

**Great Plains Bicycling Club  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday 20 March 2016**

The meeting was held at Southview Christian Church, 22<sup>nd</sup> & South Streets beginning at 7:33 pm.

**Present:** Pat Grewe, Chris Blackstock, Edie Matteson, Mike Berger, Pat Bracken, Max Antoine, Steve Clements, Bob Boyce, and Randy Smith.

The minutes of the March meeting of the board were approved.

**Treasurer's Report - Steve Clements**

Assets of the club as of 31 March were \$16,051.32, including \$916 in jersey inventory. The report was approved.

**Old Business**

Ride Leaders and Club Rides

Few new club rides have been proposed recently.

Spring Fling Checklist

The checklist of preparations/tasks for Spring Fling was reviewed. Portapotties and the truck have been reserved. Chris Blackstock will inventory equipment. Randy will organize routes signs.

Heatstroke Banner

Steve Clements has not had time to check on prices for a banner to be used as a photo backdrop at the Heatstroke 100. This topic was tabled until further information is available.

By-Laws Update

Pat Grewe is looking over the state statutes covering non-profit corporations for guidance on revisions of the club by-laws. He will also consult some other attorneys, starting with club members; several board members suggesting contacting David Rowe for advice.

Website Development

Steve Clements presented an updated list of proposed website development items. Some items have to do with simplifying and streamlining needed tasks for membership maintenance, ride registration, and product sales, others are new web capabilities for the convenience of the members. There was a spirited discussion of the necessity and possible cost of these items. The board approved a motion to allocate up to \$2,000 for implementing items on the list at Steve's discretion.

Previous proposals included capability to do bulk upload ride registration information collected at the ride and entered into a spreadsheet. In consultation with Transformation Marketing it was decided that it would be simpler to provide a web form to allow post-ride direct entry of individual registrations by authorized individuals.

### Website Protection Plan

No motion was put forward to approve subscribing to the website protection plan proposed by Transformation Marketing.

### Member Survey

At the January meeting Pete Smith had expressed interest in helping to develop member survey questions, but he has been unable to attend subsequent meetings. Mike Berger agreed to e-mail Pete to see if he is still interested in working on the survey.

### **New Business**

#### Ride of Silence

Scott Braly has proposed a new route for this year's Ride of Silence, starting at the Lincoln Children's Zoo. Edie has tested the route and suggested not including trails, but rather staying on streets for the entire ride for better visibility to motorists.

#### Lincoln Marathon

Lynn Friesen is coordinating bike volunteers for the marathon.

#### Trail Trek - June 26

The ride is posted on the GPBC website. GPBC is coordinating trail guides and transporting supplies to the SAG stop at the Novartis MoPac East trailhead (84<sup>th</sup> Street). Edie is the club liason to Trail Trek but will be out of town on the day of the ride. She will send an e-mail to the member list asking for folks to volunteer as trail guides for the different routes. Steve Clements (and perhaps other board members?) will handle SAG supply transport.

#### Lincoln Triathlon

In past years Jane Goertzen has recruited and coordinated volunteers for the bicycling segment of the Lincoln Last Blast Triathlon at Branched Oak Lake. As she was absent for this meeting, this item was tabled until a future meeting.

#### Posting Bicycle Laws on the Club Website

CycleWorks has posted a link on their website to Lincoln ordinances concerning bicyclists. Several board members expressed interest in posting a link to the CycleWorks page and to Nebraska state statutes pertaining to bicycling. Randy will check on-line information and report to the board.

#### Nebraska Sesquicentennial

Edie Matteson contacted the Nebraska Sesquicentennial board and they would welcome participation by the club and registration of club public events as part of the celebration.

Due to the Ride of Silence scheduled for the third Wednesday of May, the May board meeting will be held Wednesday May 25th.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Randy Smith