

Minutes of the March 3, 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), Steve Vaccaro (VP of programs), Marc Simkin (Content Editor), Natan Elman (Webmaster) and Ellen Jaffe (membership coordinator)

Peter, as president, called the meeting to order at 640 pm.

He welcomed Steve Vaccaro as new VP of programs.

1. Approval of February minutes

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

2. Board Member Reports

a. E Bikes legislation: E Bikes legislation is governed by municipalities. The club is in favor of uniform rules for E Bikes without inconsistent rules which can be confusing.

b. New Paltz dates: the New Paltz coordinator sent a survey to help determine date for this weekend, traditionally held on July 4th or thereabouts. 79 people responded to survey, with 59% in favor of August date, which would allow for air conditioned rooms. As such, SUNY New Paltz has been booked for August 7-9. SUNY has contingency plan should COVID19 still be concern and will not charge the club.

c. PIPC contribution: PIPC is eager to work with NYCC, and will consider using the NYCC donation to build a cyclist station south of the police building.

3. Old Business

a. The club adapted the standard form waiver in which members agree to be bound to the code of conduct and the new bylaw on intellectual property .

b. The newcomers and all class ride locations are being considered- consideration was raised for Throgg's neck area, Stepping stone park in Nassau County, Great Neck. Nercomer's ride will likely remain the same, with stop in Pascack.

c. Business cards will be printed for board members

4. New business

a. Website update: The board voted and approved to spend \$15,000 for Markus to update the website to Drupal 7.

b. The board voted and approved to donate \$500 to the CPMU

c. The board voted and approved to contribute \$500 to Bike Tarrytown

d. NYCC position on the George Washington Bridge- the board applauds the PA on the efforts to widen the GWB bike path

e. B level D Sig- the board considered introducing a B level D Sig series. It was felt that it was hard to design shorter, more suitable rides for the B level riders, and that A Sig skills were required for dirt riding. Some B rides are listed with dirt component, but at this stage, A level rides cannot be scaled to B level. Perhaps some D leaders can create shorter occasional B level rides.

f. COVID19- per recommendations from physician who is an NYCC club member, riding bikes should be OK during outbreak, with limited stops, preordering food, taking off gloves prior to going to restroom/food stops

The meeting was adjourned at 815pm