

# PORTLAND BICYCLING CLUB

Board Minutes

January 9, 2020

Respectfully submitted by  
Ann Morrow, Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order at 5:05 p.m. by President Pat McManus.

Board Members Present: President, Pat McManus; Vice President, Doug Myers; Recording Secretary, Ann Morrow; Membership Secretary, Cindy Bernert-Coppola; Treasurer, Corey Eng; Road Captains, Darin Swanson and Rob Schroeder; Members-at-Large, Alan Mevis, Mike Heffernan and Mark Lander.

Guests: Kathleen Hellem, Joan Cullen, and Chuck Dorr.

## **Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: to approve board meeting minutes for December was made by Ann Morrow seconded by Mark Lander and approved.

Ann Morrow began a discussion about the club's Yahoo Group. Yahoo has discontinued offering the platform that was used for the club's list serve. Various options were discussed. It was determined that the PBC Group Facebook page can be utilized for timely messages and will thereby replace the Yahoo Groups.

Mike Heffernan initiated a discussion regarding E-Bike policy on club mileage. Opinions revealed that most members don't seem to care. Pat thought the Safety Committee (Members-at-Large) might discuss and create some policy centered on kinds allowed, legality of various types etc. However, no action by the board was necessary.

## **Treasurer's Report**

- Corey Eng shared the Wells Fargo printed account information showing a total of \$66,441.24 in the general account and \$359.23 in the Pioneer Century Checking account for a total of \$71,051.44 available. Corey reviewed the balance sheet. New Vice President Doug Myers questioned the large balance. Corey did a quick review of some financial information for new board members including STP income, tax requirements, 501(c)(3) status and Pat joined with requirements to maintain status of same. Pat noted trying to establish a Community Outreach position to look into ways to give back to the community. New Program Committee director, Kurt Lootens, might direct club meeting programs to be more educational. Or, should PBC just be a social club and deal with the tax implications? Corey directed the conversation back to the taxes and also noted that there is Directors and Officers insurance in place and League of American Bicyclists insurance for riders.

## **Committee Reports**

Cindy Bernert-Coppola, in her capacity as Web Committee, asked the Safety Committee, a.k.a. Members-at-Large, to check the web policies and articles as well as the accident report form and make sure they are okay.

Cindy Bernert-Coppola reported for the Website Committee and shared that there are pictures up of the entire 2020 board except for Mike Heffernan. She will get a group photo when everyone is present. She asked everyone to check the contact page for accuracy. Cindy noted a little glitch on the ride calendar in that there is no back arrow on the ride description.

Cindy reported on the Pedals and Pints Festival. She said that the Hair of the Dog quoted PBC a \$9 per person rate including sausage/buns/chips and beer. It was determined by the committee to not have beer offered at the mid-point, Zoighaus. The longer route, though not finalized, will go to Gladstone and the shorter route will use the Springwater/I-205 bike-paths and local Greenways. There will be insurance. When asked about the timing of the event, Cindy responded that the committee had tried to avoid conflicts with other events, needed time to plan, and, with the beer, wanted to tie into fall and Oktoberfest. PBC's event is planned for September 26 with Harvest Century and Sunday Parkways on the 27<sup>th</sup>. Corey expressed that he would like receipts for the planning meetings.

Cindy then shared that donations made to the club in 2019 totaled \$325 from about 6 or 7 people. \$100 has been donated in 2020 plus \$150 just donated. These funds might be used to "beef up" the education fund.

## **Officer Reports**

President Pat McManus began by asking if anyone was interested in attending League of American Bicycling LCI (League Cycling Instructor) training. PBC could pay for the training then, with an official trainer, set up community based cycling courses. A Bike Summit is scheduled in March. This offer will be opened up to the club. She also commented on PBC's donation (authorized in December) to Adventure Cycling in the amount of \$200. The club's name will be on their website as a supporter for whatever mile of road we choose somewhere south of Astoria, Oregon. Bud Rice's Fort Stevens rides include that area so it will be appropriate. Also, Pat solicited a volunteer to keep the Quick Releases Editor, Lynn Thompson, informed of pertinent information from the board. Finally, Pat will be working to move the new club jerseys forward to production with Arden.

Membership Secretary Cindy Bernert-Coppola affixed her board member helmet and shared that the club was up 9 members from December totaling 479 active members, 96 family memberships with a total of 196 family members (down 2 family members). There were some new members as well as reinstated members. She also had a printed version of the Membership Directory which some board members were clamoring for.

Vice President Doug Myers had no report.

Recording Secretary Ann Morrow had no report.

Road Captain Rob Schroeder mentioned the upcoming Ride Leader Workshop to follow the board meeting and threatened an e-mail blast soon.

Member-at-Large Alan Mevis, new to the board and therefore the Safety Committee, volunteered to write an article about the new Oregon law affecting bicyclists at stop signs, also known as the Idaho Stop Law.

Pat noted the time and adjourned the meeting at 6:47 p.m.