

# Gadsden Runners Club Board Meeting

January 13th, 2025 / Bellevue Community Center / 5:30 p.m.

## Attendees

Kristen Shelton, Rachael Ginn, Janet Wilson, Vanessa Roberts, Tim Roberts, Mark Johnson, Glenn Ingram, John McElwee, Jennifer Bishop, Brandon Barnes, Susan Womack, Brandon Barnes, Brittney Whorton

## Agenda

*\*\*Board discussed the need for volunteers for upcoming GRC events, and the events established for the first half of the year. Board members will review dates, then message Kristen S. individually to volunteer for races that work with their schedule.*

### Upcoming Events-1st Half of the Year:

- Etowah Heroes-February 22nd
- Down Syndrome Bash-March 1st (not a GRC event, but we provide race equipment)
- March Madness-Date TBD, but highly considering March 15th-directed by Vanessa and Tim (no volunteers required)
- Noccalula Spring Trail Run-May 3rd
- Bingo Night at Back Forty to replenish GRC funds-Tentatively April 16th (no volunteers needed, but please share/attend if possible)
- Naked Pig Triathlon-June 28th

### Dirty Soles Trail Races Sponsorship

- Kristen S. made the motion to continue the \$500 sponsorship to Dirty Soles Trail Races, which benefits the trail systems in Anniston.
- Seconded by Glenn Ingram, then **approved** by unanimous vote.

### City of Champions 5k, 10k, Half Marathon

- Tentative date for City of Champions check presentation to United Way will be April 16th at Back Forty in conjunction with the Bingo night.
- Volunteers who work a specific number of hours for the Spring Trail Run (aid station/working the full event) will be given a free race entry to City of Champions.
- Tim Roberts is the 2025 race director.
- The City of Gadsden is interested in being a sponsor for City of Champions, and would like to be invoiced by May.

## Action Items

- Glenn I., current Sponsorship Director, would like a board member to step forward to learn how to do his role in anticipation of him stepping away next year. Please consider being the Sponsorship Director for GRC.
- Brittney W. and Susan W. will coordinate a time for Susan to train Brittney as the new Treasurer.
- Kristen S. will send an email to members by the end of January informing them of changes, upcoming events, and how to correctly submit their miles for the Miles Club.
- We will not do physical membership cards this year to cut back on expenses. Members can show their membership confirmation email or contact Kristen or Jennifer B. for confirmation to show Gadsden Outfitters for their discount. This is the only use for membership cards. Kristen will send out an email to notify members.
- Janet W. is coordinating a Bingo night at Back Forty as a way to replenish GRC funds. Tentative date is April 16th.
- Kristen will create a Facebook event for March Madness when the date is determined.

## Next Meeting Agenda (April-Date TBD)

- Finalize details for Spring Trail Run and Naked Pig Triathlon
- Discuss details for Summer Series (John M. is the new lead), Kids Summer Run, City of Champions, Run for Glory
- Miles Club follow-up- anyone with ideas for prizes/activities to revamp Miles Club, please feel free to message Kristen S. or Vanessa R.