Minutes of the October 2, 2019 Meeting
of the
Board of Directors
of the New York Cycle Club

Present were: Peter Storey (club president), Neile Weissman (public relations director), Yvette Kosic (VP of programs), Bob Gilbert (Treasurer), Malka Baker (Secretary), Jerry Ross (VP of rides), Leora Rosenberg (Volunteer coordinator), Marc Simkin (Content Editor), Julie Blackburn (C rides coordinator), Michael Roth (B rides coordinator), Mike Weitzman (ENY director)

Peter, as president, called the meeting to order at 6:27 pm.

1. Termination of a membership

After presentation of his defense and subsequent deliberation, the membership of a member was terminated by vote of 2/3 of the entire Board.

2. Approval of September minutes

On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the September meeting were approved.

3. Finances update

The treasurer summarized the Club’s current financials. He noted there were no surprises.

4. Upcoming Club Events:

3rd weekend- 10/19-10/20 in Greenport, NY. LIRR approved train usage. Increased interest in weekend- 20 rooms have been reserved, dinner Saturday night at Front Street Eats scheduled.

Fall foliage- Rides have been listed, leaders solicited. Rides have been rerouted due to a potentially dangerous road on the listing.

Holiday party- Still no decision. $10,000 budget – consider Event brite sign up.

5. Past Club Events
Escape NY- was a resounding success. The Mike W thanked the Board for their input. He also thanked the generous sponsors and caterers. While final financials have yet to be determined, there were 1432 sales including merchandise, with $5500 at the door. Gross- $119,000 with net about $31,000. Allocation to the charities will be determined. Recognition dinner will be held for captains later in the month. There was great interest in cyclists using their own phones with club volunteer taking photos. The club is profusely thankful to Mike Weitzman for his efforts. The club endorsed Alan Friedman as new ENY director.

For next year, we should do even more escorted rides – a great success--- and add emergency contact data to the Event Brite sign up. Early sign up will end at the end of the month, $3300 sold thus far. About 10% of 2019 jerseys have not yet been picked up- these can be sold next year. The director will consider bib numbers for next year to help facilitate photography.

Haverstraw Arts Festival - A group rode to this event last month. This could be a potential Escape New York destination or the subject of another event ride.

6. 501(c)(3) status

Certificate of incorporation will be voted on during the board member officer elections- this will be addressed to all club members with reason for change including the charitable contributions made by the club, the education the club provides etc. 10% of club members need to vote, with the majority in favor of the change, to allow this to proceed. After this, form 1023 will be completed.

7. Website update

The updating of the existing Drupal site was discussed. Bob and Marc will work out how to test this. For now, the earlier WordPress project will remain on hold.

8. Diversity Discussions

The Board’s ongoing diversity discussions continued, although few had much new information to report. Julie mentioned that she was aware that at least some women are put off by the perception that NYCC is the “fast club”. Jerry noted that our previous experience riding with the Major Taylor Club was positive and suggested that we reestablish that tie.

9. Bylaw amendment

The Board approved the following bylaw amendment text:
Article VII. **MISCELLANEOUS, Section 4.** Intellectual Property. All photos, images, logos, trademarks, trade dress, patents and other intellectual property of any kind and description created, adapted, or made available, for the use of the Club in any manner, whether to advertise or promote the Club or its events or otherwise (“Contributed Intellectual Property”), shall be the non-exclusive property of the Club unless otherwise agreed in a writing executed by the creator(s) of such Contributed Intellectual Property and the Club President and at least one other officer of the Club. Such a writing may be specific to individual items of such Contributed Intellectual Property or may govern all such Contributed Intellectual Property; provided however that nothing herein shall be construed to grant to the creator of such Contributed Intellectual Property any right, title or interest in any other Club intellectual property, including that which is not the creator’s Contributed Intellectual Property or Contributed Intellectual Property created by another and to which the Club has rights.

The meeting then adjourned at 8:47 PM