

PORTLAND BICYCLING CLUB

Club Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2019

Submitted by Cindy Bernert-Coppola, Membership Secretary

Attendance: Attendance was estimated at 48 persons.

President Pat McManus called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm at All Saints Episcopal Church.

She asked if there were any guests or first-time attendees and new member Kurt Lootens was introduced.

Program:

Pat McManus introduced Ira Ryan, co-owner of Breadwinner Cycles, "maker of handmade, custom bicycles for people who love to ride every day." Ira gave a history of his company and demonstrated their techniques using member Mark Klein's Breadwinner bike and a stripped down steel frame. He also mentioned that they had acquired Sugar Wheel Works, a bike wheel company they had been working with for years. The Breadwinner shop also has a coffee shop where groups can meet before or after a ride and view bikes being made.

After a short 10-minute break, at 7:54 p.m., President Pat McManus called to order the business portion of the meeting.

A MOTION to approve the May Club Minutes as posted was made by member Arden Shelton and seconded by Steve Price. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Corey Eng reported the bills were paid and the Club is solvent. Total available funds stand at \$60,528; \$56,000 is in the checking account. Balances are showing a loss of \$550 more this year than last year. If members would like to see a detailed Profit and Loss statement, contact Corey.

OFFICER REPORTS

Road Captain #2 Rob Schroeder reported that June has 96 rides scheduled on the calendar with lots of variety. The mileage sign-in sheet for riding to tonight's meeting was on the back table.

Member-at-Large Stacy Barbadillo reported on the status of SB 998 (the Idaho Stop law). The bill passed in the senate but needed to be approved by the house. Stacy read the language of the bill.

Member-at-Large Joel Loh reported that finishing touches are being completed on a bridge installed for a bike path leading to Vancouver Lake on Lower River Road. A section is being completed near the Subaru yard. He also mentioned that riders should avoid Port Road in Vancouver as there are shavings imbedded in the asphalt in many places and he and others have experienced flats.

Member-at-Large Steve Price reported about detours on the Springwater Corridor. He has used them without any issues.

Membership Secretary Cindy Bernert-Coppola reported 503 active members on the website. In May, she attempted to contact families without family members on the website with some success. There are 87 family memberships to date with a total of 185 family members.

Vice-president Ashley Reynolds reported the following:

- She will be the ride leader for the Columbia County Explorer, which has been approved for club mileage. The ride is on June 15 and has a 62-mile ride and a century.
- Members were asked to vote on the new logo, either No. 1 or No. 2, before leaving the meeting tonight. She explained that members were not voting on the color combination but the layout. (Logo

#2, with the central iconic bike and 'est 1971' easily won, 30 to 18.)

President Pat McManus, in Joan Cullen's absence, reminded everyone to check the website for the minutes of Club and Board meetings. She mentioned that a series of family rides had been created for the summer and encouraged members to come along for support or bring their children or grandchildren. Pete and Elaine Schmidt will lead a ride out of Gresham and Pat will lead a ride out of Sellwood. The rides are on the calendar.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Web Committee: Alan Coppola reported that the switch to the new URL, portlandbicyclingclub.com, had occurred over the past weekend. There was an issue with the links in the Quick Releases. If anyone comes across bad links, please notify the webmaster through the contact form. Also, if anyone sees other websites referring to the Club as Portland Wheelmen Touring Club, please notify anyone on the board, especially Darin Swanson who is heading up the transition effort.

Safety Committee: Member-at-Large Steve Price reported on a recent injury of a guest on a club ride. He praised Dave McQuery for being so diligent in completing the online accident report form. The form has been submitted to the Club's insurance company.

Program Chair: President Pat McManus reported on the need for a Program Chair for club meetings. She volunteered to do it until a replacement is found. There are no open slots until October because there are no club meetings in July (July 4th is first Thursday) and August (club picnic), and Maria Sworske has volunteered to present on her Africa trip in September. She stressed how important this position is to the Club. Because we are a 501 (c)(3), we are considered an educational entity. Club programs are one of the main ways we educate our members and the public, along with safety talks before rides, and ride leader workshops and training.

