

Call to Order and Attendance

The meeting was called to order by Gene Zaworski at 6:32pm.

Board members present were:

- Gene Zaworski, President;
- Tom Drabant, Vice President and Ride Chair;
- Vince Kelley, Treasurer;
- Ford Sakata, Secretary;
- Steve Magnino, Program Chair & Member at-large;
- Dorrie Merkel, Membership Chair & Member at-large; and
- Christine Van Dornick, Member at-large

Approval of February Meeting Minutes

Gene asked for a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved as written.

Financial Report (Vince)

Vince provided the following finance report:

- Total: \$26,759 (savings and checking)
- Income included \$1280 mostly from dues
- Key expenditures of \$1632 included cost of materials for building bike stands for the swap; ride leader Thank-You meeting; and other costs associated with the swap.

Membership Report (Dorrie)

Membership renewal is underway with ~60% renewals received to date. Membership stands at 106 households representing 145 individual members. This includes 6 new members since the beginning of the year.

Ride Report (Tom)

Tom reported that the ride schedule is coming together. In addition to the regular ride schedule, the membership is stepping up by posting a number of additional rides to provide the membership with additional variety.

Because of the long winter, there are still a number of members who haven't been out to ride yet so participation is expected to increase in April.

Old Business

Club Web-Page – Ford reported that we have identified a potential web designer to redesign our webpage. We have also collected Board and membership feedback regarding desired features. The web-page sub team will interview the developer and report progress in April.

New Business

Club Medical Insurance Policy – The club's general liability insurance no longer includes excess medical insurance. For this reason, a separate insurance policy is required which is based on the number of club members and the number of Arlington 500 participants. The Board approved payment of the \$230 premium.

E-mail List Server – The Board discussed several issues related to Yahoo email group that the club uses for sending messages to members:

- The list server currently contains a number of email recipients who are no longer members. It was agreed that non-members should be removed from the list server. Doing so might encourage some of the non-paying individuals to re-join. Before removing the non-members, a message should be sent via the list server stating that non-members will be removed on June 1st. This should be done on an annual basis.
- There was a lot of discussion regarding posting guidelines for the list server and the use of moderation. There are some basic posting guidelines on the club website (in the Frequently Asked Questions). Ford agreed to look these over and provide recommendations for changes (if any). The Board agreed that moderation should not be used without Board approval, except in very flagrant cases, even then, the Board should be consulted immediately.

Rewarding of Ride Leaders – Tom said he would like to consider some sort of method for recognizing and rewarding ride leaders. He asked that the Board and members provide ideas for consideration as a way to encourage leadership.

Important Dates

- Bike Swap, April 26, 2014
- Arlington 500, May 18, 2014
- Ride of Silence, May 21, 2014
- Club Picnic, July 20, 2014
- Progressive Dinner, August 23, 2014
- Halloween Hullabaloo, October 25, 2014
- Club Banquet, November 11 (tentative)
- Santa Ride, December 13, 2014

Meeting Adjournment and General Membership Meeting

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm and the General Membership meeting began shortly thereafter.

- During the General Meeting, Board members reported finances, membership and club activities.
- Program Topic - Bike Maintenance and 2014 Ride Season Preparation
 - Bike Lighting Selection - Ford provided an overview of items to consider when purchasing bike lights

- Helmet Fitting - Peter Szabo from Village CycleSport provided an overview of helmet types and how to properly fit the helmet
- Tire Care and Flat Repair - Dave Martin provided hands-on training for fixing flats.
- Chain Maintenance - Don Ami provided his how-to tips for chain cleaning and lubrication selection.

Respectfully submitted,

Ford Sakata,
Secretary