Siskiyou Velo Board Meeting

2/4/2015

1. **In attendance**: Matt Walker, Gary Shaff, Edgar Hee, Dominic Barth, Tom Ryan, Dennis Cramer, ML Moore, Viki Brown. Guest: John Grembergen
2. **Approval of minutes of January meeting**: One correction noted: The Board did not vote to submit comments on the downtown Ashland Bike Lane Plan. Minutes approved as corrected.
3. **SOU Survey of Siskiyou Velo membership**: Gary distributed a draft of the proposed survey last week by e-mail for Board members to make comments on. The questionnaire cannot exceed 20 questions . Dominic suggested adding a question about whether members belong to other bicycle groups and one about why some cyclists do not join Siskiyou Velo. Gary will get the final revisions to Eric tonight. The survey will go out next week by e-mail and will be due to be replied to by Feb. 20. Gary will send a reminder about a week before the deadline.
4. **Introduction of guest**: Gary introduced John Grembergen, a SV member, who is interested in obtaining more information about the coordinator role for the Mountain Lakes Challenge. Discussion held about the history of the ride and past coordinators. Discussion about the limited uses of funds raised by the event.
5. Social Events Proposal for 2015: Tom Ryan presented the following event calendar for Siskiyou Velo for 2015. Calendar approved.

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| DATE/TIME | EVENT | LOCATION | COST |
| 4/26/15 3:00pm-finished | Bike Wash and BBQ | Tom and Linda’s home, 3015 Beall Lane, Central Point | $15-$20 donation for meal and bike wash |
| 5/9/15 8am-3pm | Table Rock Bike and Hike | Start and finish at Twin Creeks Park in Central Point. Hike Lower Table Rock. | No cost. Vehicle support to bring hiking boots and small packs for hiking. |
| August Date TBD | Ice Cream Social and Ride | Colver Park, Phoenix | No cost. |
| Sept. 11-12, 2015 | Lake of the Woods Campout and Rides | Aspen Point Campground at Lake of the Woods | $15/night for a single or couple. Includes camping in group site, snacks for Friday Happy Hour and group bonfire. |
| 10/17/15 Time TBD | Soup Ride | 3015 Beall Lane, Central Point | No cost. |
| 11/7/15 Time TBD | Coats for Kids Ride | TBD | Bring a coat to donate |
| December Date TBD | Annual Meeting | TBD | TBD |

1. **Club Ride Safety**: Gary proposed a goal for 2015 to have no injuries sustained on Club rides. Information could be shared in the newsletter and on the website on safety topics and also highlighting how many days/months since an injury has occurred. Matt moved and Dennis seconded a motion to approve the plan. **Motion carried.**
2. **Law enforcement awareness of conflicts between people driving cars and people riding bicycles:** Gary has an interest in having Club members report conflicts that occur when they are riding their bikes to appropriate local law enforcement authorities. This would raise awareness of the nature of the conflicts and could also encourage education of all law enforcement officials about laws that govern bicycle riders on public roads. Gary will contact Sheriff Falls to arrange a meeting to discuss how this matter might be approached in the most productive manner.
3. **Ashland Bike Swap:** The Bike Swap is scheduled for Sunday, April 18, 2015 from 12-2:00 pm. Siskiyou Velo will have a table at the event to distribute membership materials, safety information and to sell “Look Out for Cyclists” window clings. Gary will order 100 of the clings to have available for the event. 25 cents will be charged for the clings.
4. **Membership Issues:** A quantity of postcards will be printed to send to members who have not renewed their membership within the last 60 days. The card reminds them that their membership has lapsed and they are encouraged to rejoin. Matt will take care of sending the postcards. Matt will send out information to the Board a week before the next Board meeting of members who have recently let their membership lapse.This will allow Board members to contact those lapsed members that they know to encourage them to rejoin.
5. **Club Business Applications:** Currently business applications can only completed on paper and mailed in to the Club because of the need for multiple persons needing to sign the waiver. Gary is requesting that we change the business membership to include only the owner as a covered member so the application can be completed online. Board approved the change.
6. **Newsletter:** ML reports that all is going well.
7. **Family Fun Rides:** Gary sent out an e-mail requesting volunteers to help with the 4 rides scheduled for this summer. He has 10 volunteers in place. Gary is working with Edam Gomez of RVTD on the rides.
8. **Advocacy:** Nothing to report.
9. **Treasurer’s Report:** Only expenditure this month was for the PO box. No budget concerns.
10. **Club Insurance:** Club insurance has been renewed by Viki through our longtime insurer, LAB. A concern about coverage for e-bikes arose earlier, but the policy will now cover e-bikes within specific power parameters. The insurance will also cover education classes provided by both LCI’s and non-LCI instructors. Another insurer was identified by Viki that has more competitive rates, so she will investigate this option during this year.
11. **Rides:** Dennis will remind all ride leaders to abide by traffic laws when they are leading Club rides. Ginny Jensen will coordinate Melo Velo ride leaders for this year.
12. **Next meeting:** March 4, 2015 at a location and time to be announced.