

Prairie Cycle Club General Board Meeting Agenda

Dan Metz' House

Nov 9 2022 6:30 pm

Take attendance:

Sue Ellen	Sue Jones	Dan Metz
Joan Wingo	Richard B	Michael F.

Not in attendance:

Open, At Large
Open, Activities Director

Minutes [Joan]

--- Sue notes that we got lots done w/ jerseys last time but not planning for January.

Budget report [Sue Ellen]

- 15 people bought jerseys,
- 2 new renewals for membership for 2023

Membership Report (Richard)

Activities Report [Open]

- a. JANUARY election / social event – Usually on a Sunday Sue Ellen will ask January 15, or January 22? anticipate about 50 people – space, RSVP due?
 - a. How much do we sponsor? People pay the whole cost this time. We don't have the money to sponsor it. Cost is about \$30 per person.
 - b. Biaggi's – consistently popular, vote online if they don't want to come.
 - i. Usually about 53 or so.
 - c. Jupiters –
 - d. Dan Metz House

Need to recruit people to the board.

- b. Make meetings more social at venue?

Notion: we had people with ideas and offering to do things – how can we keep that going? Can we maybe have a way also to thank folks doing these things? (Maybe leave that to, oh, the FB group or emails ...)

Happy Hours – we bought the appetizers in the past, cannot do that now, but still have happy hours – start in November.

2nd Friday of the Month – Nov 11 (Veterans Day), Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10

Ideas –

Nov 11 - 25 O'Clock – There are groups that have their happy hours there, Sue Ellen will call to confirm. If it does not work will find another

Triptic

Riggs
Barrel House,
Rose Bowl,
Bring your own food

c. JERSEYS: looks like it's going to happen 😊 How many more should we order and let Karen know?

15 jerseys ordered by Nov 2.

Sue Jones: Order more jerseys?

Sue Ellen: Difficult to order ahead due to sizes?

Dan: What is the discounted rate if you get so many jerseys? Sue Jones said probably not enough ordered.

Karen will place the order for the jerseys that are paid for.

Publicity Report [Mike]

Old BusinessNew Business

Action items by Next Meeting

How to recruit new board members 😊

Adjourned: 7:30 pm

Prairie Cycle Club General Board Meeting Agenda

Dan Metz' House

Sept 7 2022 6:30 pm

Take attendance: (quorum is # 4)

Lance McGrew Michael Fuerst Sue Ellen
Sue Jones Joan Wingo Dan Metz

Not in attendance:

Open, At Large
Open, Activities Director

Sue will check with Anita Channing? About doing the finances.
How much do we pay per person?
149 members. We paid for 150 people.
\$6000 to pay for our members.

Cost of post office box. We would need to change the post office box and get a different box number.
No bills go to the box. Only some payments. Get a smaller post office box.to cut the costs.

\$155 for pizza party.

Budget report [Sue Ellen]

- The folks putting on the River TO Rails ride have asked for \$100 contribution. Rich Furr is on that board.
 - I have suggested to him to ask about working together to put on a Good Big Ride next year, and – as we sent *them* monies from our ride, they could agree to send us N dollars ?
 - I can help with next year's ride. Mike and I are going on a ride out of town on Sunday and will not be riding this week's River to Rails on the 10th.

Membership report [Richard]

People are still joining 149 as of 9.7..2022.
If you join now free membership for next year. Not posting, but Richard is doing this.
\$2121.00 for ??
\$2121 for membership.
3% of the income.
We have 150 members, it has been higher in the past, pre-COVID.
We are encouraged by the number of new members.
We have more active members now.
1/3rd of our members are new.

Returning members

New members

Michael Fuerst will

Activities Report [Open]

a. Rides!! Friday, Full Moon Ride Saturday, River to Rail... The nExt week, Prairie Pedal... and lots of “bike to work day” and “light the night”

<http://cubikemonth.weebly.com/calendar.html> seems to be updated well 😊 Do we link to it on our site?

I will Bike to Work on 14th. I'm gone September 17-Oct 3.

Prairie Pedal and Amish ride at same time.

River to Rail next weekend September 10.

Add the calendar to our website. Michael added it to our website awhile back.

b. End of season ride: when and where

Pick a Sunday and – start/end at Riggs? That way we don't have to figure out food since we don't have leftover burgers?

When & where? Start/end Riggs, don't worry about cooking food, etc. People can buy their own food.

No discounts. Can reserve a room, but if you need the whole place, then there would be a charge. We don't need the whole place for the end of season ride.

