Meeting of La Chute Runners
7:00 Monday Sept. 6, 2021

Members Present: Tim Malaney, Brian Kiely, Mike Quinn, Jim and Linda Cunningham

Financial: Jim reported on the bank account balances. After a discussion, it was decided to look into combining the accounts and discontinuing the traditional approach to the scholarship. We will support runners who want to attend running camps and programs. It will then be the Duane Crammond Running Camp Scholarship Fund. Related, Jim will look into getting the account statements for the last 10 years.

There was a discussion of the current membership numbers. There are currently 35 current family/individual members. At the Five Nations 5k, runners were giving the opportunity join for 2022. Thirteen decided to do so. There was discussion how membership should be conducted in the future. Logistics would interfere with the mail-in option. There is a possibility of online membership. This topic is open for discussion.

The Rogers Rangers Ramble Run will be held on the Golf Course–possibly on Nov. 13th. Tim will talk to the people at the golf course. There is work scheduled on the course. More will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Chamber was interested in having a run at the Fall Festival on Sept. 25th. This was the issue that required the urgent meeting. That possibility was discussed. Tim will see them and explain that there is not enough time to set up a course, insure the event and find a race director.

We may possible need a new tent. We will be doing an exploratory.

The next meeting will be on Thurs. Sept. 30th at the Library at 7:00. We will try Thursday meetings to see if that works better for attendance at the meetings.

At that meeting, we will discuss plans for the RRRR. We will also discuss our plans for the next running season: 2022. Before the end of the year,

we have to renew our membership to RRCA which involves submitting a club membership list and information on club runs and races. The Road Runners Club recently updated their webpage, making it more inviting!



Some of the positions have been taken; these are the positions that are up for grabs: Vice President, Membership, Race Directors, Fund Raising, Scholarship Chairperson, Timing Clock

It was discussed purchasing shirts for the club members. The suggestion was made to have a shirt that is bright enough for the runner to be seen. The shirt would be a part of membership/renewal for 2022.

The meeting had a very social element! It was enjoyable sitting down with club members again. We discussed “old times.” We even came up with a list of former presidents. We are still working on the date of the origin of the club. Fortunately, we have club archives that can be explored. As an aside, we talked about early days of working with student/athletes. One was recalled saying the following after he was invited to participate in a 5K road race, “You mean, people actually pay to run?”

Attached (and linked on our webpage) are two of the early running club newsletters. It looks like the club was formed in the winter of ‘87