

GREAT PLAINS BICYCLING CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday September 20th, 2023, starting at 7:00 pm

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the August meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Marianne Day reported that the checking account balance as of the meeting date was \$4,619.11. Heatstroke 100 revenue was \$3,156.44 versus \$1,766.23 in expenses. There were 70 registered riders for the event. Due to requests from ride-day registrants, T-shirt sales were reopened after the ride.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Meeting:

The club's annual meeting and potluck will be held Sunday November 12th or 19th at Pioneers Park Nature Center starting at 12:30 pm. Edie will check with the Nature Center on availability. There will be no October GPBC board meeting.

Volunteer T-Shirts

Edie did not order additional volunteer T-shirts for Heatstroke because of uncertainty of finances. The minimum order of 12 shirts costs \$160. We need information on volunteers who don't currently have a shirt.

Metric Loop Ride

Edie has scheduled a 60-mile loop ride for Saturday September 30th starting at 8:00 am at the MoPac East 84th Street trailhead. The route will be 84th Street to the Billy Wolf Trail to Hwy 2, then east to Syracuse, north on Hwy 50 to Hwy 34, then west to pick up the MoPac East trailhead back to the start. Esa will provide SAG support.

Fundraisers

Edie suggested holding a Go Fund Me fundraiser for the club to assist with our finances. The board consensus was to hold off on this idea until early next year, in part because we have not yet been invoice for final website development costs.

2024 Rides

Heatstroke: Randy suggested holding the Heatstroke 100 on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend to avoid the recent conflict with Gravel Worlds. Pros: avoids that conflict, and the Labor Day holiday provides everyone an opportunity to recover. Cons: some people may be traveling for the holiday weekend. We should conduct an online poll to get opinions from club members.

Spring Fling: Edie would like to explore alternative routes & consider working with Lee Lazure (a BRAN organizer) on a ride between Omaha and Lincoln.

Other News: Wear Yellow cancelled its fall gravel ride. The organization is donating remaining assets and will not continue holding fundraising rides.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Submitted by Randy Smith
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