

**Great Plains Bicycling Club
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday 18 October 2017**

The meeting was held at Southview Church, starting at 7:30 pm.

Present: Board Members: Mike Berger, Randy Smith, Rick Dockhorn, Chris Blackstock, Pat Grewe, Steve Clements, Pat Bracken, Max Antoine, Jim Krieger, Jon LeDuc, and Edie Matteson. Also present: Scott Braly and Courtney Wayda.

Minutes Approval

The minutes of the September meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Steve Clements reported \$10,084.61 in the club checking account and \$5,067.40 in PayPal. He reported having difficulties generating reports from the E-commerce system in the club website. Randy Smith suggested that it could be acceptable to the club to report aggregate totals of PayPal transactions rather than attempting to separately track each transaction. The report was approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Annual Meeting: Thursday November 16, 6:30 pm at Lazlo's South

Edie Matteson reported that 16 people have so far confirmed they will attend. It is hoped that more will attend. Mike Berger presented a tentative agenda for items following the dinner, including a vote on recent changes to the club bylaws, election of board members, a report on the year in review, and the Treasurer's report.

Holiday Party: December 8, 2017 at 6:00 pm at Old Chicago

Scott Braly and Courtney Wayda presented arrangements that have been made to hold the Holiday Party at Old Chicago. The party will be in a large upstairs room with a bar. Food will be salad, bacon cheddar mac, and pizza buffet.

The total cost to the club is estimated to be \$840 to \$1,000, including \$480 for food, \$180 for drink tickets (based on 40 people), \$160 for prizes (gift cards), and \$20 for a guessing game. Activities will include a gift exchange (no gag gifts) and several games with \$50 gift cards as prizes.

NEW BUSINESS

Memorial Donation for Randy Gibson

Steve Clements asked the board to formally approve a memorial donation for Lincoln cyclist Randy Gibson, who was killed while riding last month by a drunk driver. Informal approval was previously provided via e-mail. The motion was made and approved.

A lengthy discussion followed concerning future club policy (if any) on such donations. Would this action be seen as setting a precedent for the future? Lancaster County does not allow elaborate memorials (such as ghost bikes) in the right-of-way at accident sites. The county is now considering allowing temporary generic signs to be posted at these sites. It was suggested that the club could donate money to partially or completely pay the cost for such memorial signs at

accident sites involving club members. This issue was tabled pending county action on the memorial signage proposal.

Future Donations

Randy Smith suggested that the next time donations are considered to outside organizations, the club should consider donating to Mad Dads, which recently moved to smaller space that requires a monthly rental.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10.

Respectfully submitted by Randy Smith