

Minutes of the February 4, 2020 Meeting
of the
Board of Directors
of the New York Cycle Club

Present were: Peter Storey (Club President), Neile Weissman (Public Relations Director), Malka Baker (Secretary), Jerry Ross (VP of Rides), Colin Taber (B Rides Coordinator), Julie Blackburn (C Rides Coordinator), Michael Bernstein (A Rides Coordinator), Allan Friedman (ENY Director), Robert Gilbert (Treasurer), Leora Rosenberg (Volunteer Coordinator), Marc Simkin (Content Editor) and Ellen Jaffe (Membership Coordinator).

Peter, as president, called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

1. Approval of January minutes

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

2. Board Member Reports/legal matters

a. Wool Jerseys: Ellen reports that 71 jerseys have been sold, 16 short sleeve. They will continue to be available online

b. Financial Report: Bob submitted the monthly Financial Report and a proposed Budget for 2020. He noted that the Budget does not include the premium for D&O Insurance (which seems very high) or the cost of updating the website to Drupal 7. It also does not include "revenue" of just under \$4,000 in credit card points. Bob will investigate whether other sources of D&O Insurance would be cheaper.

c. Upcoming Club Meetings: March and April presentations might be swapped.

March - tentative: Ed Fishkin
April - NYC Velo
May- B Sig graduation
May 19 - C Sig graduation
June - talent show
July - Tentative: Marc to get back
August - Ice cream social
Sept - open
Oct - open
Nov - open
Dec - holiday party

d. Volunteer Coordinator's Report: The Volunteer Party will be held at the B Bar, a lovely venue with covered outdoor and indoor space on February 25th. Total cost will be under \$7,000 (vs \$8,000 previously budgeted).

e. Club Jersey: The club jersey will remain the same this year. Leora is confident that our production/ fulfillment issues have been or will be worked out. In fall 2020, we will review whether a new jersey design is appropriate.

3. Old Business

a. RWGPS Club Account: Indications are that the offer of an RWGPS Club Account available to all members does not really give us much that we don't already have and that the \$250 cost is not money well spent. *[NB: This decision was subsequently reversed]*

b. Roboviva: The Roboviva cue sheet software appears to be working again. For safety's sake, Marc was asked to copy this public-domain software onto our servers.

c. Bob Gilbert is scouting sites for both the newcomers and all class ride.

d. NYCC Zwift rides did not attract signups and will not continue at this point.

4. New business

a. Website update: description of website requirements will be created by the webmaster for request for quotes. The site has been crashing more frequently.

b. SIG rides will be listed for SIG participants on a separately listed page. This will streamline the sign up process and badge distribution.

c. Relatedly, responsibility for communicating with the various SIG/STS leaders prior to the start of the season and for assembling lists of SIG grads at the end, and for generally managing the interface between the SIG/STS leaders and the Board, was assigned to the VP Rides.

d. The Board voted to contribute \$1000 to PIPC as a one time gift to aid reconstruction of the Palisades Park Police HQ, \$500 to Kids' Ride Club in exchange for Ed Fishkin providing a First Aid Class at a Club Meeting, and the Board set aside \$2500 for other contributions to be identified in the future.

d. The proposal adopted at the end of last year to require all Board members to sign non-disclosure agreements was rescinded as being unnecessarily complex and ultimately not useful.

e. The membership coordinator has been promoting the club on multiple social networks in an effort to increase diversity.

f. The July 4th weekend at New Paltz has had limited sign ups due to lack of air conditioning. Air conditioning might be available at SUNY for a weekend in August, the coordinator of the weekend will consider moving the weekend to attract a larger crowd. Relatedly, the Greenport weekend coordinator will reach out to the hotel to book now in hopes of good pricing.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm