

PORTLAND BICYCLING CLUB

Club Minutes
November 5, 2020

Respectfully submitted by
Ann Morrow
Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Pat McManus.

Board Members Present: President , Pat McManus; Recording Secretary, Ann Morrow; Membership Secretary, Cindy Bernert-Coppola; Treasurer, Corey Eng; Road Captain, Robert Schroeder; Member-at-Large, Alan Mevis.

Approximately 24 individuals attended remotely, via Zoom.

General Meeting

Board Member Reports

- Treasurer: Corey Eng reminded members that, after logging in to the PBC web site, they can use the drop down menu available to members only and view the financial reports he generates on a monthly basis. As of October 31 the Wells Fargo statement shows \$53,905.54 as a balance. The Quick Books account shows approximately \$620 less due to outstanding checks, the bulk of which was a \$500 donation made to the North Plains Veteran’s Memorial Park. The balance reflects a loss of \$16,933 from January 1, 2020 through October 31, 2020 attributable to loss of memberships and no STP earnings.

- Membership Secretary: Cindy Bernert-Coppola (appearing from Rhode Island) reported that there were 345 active members, down 15 from October 1, 2020 but there was 1 new member. Responding to a question from a member she noted that prior to closing down for Covid-19 the club had about 540-570 active members. Chip Kyle asked about plans for contact when the club is “back again.” Cindy replied that she has given that some thought and plans to send past members a personal e-mail when it’s appropriate and encourage them to resume their membership. Steve Burkhardt volunteered to help with a marketing plan when we are back riding.

Eric Hendricks, Chairman of the Nomination Committee, was asked to share his slate of candidates for the upcoming December elections for the 2021 PBC Board. The list was as follows:

| OFFICE | CANDIDATE | TERM |
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| President | Doug Myers | Jan. – Dec. |
| Vice President | Ann Morrow | Jan. – Dec. |
| Treasurer | Corey Eng | Jan. – Dec. |

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| Recording Secretary | Kathleen Hellem | Jan. – Dec. |
| Membership Secretary | Cindy Bernert-Coppola | Jan. – Dec. |
| Road Captain #1 | Steve Burkhardt | Jan. – Dec |
| Member at Large | Stephen Bache | Jan. – Dec |
| Member at Large | Mike Heffernan | Jan. – Dec |
| Member at Large* | No candidates | To July 2021 |

*for Mark Landers' position

Pat shared her plans for voting on Zoom utilizing the polling option. She shared the current slate of candidates through polling to show the process. Possible scenarios were described with the solutions given. No objections to the proposal were made.

Maria Sworske suggested that an e-mail with the club meeting's Zoom link go out to members each month rather than just having it in the Quick Releases. Maria shared her own experience to demonstrate that it would make it less cumbersome to get to the link. The current e-mail list used by PBC includes former members but Cindy noted she could make a specific list for such e-mails.

Pat thanked Lynn Thompson for her hard work on the Quick Releases observing that even though PBC isn't doing much due to Covid-19 the QR was full of information and made it appear we have a lot going on.

Pat described the current scanning project and made a plea for more volunteers. 14 boxes of old newsletters and other documents have been received from former club historian Patty Mooney. 5 volunteers were scanning or available to scan these archives and 9 more volunteers would really make the work load lighter. Having these documents online would provide easy access to insights into the club's past. Barry Emmerling asked for old photos to scan as well. Clayton Hawkes, Chip Kyle and Gary Lippert volunteered to help. Dave McQuery, also a scanning volunteer, made a plea for consistency in naming the documents so they can be catalogued and found in a data base.

Pat mentioned some miscellaneous point of interest:

- The board had authorized a donation to the North Plains Veteran's Memorial Park in the amount of \$500 to go towards a bike rack. The dedication of the park would be 11/11 at 11:00 a.m. Ann Morrow thanked members for their hard work in previous years that had resulted in the club having money to donate to such a worthy cause.
- Annual charitable contributions would be considered at the December board meeting. Members are welcome to make suggestions.
- Cindy Bernert-Coppola reported that she has added past club meeting presentations to the web site to preserve a record of them and to comply with 501(c)(3) requirements to educate.
- The PBC Reach the Beach Team, led by Lynn Blanchard, raised \$4,207.81 putting them on the top 10 group fund raisers list for Oregon.

- Since there won't be an in person December meeting the swap meet can take place on the Facebook page.
- Joan Cullen suggested that members donate canned food or other items or cash to a favorite food pantry. SnowCap is PBC's usual recipient after the December meeting and members can give PBC credit for their donation if they prefer. Sunshine Division is another worthy charity.

Open Floor

Scott Ticknor asked about the Gear Swap and was encouraged to use Facebook or the Quick Releases. He was looking for gear and it was suggested he put out the word stating, "I am in need of..."

Corey Eng referred to his article in the November Quick Releases and made a plea for Awards nominations for only two categories: Member of the Year and Valued Member. The qualifications were changed due to the Covid-19 restrictions on riding and no events, etc. There will not be mugs or pins for 2020. Nominations should be sent to Corey.

Pat adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.