Food trucks – cue up different times.

Can we bring some of our own food? i.e. Monicals to be delivered, or bring cookies, snacks.

Maybe only our cookies, snacks. Half way point have sandwiches, etc.??

11:30-12:30 at Riggs drone racing – what date?

What date – usually a Sunday afternoon. October fest will be crowded. Beer Camp??

October 2nd 12-3pm.

October 9 or October 16. October 9 would be good. If weather is bad, don't ride just show up.

Usually 1pm – what food trucks will be there?

Sue Ellen will email and ask about October 9 meet at 1pm. Reserve the tables. And get the word out about the ride. End of season ride.

Hilly Hundred Oct 21-23.

c. JERSEYS: Karen Gshwend is willing to manage the order if we have the design and who to send it to 😊 (Maybe this goes in publicity?)

Where to buy, same design? Make a new graphic design. Need sizes.

Sue will talk to Karen and give ??? the information and copy Frank. Share the past stuff and talk with Frank. Sue Ellen – google doc has the information on the jerseys, etc. Sue Jones will get it and Sue Ellen will authorize it. Sue Ellen will add Karen Gshwend to the google doc for the orders.

River to Rails – Rich Furr and others on River to Rails. They asked for \$100.00 to River to Rails. Can we afford it? Offer \$50 because we did not have a Tour this year. Sue Jones could go to the meetings. We are discussing giving \$100.00 to River to Rails.

\$100 was given to (other) ask Sue Ellen.

Membership - \$12 student, \$17 individuals, \$22 family.

Discuss cost – increase \$15, \$20, \$25.00 pay extra to pay by credit card/paypal. Currently can pay by Paypal.

How to phrase – for a discount, send us a check. Try it? If it works, great, if not, then don't do it. How does this work if we get a different mail box number?

Paypal – you don't need to have a paypal account, you can pay with a credit card. This is a benefit to us. Paypal is an intermediate.

We gave one free membership in the past.

Renewal date is? In April?

River to Rails is \$45.00. Expenses are needed.

Richard B. will send out an email that the rates will increase.

Michael F. will post on the website and update the website. Change it immediately to the new rate. The dues have been changed to \$15, \$20, \$25.

Publicity Report [Mike]

Lanz – all the different routes and where you can ride to. Get the details in an email from Lanz.

Lanz and can figure out how to get it out to everyone and one the website.

i.e. this ride starts from. People ask where do people ride around here. It would be good to have the ride link for the phone, etc. Do this route – I'll lead it, it will go for how long, etc. Ride with GPS – put this on our website and email it out.

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Action items by Next Meeting

Adjourned: 7:30pm

Prairie Cycle Club General Board Meeting Agenda

Dan Metz's House

May 4, 2022, 6:30 pm

Attendees: (quorum is #4)

Dan Mertz
Sue Jones
Joan Wingo
Michael Fuerst

Minutes [Joan] – , 2022 board meeting minutes for approval

April 2022 Board Meeting Minutes – Joan will email the PCC board and ask for approval. Joan did not have the Minutes available for the 5/4/2022 PCC Board Meeting.

Actions taken since last board meeting

Tour volunteer meeting will be rescheduled Sue Ellen is looking for a date that will work at the end of May.

Budget report [Sue Ellen]

Budget for April was not available for this meeting.

Membership report [Richard]

Activities Report [Open]

PCC Tour 2022

Sue Jones shared the Tour google docs with PCC Board at 4.5.2022 PCC meeting.

Volunteer meeting – need to reschedule, was May 3. Sue Ellen was working on dates.

Volunteer sign up online – Ask Andrea – Sign me up.com Sue Jones will look in to this. So by the end of the volunteer evening, we will know where we stand, how many spots are still open.

Also ask about if people are in organizations – host a table at a stop on the tour.

Need Sponsors – Andrea will be asked for the list

Bike shops – Sue Jones

Volunteers – if we don't have enough volunteers, then we will support other ride's efforts.

We plan to hold the Ride, unless we do not have the support from PCC members to run the ride. We are considering supporting other organizations We will support them with areas that we can assist, i.e. ride planning/marketing routes.

We have reserved the pavilion in Mahomet and put the word out about the PCC Ride. Gibson City commitment is there. White Heath – need to reserve??

Teri Stoerger said yes to buying the food

Ideas from April PCC Meeting – small dixie cups – m&ms, peanuts, jelly beans, bananas, other foods for the cups.

If not enough help from PCC members, might consider cancelling the PCC Tour.

