

## **Minutes: Jan 11, 2026 runLawrence Club Meeting (Sunflower Outdoor & Bike)**

Present: Kent Ely , Janet Huchingson, John Huchingson, Annette McDonald, Kent McDonald, Heather Krase-Minnick, Cristal Barnes, Molly Wood, Becky McClure, Pat Peery, Gene Wee, Becca Munro, Don Cackler, Doug Hewitt, Dee Boeck

The December minutes were reviewed. A slight correction was made in regard to last-minute registration activities at the T-Day 5K. Upon motion by Heather and second by Cristal, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Gene gave the Treasurer's report which included a detailed listing of income and expenses for the past 8 years. It was concluded that the club is in good shape financially and is adhering to good budgetary practices, ensuring a large enough balance to cover a net negative year that could occur. It was determined, however, that the club should form a budget committee to ensure the continuing financial stability of the club into the future. Doug, Gene, Kent E, Cristal and Kristen volunteered for that committee. John moved and Annette seconded a motion to establish this group. Unanimously approved.

The next item was election of officers for 2026. A slate of candidates including Heather for President, Pat for Vice President, Doug for Treasurer and Molly for Secretary was announced. Cristal accepted the position of race director for the Thanksgiving Day Run. This slate was elected unanimously.

There was discussion as to how to increase club membership and it was agreed we should have a membership promotion committee. Becca, Molly and Pat volunteered and it was agreed to form such a committee with this personnel.

Also discussed was having club representation at the RRCA convention in April. Doug and Cristal indicated an interest in attending and the club agreed that these two could bring back valuable information for the club and they will be attending at club expense. Two club members - Cristal and Kristen - indicated an interest in taking the race director certification courses offered by RRCA and USTF respectively. There was some discussion that, if runLawrence pays for these certifications, they should be used for the benefit of the club activities. With that stipulation, payment of the race director certification fees was approved.

Other items discussed included the formation of a Board of Directors and this will be pursued more in the future.

Members were asked to be thinking about possible swag items for this year's T-day and check with suppliers for close-out specials, etc. Sunglasses and socks were two suggestions given.

Packets of thank you notes were distributed to 6 or 7 volunteers to write personal thank yous to all our T-Day run sponsors.

The next meeting was set for 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 1.

Submitted by,

Dee Boeck