

**Anniston Runners Club
Board Meeting
March 10, 2025**

1. Opening and Quorum
2. Minutes
3. Financials
4. NEW Business
5. OLD Business
6. Next Meeting date
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ATTENDEE'S: Ashley Nash, Jennifer Watwood, Hayley Long, Karla McCaffrey, Michael Boling and AJ Long.

1. Ashley opened the meeting, noting a quorum with majority members in attendance.

2. **Minutes** to the February 10, 2025 meeting were presented and approved.

3. FINANCIALS:

- **Trusses were not ordered.** Hayley would feel a little more comfortable waiting on a few more sponsor checks to come in.
- **Lifetime Contract** for the Leadville Qualifier is on hold. We are still trying to get our sponsorships down and may have to change the amount of the sponsorship fee they are requesting.
- **Alabama Power Foundation Grant** has not posted NOA.
- **Investar bank will not be sponsoring ARC/Woodstock any longer.** While it is too late to change banks this year, Board Members agree to begin the search for a new bank to change to. Ft. McClellan Credit Union was named as a possibility, since they do sponsorship with ARC. Regions was named as a possibility as well.
- **Taxes** are done with the accountant. The ARC president just needs to sign and return them.
- **P.O Box** has been paid for.
- **Zombie Trail Race (April 12 & 13th)** ARC sponsoring. (Eubank Welcome Center in Piedmont).
- **Sponsors Updates**
 - **Sunny King** has mailed the check. We were notified they are sending less than they usually send this year.
 - **RMC.** AJ has filled out the form they need and has emailed them to make sure they have all the paperwork they need. We are waiting to hear back from them.
 - **Calhoun County Commission.** AJ has sent all the paperwork needed. We are now waiting to hear back from them.

- **Chicken Salad Chick is the newest Woodstock sponsor.** They have provided us with redeemable food vouchers. These will be used for door prizes. They were also open to working with us in the future.
- **Publix.** We are still waiting to hear back although the representative has been in communication and has promised she is working on it. She is aware we need an answer ASAP.
- **AJ has started** sending emails out to our Woodstock sponsors.

4. NEW BUSINESS:

- **High School Scholarship and Grant** applications need to be sent out. Karla will update the documents and send them out ASAP.
- **ARC's Past President.** Board members were all in agreement to remove the past president. ARC members proposed we ask Dennis Dunn to come/call in to the meetings and give advice. He will not be obligated to help but it would be nice to have his opinion that can vote for.
- **The ARC Website is being worked on.** AJ is making some updates that will make it a little easier to find things.
- **Volunteers**
 - Members discussed making volunteering a requirement for all club members. Free race entries and t-shirts can serve as incentives.
 - AJ is going to set up a specific page for volunteers, on the website, with everything volunteers need to know. Ashley has agreed to work on a dedicated google form in an effort to simplify volunteering process/procedures.
- **Club Shirts.** The design has been sent in. A post will be made letting members know shirts are available for pre-purchase. Board members thought it would be a great idea to create a poster to sell them at the Canyon Climb as well.
- **Mainstreet Anniston** contacted ARC about board members to see if anyone would be interested in being part of their board.
- **Woodstock**
 - A potential Woodstock coordinator agreed to join March's board meeting but was unable to attend due to a last minute emergency.
 - Ahead 1.5 times the amount of people registered at this time last year.
 - AJ put the race date on other runners club's calendar.
- **Upcoming Events**
 - Shamrock Run (March 15th) - volunteers are needed.
 - Noble St. Festival (April 5th) - 6am set up/7pm close. Hayley proposed paying the fee to have a booth set up like in past years and having people work shifts in an effort to promote ARC.
 - Chief Ladiga (April 12th & 13th) - There will be volunteer waves. 6am set up at Eubank Welcome Center in Piedmont.
 - Cheaha Challenge (May 18th) 6:30/7:00am. Aid station on top of Cheaha. Volunteers are needed.
 - Leadville Qualifier (October 25th & 26th) which also happens to be Halloween Hovac weekend.

- Group Runs. Tuesdays at 5:30pm at the Golden Spring Community Center

5. OLD BUSINESS:

- **Canyon Climb (March 29th)**

- Volunteers are still needed.
- The next practice run will be on March 23rd at 2pm. At this practice, members will re-mark the course and put flyers on cars.
- There will be pancakes but no massages on race day.
- Members created a to-list for race day. We will meet Friday evening at 6pm, to put up signs and then again in the morning, at headquarters, to load up.

6. Next Meeting: April 14, 2025

7. With no additional matters to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm