

FIVE BOROUGH BIKE CLUB, INC.
Joint Minutes of the Board and Council
April 17, 2017

Present

Bill Mastro-- President
Ken Williams -- Vice President
Patricia Chew – Co- Treasurer
Andrea Mercado — Secretary
Howard Hall – Day Trips Co-Coordinator
Fritz Van Orden – Day Trips Co-Coordinator
Ed Sobin – Leadership Training
Wendy Frank—Communications Co-Coordinator
Alan Friedman – Communications Co-Coordinator
Doug Von Hoppe – Weekend Trips Coordinator
Sarit Levy-- Member at Large

There being a quorum Meeting was called to order at or about 6:15PM. Upon motion duly made, seconded the February 27, 2017 and March 13, 2017 Board Minutes were unanimously approved as amended.

The Board welcomed Sarit Levy as a Member at Large to the Board. Names of other potential candidates were discussed for Member at Large roles.

It was agreed that, thanks to Mel, the Membership Meeting at REI had gone well.

It was reported that Club account for Ride with GPS had been paid and the Board would have a report subsequently about efforts of Joan Erskine and Mike Moses to test it. The Board discussed a potential program at REI to instruct, firstly, Leaders and, later, Club Members on its use.

Ed gave an update on incremental progress to secure a paid administrator to maintain and upgrade the Club website.

Treasurer reported that the transition was proceeding well.

Discussion was had on handling riders who participate in Day Trips without joining the Club

Alan presented the results of the Holiday Party Survey. Of the 70 Club respondents, the first choice location was in Lower Manhattan following by Downtown Brooklyn. Preferred prices were firstly in the \$40-50 range, and secondarily in the \$50-60 range. Respondents preferred Saturday, with Friday in second place. First choice for date was in the first week of December followed by the second week.

Discussion was had on impediments to increasing the number of Quick Spin rides. It was agreed that prospective Day Trippers be encouraged to contact ride Leaders prior to the ride to obtain information on the starting location. The objective is that prospective Day Trippers and Quick Spin Leaders can ensure that the Quick Spin ride meets with the expectations and ability of interested Day Trippers.

Discussion was had on means to encourage more signups for the Montreal Weekend Trip.

Discussion was had on the process of removing prior to the departure, a registered tripper from a Weekend Trip. It was agreed that no Weekend Trip Leader could unilaterally remove a registered tripper. The Weekend Trip leader must email the Weekend Trip Coordinator or, if that position is unfilled, the Day Trips Coordinator, to discuss the basis of any decision to remove the registered tripper. Once the registered tripper has agreed to withdraw from the trip, the Club will endeavor to refund their Weekend Trip registration fee as soon as is reasonably possible. The former registered tripper will be given the option of registering for any other suitable Weekend trip (space permitting) at the Early Bird rate.

Discussion was had on whether to give each Weekend Trip Leaders a leader credit for each day of the Weekend Trip as opposed to the current policy where the Weekend Trip Leader received one credit per entire Weekend Trip.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously approved, with one abstention, that each Weekend Trip Leader will receive a leader credit for each day of the Weekend Trip that they lead.

Discussion was had on Club participation at the Bike Expo. Alan agreed to have primary responsibility for staffing a Club information desk as supplemented by other volunteers.

It was agreed that the matters relating to merchandise, membership proposals and possible events, commercial sponsorship for Club activities be tabled.

There being no further business, the Meeting was, upon motion duly made and seconded, unanimously, adjourned at or about 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea M Mercado.

Agenda:

1. Secretary's Report, Quorum and Approval of Minutes
2. Members at Large Process and a welcome to Sarit Levy____
3. Report regarding Leaders and New Members Forums
4. Ride with GPS status
5. Website update.
6. Weekend Trips update and issues with performance, process to remove registered participants, budgeting issues, Leader credit
7. Handling riders who participate in Day Trips without joining the Club
8. Holiday Party—results of survey and next steps
9. Merchandise,
10. membership proposals and possible events (Cyclones game, picnic, etc.)
11. commercial sponsorship for Club activities be tabled.
12. Other Business