

Minutes of the  
September 7th, 2022  
Meeting of the Board of Directors of  
The New York Cycle Club, Inc.

Held via Zoom

ATTENDEES: Leora Rosenberg (President and Chair), Colin Taber (Secretary), Robert Gilbert (Treasurer), Gerald Ross (VP of Rides), Michael Diener (A-Rides Coordinator), Steve Vaccaro (B-Rides Coordinator), Marc Simkin (C-Rides Coordinator), Neile Weissman (Public Relations Director), Kym Blanchard (Membership Director), Charmaine Dixon, (Volunteer Coordinator), Allan Friedman (Escape New York Ride Director), Sheila O'Connor (Content Manager), Natan Elman (Webmaster), and Peter Storey (Past President).

ABSENT BOARD MEMBERS: Denise Alvarez-Heller (Special Events Coordinator)

1. CALL TO ORDER - Weds Sep 7th @ 6:16 pm
2. MINUTES - Last month's meeting minutes were approved with no objections.
3. POPCORN UPDATES - Each board member had the opportunity to share minor updates related to the ongoing execution of their duties.
  - Kym shared that the Young Majors NYCC program would hold its initial orientation on Sat Sep 25 at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. She noted that more bikes and more volunteers are needed.
  - Neile shared progress on organizing club events in Southampton and Haverstraw. He noted that Haverstraw is on track, but there were some logistics issues to be resolved related to Southampton.
  - Steve stated he was settling into the new role as B-Rides coordinator, and he suggested that the ride listing system be reviewed with the ride coordinators before specifications are finalized.
4. UPCOMING BOARD ELECTION - the Chair shared that the C-Rides Coordinator position would be open, and [Jim Zisfein](#) has expressed interest. Those running again have 2 weeks to submit an updated candidate statement for the website, else the statement from last year will be used.
5. OPEN VP OF PROGRAMS - the position is still open with no prospective candidate at the moment.
6. BYLAW CHANGES
  - Bob suggested to update the by-laws with a requirement that the treasurer provide the report of club finances monthly instead of quarterly.
  - After discussion, Peter moved that the bylaw changes should be updated with Bob's suggestion, and moved for a vote. The motion passed, and having been passed by the board, will be placed on the ballot for November's election.

7. ENY LINKAGE TO SIG - Colin suggested that the club build an expectation into the SIG that volunteering at ENY is expected, while not strictly required, and asked for discussion. Discussion centered on ways to convert SIG graduates into volunteers and into Club Riders.
8. ENY GUIDED RIDE SIGNUP - Michael shared a presentation that showed the technical hurdles experienced by ENY riders in converting the offer for club membership and then signing up for the Guided Ride experienced. He suggested a plan to deploy a technical solution. After discussion, a motion was made to approve these changes. The motion passed.
9. RIDE ANGEL PROGRAM - the Ride Angel program links new/prospective ride leaders with an experienced leader to encourage development of new ride leaders. Michael reported that the Ride Angel infrastructure is completed and we have recruited the first class of 5 A-Level Ride Angels. Next steps are to solicit new leaders from the 2022 A-SIG graduates.