

**Great Plains Bicycling Club
Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday 18 April 2018**

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

Present: Board Members: Mike Berger, Edie Matteson, Chris Blackstock, Steve Clements, Pat Bracken, Pat Grewe, Rick Dockhorn, Jim Krieger, Jon LeDuc, Jane Goertzen, Max Antoine, and Randy Smith.

Minutes of the March meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report and Website Issues

Steve Clements has not yet acquired new accounting software, so no financial update was available. In reviewing T-shirt orders for Spring Fling, Steve thinks the size distribution is unusual, so he is not sure orders are being correctly logged in the system. The club has been billed \$313 for setting up the member-nonmember payment structure and addition of cap orders in addition to T-shirts. A second billing covering setting up the web page forms will bring the total to \$718.75. Steve plans to pay the first bill but has questions about the items in the second billing and whether all parts of the registration and membership system are working properly.

OLD BUSINESS

Trail Trek

Nothing new to report other than the need for volunteers.

Club Rides - Ride Committee

Pat Grewe reported that club rides have been scheduled through the end of May. The Ride Committee met March 27 and assigned Pat to coordinate June-July scheduling, Jim Krieger for August-September, and Jon LeDuc for October-November. No club ride is scheduled for the weekend of May 12-13 to avoid conflicts with the Wear Yellow Ride and Mothers Day.

Spring Fling -Jon LeDuc

Jon reported that volunteers have been lined up for most assignments. Negotiations ensued to recruit board members to do an inventory of non-perishable food items and supplies, assist with purchasing food, and packing food for SAG stops. Rick Dockhorn is coordinating production of T-shirts, and will pick them up and do the packaging.

Fly Dogz Vendor

Mike Berger talked with the owner of Fly Dogz about serving at public rides. He would charge \$3 to \$5 for hot dogs and provide a percentage to the club. Most board members expressed a desire to continue providing free hot dogs and brats at public rides, and no motion was made to contract with Fly Dogz.

BikeLNK Rollout Friday April 20

No board members were available to staff a club booth at the celebration in the Haymarket.

Southview Church Donation

Steve Clements reviewed the history of donations to the church for the club’s use of the meeting room. Donations have been made at irregular intervals and in varying amounts, though with the intention of an annual \$200 donation. Steve suggested an annual donation of \$250. Steve’s motion to contribute \$250 for 2018 was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Rescue Facts

A vendor approached Mike Berger concerning Rescue Facts, a nylon wrap containing identification and medical information that can wrap around a bicycle helmet strap. The same salesperson approached CycleWorks; Rick Dockhorn was not impressed with the product. No action was taken on this issue.

Ride of Silence

The Ride of Silence will be May 16th. Jon LeDuc will lead the ride with Chris Blackstock assisting. The May board meeting will be held Wednesday May 23 to avoid a conflict with this ride.

Firecracker 50

The board worked to persuade Doreen Bowles to staff the SAG stop again this year. Doreen agreed if Jim Krieger would assist; Jim agreed to do so. Edie Matteson will likely be able to handle the sign-in duties.

Heatstroke 100 - August 26th

Pat Grewe suggested that a SAG stop and porta-potty are needed at the city park in Cortland because the convenience store there does not allow riders to use their restroom. This would also provide a SAG stop for the 35-mile route riders.

Bridges to Hope

Doreen reported that Bridges to Hope is asking the club for help with their annual Bike-A-Thon fundraiser, tentatively scheduled to be held on one of the last two weekends in September. This ride includes a 20-mile trail ride on the Jamaica Trail, and they would like assistance in planning, advertising , and recruiting riders for an accompanying road ride. Their organization can provide SAGs on the route. The concensus of the board was that we could provide options for a road route (such as the 35-mile Heatstroke Route) or an out-and-back ride on Highway 77, along with providing safety signs. Doreen will discuss with them further.

Meeting Refreshment Volunteers:

May: Mike	June: ?	July: ?	August: ?
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The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.
Respectfully submitted by Randy Smith