

**Great Plains Bicycling Club
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday 19 July 2017**

The meeting was held at Sesostris Shrine, 1050 Saltillo Road, starting at 7:30 pm.

Present: Doreen Bowles, Mike Berger, Jim Kreiger, Rick Dockhorn, Max Antoine, Chris Blackstock, Pat Bracken, Steve Clements, Jane Goertzen, Pat Grewe, Jon LeDuc, Edie Matteson, and Randy Smith. Steve Busboom, Carol Busboom, and Keith Will of Sesostris Shrine also were in attendance for the first part of the meeting.

Heatstroke 100

The meeting began with a discussion of the Heatstroke 100 preparations and planning, including discussion with our hosts of the use of the Sesostris Shrine building.

Use of the Shrine Building:

- 1) Riders will have access to the restrooms inside the building only via the front door.
- 2) In order to protect the floors, signs will be posted asking riders to remove shoes/cleats when entering the building.
- 3) Carol Busboom will set up a first aid station inside the building for riders that need first aid or cooling.
- 4) After discussion of alternatives, it was agreed that food will not be allowed inside the building. Riders should enter the building only to access the restrooms or first aid station. Signs will be required on the front door.

Rick Dockhorn volunteered to check with Bike Rack and JoyRide on whether they would like to provide mechanical support at the start.

Pat Bracken will recruit volunteers, and Randy Smith is organizing signage. The additional two safety signs have been delivered (the club now has 12 safety signs). Shriners will assist with parking (including a group dressed as Keystone Cops); some may help with a SAG stop.

A 100-mile gravel route for the Heatstroke has been posted on Strava. It intersects the road routes at a number of points and provides access to SAG stops. Pat Grewe and Rick Dockhorn will place pin flags at turns on this route. A link to the Strava page and a GPX file of the route will be posted on the club website. Pat Grewe will print some cue sheets to be available at registration.

Randy expressed a need for very prominent signage on some significant turns on the road routes, especially at the turn in Milford. It was suggested that a club feather sign be posted there. Edie suggested posting "No!" signs beyond the turns. It was also suggested that road paint be used to mark the turns in addition to signs.

Minutes Approval

The minutes of the June meeting of the board was approved.

Treasurer's Report

Steve Clements reported that the club checking account has \$12,033.81. Another \$1,666.78 is in

the PayPal account, and the value of merchandise inventory is \$2,463.50. The report was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Eclipse Ride

Jim Krieger reported that a brochure has been created by Great Plains Trails Network (GPTN), the event is posted on the GPTN website, and a link to this page placed on the club website. Three people responded to a request for volunteers. A water-only SAG stop is planned at Princeton.

Kaneko Jersey

About 40 "Ascent Tower" jerseys were ordered through the Voler website. Rick Dockhorn showed fabric prints of the final panel designs. The jerseys were sold at \$74; the unit cost based on the number ordered was \$60, so the club will realize some profit from the project.

Club Caps

Rick Dockhorn brought the club caps to the meeting, and caps were distributed to board members.

Firecracker 50

The Firecracker ride had 138 riders registered. Bob Boyce handled the start and Jim Krieger and Doreen Bowles worked the SAG stop. They purchased 25 pounds of bananas and 10 pounds of oranges, and all but a few were used. It was suggested that for future rides an end time for the SAG should be set and stated on the map. Jim and Doreen suggested locating the SAG stop in the parking area on Hwy 66 where there is more room rather than on the shoulder of Hwy 15. Doreen bought a pop-up nylon trash receptacle to hold trash bags, which she demonstrated at the meeting. The board authorized her to purchase three more for the club to use at SAGs.

Donation to Attorney Jerry Pigsley for ByLaws Work

After discussion, a motion by Pat Bracken to provide \$200 and a thank-you card to Jerry Pigsley for his ByLaws work was approved. Mike Berger will sign the card for the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Art Bike Restorations

Liz Shea-McCoy contacted the club again to request a donation for restoration of one of the Tour de Lincoln art bikes. About \$1500 to \$2000 would be required for the project. Steve Clements asked if there is a non-profit organization in place that could accept such a donation. A motion by Pat Grewe was approved to decline to make a donation.

Ice Cream Ride

Eddie Matteson reported on an ice cream ride held the previous Sunday (a very hot day) starting at 2:00 pm. Ten riders participated, most of whom said they responded to the e-mail blast rather than the website ride schedule or Facebook page.

Facebook Access

It was suggested that the club set up a Facebook page and encourage the current the current group members to migrate to the new page. The current GPBC Facebook group is private, which means that only those with Facebook accounts can see the group postings, whereas the page could be seen by anyone on the web. There was an extended discussion of the capabilities and restrictions of a page versus a group. Jim Krieger agreed to research these options.

Heatstroke Donation

Pat Bracken suggested that the club donate \$75 for the use of the Clatonia ballfield restrooms for the Heatstroke SAG stop. It was agreed that the responsible organization needs to be identified before the board can agree to make such a donation.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07.

Respectfully submitted by Randy Smith

Refreshment Volunteers at Upcoming Meetings

August: Mike Berger	September: Edie Matteson	October: Rick Dockhorn	
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