

**Great Plains Bicycling Club**  
**April Board of Directors Meeting**  
**April 10, 2013**

The meeting was held at Southview Christian Church, 22<sup>nd</sup> and South Streets, beginning at 7:15 PM..

**Present:** Rick Dockhorn, Mary Poe, Dick Draper, Jane Goertzen, Chris Blackstock, Bob Boyce, Hal Smith, Steve Clements, and Randy Smith.

Minutes from the February and March meetings were approved.

The Treasurer's report was approved.

**Spring Fling Planning**

Randy showed an updated Spring Fling map. A PDF file is posted on the GPBC website on the Spring Fling page.

Steve Clements related that Dave Hobson has suggested starting future Spring Fling rides later in the morning for warmer temperatures. Randy pointed out that with current 9:00 am start time riders are still on the course at 3:00 pm or later, and volunteers unloading the truck don't finish until after 6:00 pm.

Jane Goertzen reported the results of her research on vests for ride volunteers. Prices for polyester vests in day-glo green or orange range from \$2.76 to 4.35 depending on source. Total cost including printing could be as much as \$14-\$15 each or under \$10 each depending on where they are ordered. A motion was approved to order 30 of the more expensive vests with reflective strips, in day-glo green, with the club logo to be printed on the back by Wingfoot Imprinted Sportswear.

Dick Draper acquired magnetic signs with the club name for SAG vehicles to use during public rides. Four signs were purchased for \$142.10 from Sign Solutions of Lincoln.

Rick Dockhorn prepared a list of volunteers for Spring Fling. Rick will collect phone numbers to add to the info to be printed on the back of the maps. Randy will arrange for 300 maps to be printed at Eagle Group

Rick Dockhorn and Chris Blackstock will coordinate food purchases.

**Ride of Silence**

Hal Smith is coordinating the Ride of Silence, scheduled for May 15, which will have a new start location at the Jayne Snyder Trails Center.

### **Other Discussion**

The board discussed a grant opportunity for Bike and Trail Advocacy projects funded by the Bikes Belong Coalition. These community partnership grants would require partnerships between the club, a government agency such as the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department, and a private business (such as a bike shop). The application deadline is May 24, 2013. In an email discussion prior to the board meeting, an project idea to sponsor additional “Where is Your Helmet” signs along city and NRD trails and at schools was discussed.. Club member Bob Brown expressed interest in the project. The board agreed to support Bob if he wanted to follow through with a grant application.

GPBC has agreed to provide SAG support for the long tour route on the Homestead Trail at Trail Trek on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Trail Trek organizers would like to have club volunteers staff a fixed SAG stop at Saltillo Road or Roca Road, and to provide roving SAG volunteers. Steve Clements will organize volunteers.

The board discussed the possibility of placing temporary signs along the MoPac trail to advertise the Ride of Silence and Heatstroke 100.

The May meeting of the board is scheduled for Wednesday, May8 at 7:15 at Southview Christian Church.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.