

Minutes BCCC Board Meeting

Date: September 16, 2021

Location: On line via ZOOM

In attendance: Gary Parsons, President
Mario Obejas, Vice-President
Susan Callaway, Secretary
Leila Grantz, Treasurer
Steve Reichlin, Youth Education Coordinator
Members: Peter Richardson, Del Losson, Art Grantz

After roll call and establishment of a quorum, the meeting was called to order by President Gary Parsons at 7:00 pm.

The minutes of the May 20, 2021 Board Meeting were sent out by email. No changes or corrections were made at the meeting; they were approved.

Attendee comments

Peter commented on the proposed requirement that members must be vaccinated against Covid to participate in club rides. He mentioned several factors that could impact members' protection level from Covid such as diminished immunity over time, if members get booster shots when available, and possible immunity acquired by those who've recovered from Covid. If someone who is vaccinated gets Covid anyway, when could they return to club rides? He also suggested the unvaccinated members might be even more careful than those who are vaccinated. He reminded the Board that members seem to be willing to take the risk of encountering unvaccinated people during mid or end of ride stops to eat and drink. He thought it would be better to follow government guidelines instead of implementing our own.

Treasurer's Report

Leila reviewed the financial reports she sent to the Board. We currently have \$70,411.23 in our bank account. We have a deposit of \$508.45 which represents our half of the tips from the bike corral on Labor Day weekend. Our operating expenses are a little higher than budgeted due to lawyer consultation fees regarding the Youth Education Program. She will document which ride leaders were reimbursed for cameras along with their statement of intent to use it on club rides. The Board confirmed that LCIs were to be reimbursed for their renewal fees as long as they were providing service to the club either as a Board member, ride leader or instructor.

Membership

There are currently 319 members. To date 42 guest members have joined the club, 52 guest members did not join and 9 guest members are within their 30 days.

Insurance Claims/Member Biking Accidents

Mario reported that there have been no accidents on club rides. However, a member is in litigation with LA County for an accident that happened in July 2020.

Youth Education Program

Steve reported that we have been contacted by both Redondo Beach School District and Hermosa Beach School District about scheduling our bike and pedestrian programs this school year, probably after the first of the year. They are both reviewing the proposed agreement. The RBPd has notified us that they have funding to reimburse us for 4 bike and 3 pedestrian events this school year. HB Police Department has been asked by HBCSD to become a partner in their bike safety events. Velofix has indicated they are ready to provide the bike safety checks for our events. The Hawthorne PD contacted us for information about our program.

Action Items

None

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

1. Report on Fiesta Hermosa Bike Corral (Gary)
 - 1350 bikes were parked and the club provided 19 volunteers.
It was suggested that the sign-up information be more transparent, so that members could see how many volunteers had signed up for each time slots.
2. Update Covid policy:
 - a. Consider allowing only fully Covid-19 vaccinated members to participate in club rides and social events, as requested by a large consensus of Ride Leaders - similar to our required helmet policy. (Time period for requirement to be in effect is October 1, 2021, to January 31, 2022.)

The above policy has been proposed as a result of feedback from ride leaders and members who don't feel safe riding with unvaccinated members, and most recently, from members who were forced to change plans when they found out that an unvaccinated member on their ride had tested positive for Covid. There was discussion about whether proof of vaccination would be required, and if not, would unvaccinated people still show up, but ride leaders don't want to be responsible for checking on vaccination status. Taking a group photo of each ride group was suggested as a means to track who was on each ride as was having ride leaders have members/guests on their ride sign in at the beginning of each ride.

- b. Consider offering a membership refund or term extension to those that want to leave BCCC because of this policy.

The Board agreed with this suggestion and will include this information when announcing the updated Covid policy.

- c. Discuss Covid contact tracing and notification process.

After discussion, it was decided that any person who was on a club ride should contact the Board ASAP if they start to feel ill shortly after a ride, get tested promptly for Covid, and then notify the Board of the test results. In addition, to ensure that everyone who might have had contact with that person is notified, the Board will then send out an announcement to the entire club with the date and ride level when the incident occurred, but will not name the person. (Since the Covid notification is coming to the "Board" email address, any Board member can respond after first notifying other Board members they are doing so. A list of questions to ask the Covid positive person will be prepared, so pertinent information can be obtained for our records and for any subsequent messages to club members.)

- Gary made a motion: Only members who are Covid-19 vaccinated will be allowed to participate in club rides and social events. Mario seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Identify a nonprofit lawyer to advise on several matters related to nonprofit expenses and governance and determine the cost
Gary has identified a lawyer (Seton Law Group), based on a recommendation from South Bay Wheelman. He will contact the lawyer about his availability, and if the Board approves of his fee schedule, Board members will then prepare questions to submit to him, such as how much money should the club have in its account, what can it be spent on, etc.

- Mario made a motion: Contact the lawyer about his fee for an hour long consultation. Gary seconded it.
The motion passed unanimously.

4. Form 990 disclosure discussion

Mario stated that this is a form an organization uses to either change or confirm its mission statement as a 501c3. It looks like a very involved process so this would also be something to discuss with the lawyer.

5. RBPB direct hire inquiry status report

Mario has contacted the RBPB about this issue and was told it has been passed on to the appropriate person. No additional information is available at this time.

6. Research the cost of increasing Director's liability insurance to \$10M minimum (i.e. \$2M each)

Mario is interested in what additional insurance options are available for the Board.

Gary mentioned The League of American Bicyclists has a shared liability policy, and he will contact our insurance agent regarding the cost and limitations.

7. Potential for 1099 exemption, noted by RBPB and Jim Hannon – any change in status?
Mario stated that Jim Hannon has applied for a waiver to AB5 requirements for SBBC only, but there is no other information about its status.

Announcements/News

Jim has contacted Gary and Mario to discuss what items (booklets, bike corral equipment, etc.) belong to SBBC and what belongs to BCCC. He will be asked to provide documentation of what SBBC has purchased so items can be allocated correctly.

Board Round Table

Club members need to be notified of open position (Member at large). Gary is working on the announcement. A bike insurance company (Sundays Insurance) has contacted us about becoming a sponsor. Gary will reply to him. Gary provided information on a new bike route from Anaheim to Oceanside which would use the Metrolink train to carry anywhere from 9 to 12 bikes back to the Anaheim Train Station as compared to the 6 bikes the AMTRAK train can carry.

Future agenda item: What to do with the trailer

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, October 21st at 7 pm via ZOOM

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.


Susan Callaway, Secretary