run which lost \$1,204.08 vs a budget of a loss of \$1,500. The Tawasentha Cross Country Series was budgeted to lose \$400 and lost \$41.00. The Labor Day 5k was budgeted to make \$500 and instead made \$249.25 due to fewer than expected runners. The workforce team challenge made 5,214.07. While the Colonie Summer Track events lost \$1,196.10 vs a budget of \$1,050.

2.7 Secretary (Steve Jankowski): No report

### **3. Reports of Committees**

3.1 Membership: No report

3.2 Volunteers: No report

3.3 Public Relations (Courtney Breiner): Although Courtney was absent, she had Jessica report to the club that she is posting on social media. There also was a video posted for the marathon.

3.4 Website (Wei Ma and Dana Jones): Dana reported that overall taking over of the duties from Ed Neiles in updating the website has been going smoothly. He did mention there were some challenges in posting a PaceSetter article.

3.5 Conflicts Committee (Ravi Chauhan): Conflict reports need to be turned into Ravi.

3.6 Grants Committee (Sally Drake): No report

3.7 Just Run Program (K. Skinner): Ken was absent, but provided Jessica with a report to read. Regarding the cross country meet 10 schools and 350 students participated. In a normal year, there are typically over 23-26 schools participating. Ken feels the event has outgrown Tawasentha Park as there was difficulty with parking. He indicated a better site would be not as wet and have more parking. Ken recognized John Parisella and Carol Reardon for all their efforts.

3.8 Elections Committee: No report

### **4. Old Business:**

USATF vs RRCA Insurance – the vote was tabled until next meeting. Jon Rocco will also be asked to review. Ravi on behalf of the finance committee reviewed the budget and answered questions. The budget will be voted on at the December meeting. The club continues to discuss different ways of recognizing people or organizations that donate to HMRRC, including mentioning them on the web site or creating categories of giving for different levels. Ravi

mentioned it could be useful to keep the public aware that we are a tax-deductible charitable organization.

**5. New Business:**

Tom reported that the first charities of choice meeting has been held. He asked Carol Reardon to help score the grant applications. Ravi mentioned John bought shelves for the club house and the cost was around \$900. Jessica approved the expense as President.

**6. Adjourn:**

Jessica asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Tom McGuire and was seconded by Sally Drake. Motion approved. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:44 PM.