Pizza party for volunteers will help us to get people signed up.

Sag – don't use Subaru, use personal cars and reimburse people for gas.

Cell phone/communications SAG to "headquarters"

Registration for ride to Richard B.

Price for sign up – Michael research the price of the other clubs.

Current website has old information with the notation that site will be updated soon with current tour information.

We would have the same stops, invite people to have a table at the stop, i.e. here's a girl scout cookie, learn about scouts.

i.e. Den person, what groups are PCC people already connected with.

Other Rides

Crop Cycle - local area ride Sept 17 & 18 – they need people to help with the computer stuff (Sue Jones)

May is Bike Month - Sue Jones will check with Charlie Smyth and Cynthia Hoyle about the rides and ride of silence.

Ride across America –

Publicity Report [Mike]

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Action items by Next Meeting

PCC Tour Volunteer Meeting – May. Sue Ellen will confirm a date/location.

Sign up Genius – Sue Jones will get the information from Andrea to sign up Tour volunteers

PCC Tour website – will be updated once all information for the Tour is confirmed.

PCC Board to vote via email to approve April PCC Board Minutes

Adjourned 7:22 pm

Next Meeting, Wednesday, June 1, 2022 6:30 pm – LOCATION?

2022 Meeting Schedule

Board Meetings - First Wednesday of the Month 6:30 pm . Next meeting 6/1/2022

Annual Membership Meeting – December

Prairie Cycle Club General Board Meeting Minutes

Dan Metz House

April 6 2022 6:30 pm

Called to order 6:49 pm

Attendees: (quorum is # 4)

Sue Jones, President

Sue Ellen Finkenbiner, Treasurer

Membership Director, Richard Brannon

Joan Wingo, Secretary

Michael Fuerst, Webmaster/online Newsletter

Dan Metz, At Large

Not in attendance:

Open, At Large

Open, Activities Director

Minutes [Joan]

2022 March board minutes – Approved 4.6.2022

Actions taken since last board meeting

Sue Jones – found and shared the google docs with PCC Board 4.5.2022

Budget report [Sue Ellen]

Insurance went up by \$100 from \$842.50 to \$942. 50??

Webhosting & domain registration – Sue Ellen needs to pay Michael. Michael to email receipt to Sue Ellen for reimbursement.

Raise membership dues – we could cancel the yearly ride.

Sue Jones – we could support other rides instead of running the PCC Tour yearly.

Dan – what alternative things we would want to do?

Happy Hours – but PCC pays. Pizza Party – we pay for the pizza.

We charge \$17 a year, could charge \$25 a year to keep the enthusiasm going. Raising dues because we are not doing the ride any more. Here are the other things we are doing.

We can't get the volunteers any more.

Rides we can help example – for future plans.

We have a minimum club – rides, some socials,

Suggestion by Sue Ellen – Ride to a place, i.e. El Toro at the fields.

Membership report [Richard]

124 members as of 4.6.2022 more members are joining.

Activities Report [Open]

A. Rides!! Will be posted on the PCC website by Michael F.

B. **THE TOUR.** August 20, 2022

Committee needed .

Tuesday May 3 - Meeting to discuss the Tour at Jupiter's at crossing or Papa Del's Sue Ellen will research. Find half price day.

Need Sponsors – ask Andrea – Sue Ellen will ask Andrea. Use the Donor Letter

Bike shops – Sue Jones

Meijer – get letter to Meijer – Champaign.

Teri Stoeger Shopping czar – Joan to contact

Auto gas receipts for reimbursements

Use personal Cars, not Subaru from

Registration – Sign up before hand – online – Michael – paypal.

All registration to Richard so he knows

Chris Dangles – Gibson City – need confirmation that the space can be used.

Breakfast at Gibson City. Sue Jones will contact him. First before setting the meeting.

Dan – solicit donations. Big deal for income.

Do we want to do as a charity event? People show up to donate to rail to trail.

Double the price for Day of.

75 % sign up ahead of time.

Price for sign up: Michael researched in the past. Michael will research the price of the other clubs.

Don't offer food.

Tiny cups – m&ms peanuts jelly beans, bananas, etc.

Hilly 100 farmed out to chicken place

Places to do the rest stops, i.e. girlscouts, businesses at other locations.

C. **Bike month!!! May** – Sue Jones will ask CCB if they're doing a market booth but whether or not, Sue J. will have the Saunter be super short 10 mile to get to Market at Lincoln Square, stop by to see the CCB Bike booth.... other folks can do longer options as they wish.

