

**THE BATON ROUGE BIKE CLUB**  
**Executive Board Minutes**  
**MINUTES of Baton Rouge Bike Club; July 2, 2023**

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**Call to order:**

An executive board meeting of the Baton Rouge Bike Club was held at Cody Armand's home. The meeting convened at 5:22 PM, president, Cody Armand and secretary, Faith McCorkle, presiding. Cody declared a quorum.

**Board Members in attendance:**

Cody Armand  
Faith McCorkle  
Bruce Wickert  
Craig Brouillette  
Janos Ingerle  
Lynn Johnson

**Board Members not in attendance:**

Chris Floyd  
Herb Sumrall  
Tony Boudreau

**Previous minutes:**

Craig motioned and Lynn seconded to accept the minutes.

**Ride leader report:**

Aside from the route changes causing confusion, the ride with a board member ride was successful. Most of the breakfast food was eaten. Cody recommended we do a board member ride every other month. Cody wants to start a ride from Southern Bicycle Company on the weekends. We discussed a members-only breakfast ride from Louie's Café. Lynn will look into an educational ride. Craig will look into a faster ride. Cody wants to start a social beer ride at the end of each month at Tower 65. The manager was a LSU cyclist. We need to focus more on C-paced riders. Lynn wants to check into becoming an LCI so she can be a second Bruce. We want to have a ride leaders luncheon to update the ride leaders on what we would like for the club. Bruce will plan the leaders meal on August 26, requesting by e-mail. Cody requested and we voted that ride leaders who host five rides per year receive free club membership. Cody said he will keep a list to keep the leaders accountable. The Buddy Ride had 102 riders. Non-club members were unable to see the route since the route wasn't public. Faith offered Mitzi a free year of membership per Cody's instruction. Craig sent people screenshots.

**Mail update:**

The post office said the key has a 3-6 month wait and hasn't cashed the check for the box renewal for the year.

**Treasurer update:**

We have \$5,519.60 in income and \$3,475.89 in expenses. We are \$2,043.71 in the positive. For The Buddy Ride, we had 26 walk-up registrations and one cash donation of \$30. Our total income for the ride was \$3,495. We had a donation to cover expenses of \$1,675. We have \$29.93 left of that donation. We had a Shoppers Value donation of \$200 and spent \$111.18, so we have \$88.82 left on the gift card. We are unsure if the card will expire. There was confusion with the t-shirts. We sold 33 online and 8 walk-ups. We stated we would pay the cost of the shirts and would donate the rest. We will donate for the \$655 we collected. Our donation to the YMCA is \$2,840. We will get a dry erase check for publicity. Craig wants the board to be there for the photo opportunity when we give the YMCA the check.

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**Membership report:**

We currently have 103 members. Lynn suggested her daughter update the website. Cody suggested instructional videos for the website explaining the types of rides.

**501c3 & Bylaws**

Once Lynn gets the budgets done, she plans to pull the trigger on the 501c3. We agreed upon \$250 for the seed money for the account.

**Promotional items**

Southern Bicycle Company will charge \$750 for 100 bottles that have our and their name. We would be able to distribute as we see fit. Janos will find out from Chuck if there are any additional fees or taxes. Lynn made a motion to spend no more than \$850 on bottles. Cody seconded. Cody will talk with Bob at Capital Cyclery to see if there will be a conflict. Lynn suggested we provide stem caps. Craig found stem caps for \$18 each.

**Blessing of the Bikes**

Craig will need help to heard everyone and make sure there are no gaps. Craig will push the ride and advertise Lynn's earlier start next week. We plan to ride 16-17 mph.

**9/11 Ride**

Everything is secured for the ride.

**Fall Ride**

Faith submitted the application for BRCC. BRCC responded received and a conference call is next. The ride is not confirmed. Cody will cook gumbo. Lynn still has some food in her freezer. Lynn suggested we offer a members only discount of \$30. Lynn will create a pre-registration event for members for \$30, good until September 1. Starting September 2 until October 19, registration will be \$45. Food only will be \$15. Registration on-site will be \$50. September 2 ride plus membership will be \$45+\$25. We'll have t-shirts with Madonna del Ghisallo since the ride is to benefit Catholic Charities.

**Gravel Rides**

BRAMBA's president, Bob Walker, plans to come to our September meeting.

**MS 150 Club Team**

The trailer used to be set up for a MS 150 team. If the club has a team, it would bring awareness to the club and Multiple Sclerosis.

**Trailer clean-up**

We plan to meet at Bruce's on Sunday to clean out the trailer, to get inventory, and Cody will take the trailer to replace the floor.

**Board members**

We voted to add Denise Amoroso as an at-large board member. She isn't required to be at the meetings, and we will keep her in the loop for our events. Cody suggested each board member revisit the bylaws so we will know what all of our duties are.

**Date of next scheduled meeting:** August 6, 2023 at Cody's home

**Adjourn:** A motion was made by Cody to adjourn and Faith seconded. Motion carried at 7:20 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted by:** Faith McCorkle July 28, 2023