

GREAT PLAINS BICYCLING CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 25, 2022, starting at 7:00 pm at Scooter's, 70th & Pioneers

Present: Edie Matteson, Marianne Day, Brian Dohmen, Mark St. Clair, Dan Leger, and Randy Smith.

OLD BUSINESS:

Meeting Minutes: The minutes of the April board meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Marianne Day reported that the current checking account balance as of May 25th was \$5,634.90. The board approved donations of \$100 each to Elmwood-Murdock and Louisville Schools for Spring Fling use.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS:

Equipment

Caution Signs: Prior to the meeting Randy reported that the cost to replace one caution sign and two sign bases would be \$394.10. The Board approved purchasing the replacements.

Canopies:

Edie reported that she has replaced some nuts and bolts on one of the canopies and patched some holes in one canopy and bag. She requested board approval to purchase replacement nuts and bolts from the manufacturer, at about \$30. Approved.

Feather signs:

Randy will check the feather signs to make sure each has a bungee cord to hold sign to the rod and that spikes are stored in the sign bag.

Canopy loans:

After considerable discussion about loans of canopies to individuals and other organizations, the Board voted not to loan canopies, but to use them for club events only.

Jerseys:

The club jersey campaign failed to reach the minimum order number. Randy reported receiving a phone inquiry about Heatstroke jerseys. The Board discussed offering Heatstroke jerseys, which have not been offered for several years, and voted to do so using the Voler store, which will handle shipping.

Public Rides:

Ride of Silence: About 40 riders attended. Edie suggested that we revert to gathering on the west side of the Capitol Building to read the names on the Memorium list because there would be less traffic and noise. She also suggested more outreach to the press about the event.

Firecracker 50:

Edie will contact the Seward July Fourth organizers to make sure we are part of the events and that they will set up a portapotty at the SAG stop. We may need to recruit volunteers to man the stop. She will also contact Living Word Church; last year they took care of "registration" and also provided SAG volunteers. Some board members will be out of town over the July 4th weekend; Randy volunteered to oversee the event and purchase food. Will need to print maps and waiver sheets for the starting point.

Heatstroke 100:

We plan to open registration by June 15th using last year's road routes. Several board members advocated for raising registration fees, but the board ultimately decided to keep registration pricing the same for this year to help build back attendance. Edie suggested coming up with a new gravel route that would intersect with at least one of the SAG stops. She will work on a T-shirt design.

Marketing Ideas:

Edie again suggested producing stickers and/or patches that could be sold or handed out at events to advertise the club. The Board approved moving forward with an order for patches.

Annual Meeting:

Tentative date was set for Sunday November 13th. Edie will check on availability and pricing for the Pioneer Park Nature Center (used last year) or the Antelope Park enclosed shelter.

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 15th at Scooters.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Submitted by Randy Smith
June 11, 2022