

PORTLAND BICYCLING CLUB

Board Minutes

May 18, 2022

Respectfully submitted by,

Kathleen Hellem

Recording Secretary

Attending via ZOOM: Board members: Vice President, Ann Morrow; Treasurer, Corey Eng; Recording Secretary, Kathleen Hellem; Road Captain, Rob Schroeder; Members at Large, Mark Barnes, Alan Mevis, Mike Heffernan, and Dave McQuery.

Board members not present: Membership Secretary, Christi Horton and Road Captain, Todd McCollum.

President Doug Myers called the board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board Meeting Minutes:

There were no additions or corrections to the April 20, 2022 board-meeting-minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Membership Report:

Ann Morrow provided a club membership update on behalf of Membership Secretary, Christi Horton. Total members as of today are 473 (no change since the club meeting). This included five new members in May so far: Cole Bodine, Gregor MacDonald, Jill Zurawski, Chuck Cheesman and Joe Walker.

Treasurer's Report:

Corey Eng asked if board members had any questions about the financials reports that were sent out for review. No board members had any questions.

Road Captains Report

Rob Schroeder mentioned that the new ride submittal form is up and running. Go to the ride-leader information page, near the top is where ride-leaders will find the new link that has been created.

Rob mentioned that Barbara Brady has offered to lead a club approved ride for Cycle Oregon's - Women's Joy Ride. The question was asked by various board members if "men" would be allowed to ride bicycles too. Ann Morrow said that she will check into the details and advised the board that if it's "women only" exclusively, that would not align with Portland Bicycling Club's inclusive club mileage credit, as it's an unfair advantage to many of our PBC members. The board as a whole agreed.

Board Member Reports:

Ann Morrow mentioned Reach The Beach 2022 well attended, a bit drizzly, but overall a great time was had. There were mixed reviews about SAG support. Members mentioned to board members there was zero SAG support when requested. Kathy Hellem said that on the bus ride back to Amity, Oregon, a cyclist said that they received a SAG to the finish-line. Again, mixed reviews. Corey Eng mentioned there was no huge concern about covid-19 and not many people/cyclists were wearing masks. Food was somewhat self-serve for the most part, including the finish-line.

Dave McQuery mentioned the Jim O'horo' Columbia Gorge Explorer closed at 38 participants and since then, four have dropped. Currently, we have 34 participants.

Alan Mevis asked QR Editor LynnBlanchard about the status of the two safety articles that were sent for publication in the Quick Release - QR. Lynn advised Alan that one is going to be published in June and the other one submitted will be published in July. Mark Barnes has also submitted a safety article that will be published in June. Dave McQuery stated that he too, has submitted an article. Keep the articles coming, said Lynn. Thank you.

Old Business:

Pioneer Metric Century 2022

Lynn Blanchard advised the board that another email blast will be sent to the email-list we have. Lynn asked if we could include exactly what proceeds are going to. Corey Eng stated that profit events rides go to support bicycle safety and cycling/education related organizations. We have

a list of recipients and certainly welcome suggestions of more local non-profit organizations for consideration. Corey then reminded the board that distribution of all fundraising proceeds are voted every November. Lynn asked about publishing the SAG phone number on wrist-bands should a cyclist get into trouble on the route. It was determined to not do that. It's on registration and easily accessible to participants. Lynn asked about having the city of Canby, OR., get a street sweeper out prior to our event. Corey replied that the course is very well marked, not needed. Ann Morrow added that the route maps already include the phone number for SAG support.

Seattle to Portland - STP 2022

Corey Eng said that as of now, registration is around 5600 participants. In an effort to keep costs down, it doesn't make sense to pay for a third bus. June 30 is the cut-off date for Friday Buses. If possible, we'd be smart to not pay for a third bus only carrying 5-15 cyclists. Dave McQuery advocated strongly for having unlimited seating until July 1, ordering the buses needed for that number, then taking additional registrations to try to fill the last bus. This has worked well in the past, and believes that there is minimal danger of having so few additional reservations after July, that we could actually lose money.

Currently, we have a Skyview HS Team which includes approximately 11-12 basketball players, and 15-16 wrestlers each day. Corey is still awaiting response from Tori, of Skyview HS to firm up details and confirmed with Ann Morrow that Matt Grueller is still a contact to work. Ann said yes. Corey added that we still need STP volunteers for the information booth.

2022 PBC Annual Picnic - August 7

Ann Morrow said that on Sunday, August 7, PBC's annually held Club Picnic will be held at Columbia Park. Arden Sheldon, was able to secure a spot in PDX at Columbia Park. It's possible that it may be the exact location of Columbia Park where our past annual PBC picnics have been held. Khaliyah Williams-Rodriguez, has agreed to be the PBC Picnic Organizer again for 2022.

New Business

none.

President **Doug Myers** thanked all PBC board-members for their contributions and adjourned the meeting at **8:03 p.m.**