



Montgomery County Road Runners Club Board Meeting

Date and Time: July 16, 2026, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Location: MCRRC Clubhouse

Board Members: Brian Murphy—President; Eric London—Vice President; Deb Griffin—Secretary; Michael Patrick- Treasurer (absent) ; Bruce Lemieux—At Large; Monika Schneider—At Large; Matthew Von Hendy—At Large; Gordon Li—At Large (absent) ; James Jalandoni- At Large

Staff: Ashley Zuraf—Executive Director (absent) ; Heather Sissan—Operations Director

Guest:

1. Call to order

Brian called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

2. Meeting Minutes

Eric moved to approve the May meeting minutes, which Matt seconded. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

3. Executive Director Reports

Ashley distributed her report in advance of the meeting. As of June 18, 2026, Club membership totals 4,098 members, which reflects an increase of 47 from 4,051 in May. Ashley provided updates on the track permits for the summer and fall. All permits for races through Parks on September 27th are approved.

4. Rockville 5k / 10k

Jim Farkas has been directing Rockville 5k /10k since 2008 and has since every year with the exception of the Covid year. One challenge the Board discussed is differentiating the 5k from 10k finishers with respect to the timing mats. Historically there have been people who registered for 10k but opted to stop at 5k and it impacts timing and award winners. One opportunity for improvement is outreach to the non-club members to communicate about MCRRC membership and events. Jim will research to see if we can have permission to reach out to participants of the race to do so. Other opportunities would be to have a membership table with swag at the race.

5. Stone Mill

Program Director, Ryan Cox came to discuss Stone Mill. The challenge he brought up is the truck rental. The Board will look into cost-effective and more convenient truck rentals. The board also discussed the crossing at Riffleford Road and potentially hiring an officer to be present during the race. The Board and Ryan discussed options for timing add-ons and marketing to attract new runners to ultras. Volunteer captains are doing well for staffing positions.

6. Volunteering

Monika discussed ways to increase member volunteers. A few suggestions include social events, swag and call outs. Monika will research ways that previous Boards have recognized volunteers. James will consolidate data to see who is volunteering for the club and who is volunteering multiple times.

7. Committee Updates

The Race committee has prioritized course certifications for races that are occurring over the next 2 years. Jim Dahlem and the certifiers have the list for certification. Put in new updates for RD's and ARD's. Updates have been made to RD's and ARD list. There is a new group of ARD's from the last training session. There have been discussions about new course ideas. Piece of Cake, Danny has suggested the Whitman course for Hope for Henry in addition to potential for Sligo Creek Parkway as a potential course.

Deb provided an update on the Program Committee. Summer programs are up and running and good registrations for the fall. Annually programs are projected to exceed 2026 numbers. With the exception of a few programs, most enrollment is trending upwards. The new Summer Speed Program has 88 runners and participants have expressed how much they are enjoying the program.

Monika provided an update on the Race Committee.

8. Open Discussion

Topics included: tech committee and providing link to the new results experience on the page for our members to try out.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, Brian adjourned the meeting at 9:04 pm.