Anniston Runners Club
Board Meeting
October 12, 2026

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ATTENDEE'S: Hayley Wood, Jennifer Watwood, Karla McCaffrey, and Chase Garrard attended in person. Ashley Nash phoned in.

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

2. Minutes to the September meeting were presented and approved.

3. PRESIDENT's Report

4. FINANCIALS

- The club is still awaiting a check from Publix. Haley is following up on the outstanding payment.
- Once the check is received, September financial records will be finalized, and bookkeeping responsibilities will transition.
- Members discussed the importance of shared financial oversight and greater transparency regarding expenditures.
- The board noted that club bylaws require two signatures for expenditures exceeding $500.
- Members suggested considering additional authorized account signers, such as the president, vice president, and treasurer, to ensure continuity when an officer is unavailable.

5. BUSINESS

- **ARC Halloween Scavenger Hunt**
    - **Date & Time:** Tuesday, October 27, 2026, at 5:30-7:30 PM.
    - **Format:** Low-key event focused on trick-or-treating / candy distributions.
    - Event clues and activities have been prepared and only require printing.
    - Volunteers will be stationed at designated locations to distribute candy, monitor activities, and take photographs.
- **Cold Water Trail Races (Mountain Bike 10/31 & Trail Run 11/01)**
    - **Aid Station Coverage (Anniston Trailhead):**

        - Saturday (10/31): 9:15 AM – 2:30 PM (2–3 volunteers needed).
        - Sunday (11/01): 8:45 AM – 4:15 PM (2–3 volunteers needed).
        - A volunteer sign-up form has been created and shared through email and Facebook.
            - Five volunteer slots were made available for each day.
            - Additional promotional emails and social media posts will be scheduled.
            - Local schools, track teams, and student organizations will be contacted regarding volunteer service opportunities.
- **Plucked Turkey 10K**
    - **Current Registrations:** 62 participants.
    - The event permit was reported as completed
    - Members will inventory existing race bibs and medals before ordering additional supplies.
        - Reusing available medals by replacing ribbons and inserts was discussed as a cost-saving measure.
    - The HoneyBaked Ham order has been placed.
    - Karla will:
        - contact Maggie to coordinate
            - Honeybaked Ham pickup
            - Access to the community center on race day. race
        - contact Dennis regarding timing services and recommendations on how to handle bibs. The board discussed ordering from Bluefoot.
    - Existing race bags will be reused on race day.
    - T-Shirts
        - The board reviewed the registration system's existing no-shirt selection. Because the selection does not change registration pricing and the event is approaching, members agreed to leave the current registration setup unchanged.
        - Karla will contact the supplier to establish the latest possible order date. A shirt registration deadline will be established based on the supplier's production timeline. The board emphasized limiting excess shirt orders to reduce unnecessary spending.
- **2027 Board Elections & Vacant Positions**
    - The board discussed upcoming vacancies for the 2027 board term and the need to encourage members to volunteer for leadership positions.
        - A draft email announcing vacant board positions was reviewed.
        - Members recommended revising the email to communicate a greater sense of urgency and emphasize the importance of filling leadership positions to ensure the club's continued operation.
        - The deadline for submitting board applications was set for November 6, 2026, with elections planned for November.
        - The announcement will be distributed to current and former ARC members via email and potentially through the club's Facebook group.

        - A Google Form will be created to collect applications.
        - Additional volunteer opportunities, including group run coordinator and trail run coordinator, may be advertised; however, filling essential board positions will remain the priority.
- **Fab Four Series**
    - Members discussed continuing to use Running Warehouse gift cards as awards, subject to confirmation of available inventory and previous decisions. Leftover gift cards located before additional purchases are made.
    - The existing shirt design will be retained, with a new color considered for the upcoming event. Hunter green, olive green, and other neutral colors were discussed as potential options.

6. Next Meeting: Monday, November 9, 2026

7. With no additional matters to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.