

WWBC Board Meeting Minutes August 12, 2020

Submitted by Cindy Asrir

Present: Cindy Asrir, Randall Braun, Lisa Burke, Peggy George, Patty Koel, Mike Rissi, David Schorow, Guy Shuman, Mindy Steiner, Vern Tucker, and Fran Williams.
Absent: Bill Sherwin.

The meeting took place on Zoom and was called to order at 7:04 pm. After a brief discussion, it was decided to skip the September meeting unless there is an urgent need.

The July board minutes were approved unanimously.

Area Updates

Secretary: Nothing to report.

Ride Chair: Lisa reported that the feedback on rides in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties has been positive so far, so she is reviewing whether to extend club rides to other counties. She compiled a "Biking by County" list, which she shared with the board. She advised that we hold off on rides in Alameda and San Francisco counties for now since they require that people within 30 feet of each other wear masks, which would be hard for our riders to do at all times.

Post meeting, health orders were reviewed again, and based on some limitations (eg. max 10 people in Napa) and differing interpretations of health orders (eg. Santa Cruz), club rides will remain local for the time being. As the Eastern Sierras are in counties allowing group rides, no changes to the one-time September event need to be made.

Lisa also brought up the issue of lapsed members who have been joining club rides. Lisa and Vern proposed that they email these lapsed members and remind them that only Western Wheeler members can participate in club rides, and that they need to renew their membership if they'd like to join a ride. Lisa stated that while guests are not allowed on WWBC rides at this time, multi-day rides where participants are required to pre-register online are exempt from this rule.

Peggy requested that we have more training available for using Ride with GPS, and Lisa said she would have someone write an article for the Flat Tyre about it.

Fall Fun Series Update: David reviewed Bill's proposed ride schedule for the Fall Fun Series. It was noted that a couple of the proposed rides go into Alameda county, but it was decided that we can continue to monitor the situation as we get closer to the ride dates.

Sequoia Chair: No updates.

Events Chair:

Oktoberfest: Fran and Cindy talked about the lack of feasibility for the Oktoberfest picnic this year due to COVID-19 and recommended that it be postponed to next year. Guy will talk to Mountain View Parks & Rec about transferring our registration and fee to next year. Peggy said that she will put a notice in the Flat Tyre that the Oktoberfest picnic has been postponed to next year.

Holiday Party: Cindy said that she will talk to Michael's about the holiday party but thinks that it probably won't be able to happen this year. She discussed the possibility of having a virtual event, but the board thought that may not work very well. It was proposed that we could still have the photo contest and voting online, as well as give awards and publish the names of the recipients online.

Bike Movies: Cindy reported that the next bike movie night will be "All for One" this Friday, Aug. 14. She said that she has planned the next three films for September, October and November, and will see about continuing the movies next year.

Presentations: Fran reported that she and Cindy discussed the possibility of having members give presentations on their biking trips via Zoom. Cindy said that she would write a blurb for the Flat Tyre to see if anyone is interested in doing that.

Blood drive: David reported that the next WWBC blood drive at Stanford is Aug. 26. Mindy said that she sent out an email about it.

Flat Tyre Editor: Peggy reported that the Sept 20 deadline for the October Flat Tyre is a hard deadline since the editor, Joice, will be traveling prior to the end of the month. Peggy said she will be the September editor.

Membership: Vern reported that the number of members increased by 16 over the last month (the biggest increase since the Shelter in Place began in March). The total number of members is currently 1011, which includes 98 who are overdue and 20 who have lapsed.

Webmaster: No updates.

Treasurer: Mike reported that he was unable to do this month's financial report before the meeting since he is traveling but he will send one out next week when he returns. He said finances have remained stable since there haven't been any events due to COVID.

New business

Eastern Sierra Escape: Guy reported that ACTC doesn't have an organizer for this year's Eastern Sierra Escape and requested that ACTC members be able to join WWBC members for the rides. The board agreed that was fine.

Elections and Awards: David will send out an email in September soliciting new board members for the elections later this year. He will also send out an email asking members if there are any nominations for Lefkowitz or club awards.

iPhone app: David reported that David Murphy has completed updating the Western Wheelers iPhone app. He had some issues uploading version 2.0 to the app store, but was able to complete the process and the new version is now available.

Bike Hut Fundraiser Ride: David and Randall reported that Potrero Nuevo Farms is hosting a DIY fundraiser ride September 1-15 for Abundant Grace (a charity benefiting the coastside community) and are asking that local bike clubs be an entry level sponsor at the \$200 level. It was moved and approved that the club donate \$200 total to be a sponsor of the fundraiser, as well as promote the event on our website and in the Flat Tyre for our members.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.