

Siskiyou Velo Board Minutes

Hosted by Jeff Roberts via Zoom

March 23, 2020

- 1 Meeting was called to order at 5:30. There were glitches with Zoom. Audio was handled via cell phone technology. In attendance were: Harlan, Jeff, Frank, Jen, Robin, Ann, Mike, Matt, Dennis, and Hubs. John was offline.
- 2 The beginning of the meeting was a check-in led by Hubs. Each member was able to speak about how the coronavirus was impacting their life.
- 3 Routine order of business. The February minutes were passed unanimously. Frank reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Dues of \$443 came in. \$13 spent for pizza last month. An "Special Account" had been set up for the members planning to do The Coast Ride. If the ride does not happen then \$150 will be returned to each who have paid their deposit. Frank recommended keeping the account open to be used for similar things in the future.
- 4 Special Agenda – Continuation of VELO SPONSERED GROUP RIDES
 - a. At this point Harlan led the opening of the discussion to continue Group Rides or not. This is based on the changes by Gov. Brown regarding the new guidelines for Sheltering In. Even though group bicycle rides were not prohibited, the board felt it was important for the club to act appropriately. Harlan sent our current recommendations to state authorities including the OHA. It is important to note that local and state and board feel it is important to exercise. Harlan notes that several California clubs had terminated group rides in Fresno and Santa Clara.
 - b. All members voiced concerns regarding the issue. Key thoughts or concerns: spread out pacelines, sneezing/coughing affecting riders behind, angry motorists, concern for injuries when hospitals are full, not in integrity with Gov. Brown's Sheltering In, good to exercise in small groups, good to connect with other humans, restrictions changing daily, concern for older family members at home, etc.
 - c. Vote was taking after motion and seconding. Club board was unanimous in temporarily ceasing club rides. Harlan agreed to take the lead on writing the document for the Website to be posted the next day. He asked that all board members weigh in on his draft the next day so that it could be posted.
- 5 Regular Agenda
 - a. Membership Meeting on February 3rd had 18 people in attendance to discuss the upcoming plans for the Ashland Community to embrace bicycling and All Ages. The crowd seemed very interested.
 - b. Greenway Partnership is currently on hold. All volunteer activities on the Greenway have ceased.
 - c. Siskiyou Challenge has been postponed until May 31st.
 - d. All projects for advocacy have ceased with cancellation of Earth Day, Pear Blossom, etc.
 - e. BPAC is cancelled for April.
 - f. Membership is holding around 230. Up and Down Ride is pending. (I received a notification that it has been cancelled).
- 6 Meeting was ended at approximately 6:40pm. The next scheduled meeting by Zoom is April 27th.