Pioneer Century: President Pat McManus explained that being new to the presidency, she is still feeling her way. She asked a group to explore options for 2020 but feels her directive was too broad. Feedback is needed on what the role of a club event should be. A survey went out to ride leaders and will now go out to volunteers. Any feedback is appreciated.

Ron Householder Memorial Event: Vice-President Ashley Reynolds explained that in Ron Householder's will, he left some funds to the club and asked that they be used to "have fun." An event has been planned for September 14. Two rides of different lengths will be scheduled for that morning to start at McMenamins, Cornelius Pass Roadhouse, in Hillsboro. Lunch will follow the rides. Ashley is looking for two volunteers to lead the rides. Lunch is free, but registration will be required and is limited to 100.

Annual Club Picnic: Vice President Ashley Reynolds reported that the picnic will be held at Columbia Park on Sunday, August 4 and will be pot luck style. Members with last names A-L bring a salad. Members with last name K-Z bring a dessert.

2019 STP: Event Volunteer Coordinator, Corey Eng, reminded everyone that 26 volunteer positions are still open, and members need to sign up online at SignUpGenius as well as on Corey's physical sign up board. He reminded volunteers that the pizza party would be on July 8 at Flying Pie Pizzeria.

NEW BUSINESS

Mid-year Elections: President Pat McManus introduced the slate of officers who had been nominated and confirmed their acceptance of the nomination. She called for additional nominations from the floor and there were none.

- Member-at-Large (July through June): Stacy Barbadillo
- Member-at-Large (July through June): Dave McQuery
- Road Captain #2 (July through June): Rob Schroeder

Pat moved that the slate be approved. Sarah Hill seconded the motion. The meeting attendees voted

unanimously to approve the slate.

President Pat McManus explained that another position was up for a mid-year election because Joan Cullen, Recording Secretary, had resigned effective June 30. Ann Morrow had been nominated and had accepted the nomination, though she couldn't be present for this meeting. Pat asked if there were other nominations for the position and there were none. Pat moved that Ann Morrow be approved as Recording Secretary. Kathleen Hellem seconded the motion. The motion passed.

President Pat McManus asked members to consider volunteering for a position at the next election in December, stating it was ideal to have veteran members and new members serving on the board. She stated that the Board's duties involve: watching the budget; monitoring the Club's income; slimming down events if needed; trying to meet the Club's tax-exempt status; and being a sounding board and conduit for Club members. Club members' tasks are: riding their bikes; socializing; being safe; and reaching out to others outside the Club. She stated that one of the deterrents to being a Board member seemed to be the high frequency of meetings. Starting in September, Board meetings will occur before the Club meeting so the number of times that a Board member must travel to meetings will be cut in half.

Sunday Parkways, June 30: Kathleen Hellem has stepped up to coordinate the Sunday Parkways events this summer. So far, the Club has only signed up/paid for one event on June 30. Kathleen stated that Portland Bicycling Club's booth will be at Kenton Park and encouraged members to stop by or ride leaders could route their rides there. She does not need volunteers for June 30, but if the Club wanted to do July 21, volunteers are needed as Kathleen is out of town. If you are available, please contact Kathleen.

OPEN FLOOR

Kathleen Hellem reminded members that Vancouver Bike Club's event, the RACC, will be on Saturday, July 27, starting at Fort Vancouver. The cost is \$70. Proceeds are going to Bike Clark County and the Clark County Food Bank.

Dick Weber reminded members that the Gorge Ride is coming up on June 22. He also brought information regarding a planned bridge crossing between Milwaukie and Lake Oswego for bicycles and pedestrians.

Raffle Drawings:

- Dick Weber won the \$25 bike shop gift card.
- Craig Hill and Ken Norland won the free passes to the Vineyard Tour

President Pat McManus adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.