

THE BATON ROUGE BIKE CLUB
Executive Board Minutes
MINUTES of Baton Rouge Bike Club; April 16, 2023

Call to order:

An executive board meeting of the Baton Rouge Bike Club was held at Cody Armand's home. The meeting convened at 5:33 PM, president, Cody Armand, and secretary, Faith McCorkle, presiding. Faith declared a quorum.

Board Members in attendance:

Cody Armand
Faith McCorkle
Bruce Wickert
Chris Floyd
Janos Ingerle
Lynn Johnson

Board Members not in attendance:

Craig Brouillette
Herb Sumrall
Tony Boudreau

Previous minutes:

Cody motioned and Lynn seconded to accept the minutes.

Ride leader report:

Bruce is working on a Lafayette Riders event that is coming up in July. Cody recommended ride leaders have membership fees waived as long as they lead a minimum for five rides per year. We would like to have multiple rides going on at the same time. Lynn will talk with Cathy about LCI training.

Mail update:

Alaric lost his key, but Lynn still has one. There was junk mail in the mailbox.

Treasurer report:

Lynn was able to file our taxes electronically. She was able to create an IRS account that isn't attached to herself as ID Me. We have taken in \$341.41 in membership dues. Insurance has gone up. We spent \$1,504 so far this year including insurance, \$40 Quicken Online, \$9 per month for email, \$100 to keep the webpage posting, and \$52 to Eventbrite.

Membership report:

We have 71 registered for 2023. Janos offered to become the membership chair. Lynn made a motion to accept Janos as the membership chair. We would like to have jerseys and posters at the local bike shops to encourage membership. Janos plans to use Strava and in-person networking to encourage membership.

Baton Rouge Bike Fest

Janos would like to recruit at the Baton Rouge Bike Fest. Faith will lead a ride. Cody will try to be there. We will give away pamphlets (if we still have them), stickers, and try to sell the hats and t-shirts for the price of membership. We will set up different bikes for people to look at. Bruce mentioned giving Road Hog giveaways to kids. We'll bring the trailer and load up Bruce's recumbent trike. Lynn will give Janos the club PayPal QR code.

Jerseys

We will gauge interest to decide if we will sell men's jerseys. Cody had a sample Ascend jersey which we studied the quality.

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Meet the Board Members Ride

We plan to have a meet the board member ride on May 20 out of Istrouma Brewing at 9:00 a.m. and wear our club jerseys. We will encourage others to arrive by 8:30 for a pre-ride meeting. Craig can call and make sure the gate is open. We would like to have our table set up to sell items and membership sign-up. The club meeting will start at 11:30.

Bylaws and 501c3

Lynn will email the bylaws out again.

The Buddy Ride

We still have \$250 for the cleaning fee and \$425 for the event insurance. Craig has a \$200 gift card from Shopper's Choice. Eventbrite should have registrants covering their fees. Thad is doing the t-shirts, which should also be added to Eventbrite. The cost of the shirt will go to Thad and the rest will go to Pennington YMCA. Lynn will be there to check in. We may need to provide rolling SAG; we need check with Craig to see if he has someone for that.

Fall Ride

Faith contacted the Lions Club, who gave contact information for Bart Blacklidge, who said to contact the Silliman Institute. Faith left multiple voicemails for T.J. without response. T.J. is no longer with the Silliman Institute and Faith left a voicemail with Roy. Lynn offered to contact a friend who has 65 acres off from Highway 63 and will ask about using that location. Cody recommended the ride benefit wounded warriors and we have jerseys for the ride. We can invite Front Yard Bikes to come out and perform maintenance, and we can give them a portion of our donations. Dustin may be able to provide SAG and cheap t-shirts. Cody will attempt to collect items from radio stations for the ride bags.

Gravel Rides

Bruce recommended we add gravel rides to the club. Lynn will check into the insurance. We will need gravel ride leaders if we go that route, which will also need to take Bruce's class.

Mike Porter's request for removal from the BRBC board

Mike mentioned by text prior to the meeting that he would like to be removed from the board, and it was accepted.

Date of next scheduled meeting: March 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at Cody's house

Adjourn: A motion was made by Lynn to adjourn. Motion carried at 7:03 p.m., then we continued another 25 minutes

Respectfully Submitted by: Faith McCorkle May 17, 2023