Bike to Work – in May

D. **"Crop Cycle" ride September 17 and 18, 2022** (Same date as Amish Ride) – Sue Jones forwarded letter, and Sue Jones replied to Jen Burton that I(Sue Jones) didn't know how we did it before; that if there were stuff we had to pay for, they would reimburse us? – Sue Ellen - the cost of the insurance for the Crop Cycle \$6.35 each nonmember per event. Sue Jones and Jen Burton - \$6.50 per nonmember. PCC member free. PCC will buy the insurance for the Crop Cycle. Crop Cycle will reimburse us for the insurance. Sue Jones offered that PCC members will help in other areas. Publicity – Michael on web, etc.

E. Bike Month Events Summary –

Cynthia Hoyle – Local rides. <https://champaigncountybikes.org/> has a few ongoing bike things described. See the website for bike rides and events.

Ride to Logic – 3.5.2022

Riders mentioned the moonlight rides. Gene Grass will run the moonlight rides, not PCC rides, but PCC can advertise the ride.

F. Publicity: (for tour, club in general, etc) – we want to get stuff to Steve H. today...

April Welcome Pizza Party – Welcome new members

April 5th Tuesday, 6:00 pm 2022 Jupiter's at the Crossing.

Richard signed up people. 97 going into party now 121, some come in the mail.

Pizza party gives people a deadline.

Sue Jones announced the ride leaders and they announced their rides.

Publicity Report [Mike]

Will update the website with ride information from Sue Jones

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Action items by Next Meeting

The Tour

Volunteer Meeting: Tuesday May 3 - Meeting to discuss the Tour at Jupiter's at crossing or Papa Del's Sue Ellen will research.

Sponsors – ask Andrea – Sue Ellen will ask Andrea. Use the Donor Letter

Next Meeting: Meet at Dan's 5/4/2022 6:30 pm

Adjourned: 8:13 pm

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Zoom ***March 6 2022 6:30 pm***

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Minutes [Joan]

2022 February board did not meet. No minutes to record.

Actions taken since last board meeting

Sue Jones emailed with Steve Henkle about River to Rails group advertising or combining with PCC Tour.

Budget report [Sue Ellen]

Current balance - \$4000. Need to figure insurance cost. Base the cost on 150 members. We had 138 members in 2021.

Domain Name Registration for PCC Website – pay for 5 years \$20 per year. – Michael Fuerst will renew the subscription.

Membership report [Richard]

22 members as of 3.6.2022.

Renewal reminder will be sent out.

John Prince said to post the rides on Facebook.

Activities Report [Open]

TOUR

PCC Ride currently scheduled for – August 20, 2022. We do not want to compete with other local rides/groups. Shoreline West is the week before.

Discussion

Do we hold our own Tour – PCC Tour on August 20, 2022?

Do we combine the PCC Tour and the River to Rails Tour and hold one, large, well publicized ride?

If we put together for one ride – what date do we want?

If we hold both rides, we PCC help them with the route planning and set up. They River to Rails to help us with sponsorship, fundraising.

Sue Ellen Concerns – if we are not in charge of it, (the Tour) we do not get the proceeds. Will the Steve's group (River to Rails) donate money to the Trail? Before we eliminate our ride – who gets the proceeds?

Sue Jones – gave half (the funds raised from the Tour) in the past to Rail to Trail.

Sue Jones will talk with Steve about the concerns for the ride.

Richard Brannon – share the funding toward Rail to Trail.

April Welcome Pizza Party – Welcome new members

Need place with good price, Jupiters (at the Crossing) is a good location.

Sue Ellen can do April 5th Tuesday, 6:00 pm 2022.

Sue Ellen will contact Jupiters to arrange for the Pizza Party and send out an email.

Richard needs date/time to include in the sign up letter. Richard will tell people about the Pizza for Members. Encourage people to sign up.

Ride Leaders

Sue Jones will contact the Ride Leaders.

Who is still leading and which rides will they lead.

Sue Jones will continue Saturday Saunter

Sue Jones will notify Michael Fuerst of the rides to post on the Website and on Facebook.

Sue Ellen will purchase gift cards (Starbucks \$20 each) for 2021 Ride Leaders. Sue Jones will give Sue Ellen the list of ride leaders.

Bike Month Events Summary

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Publicity Report [Mike]

Publicity for Tour, PCC Club in general, etc.

We need to get information to Steve Henkel today 3.6.2022

Old Business

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Action items by Next Meeting

Sue Jones will bring PCC concerns for joint Tour to Steve Henkel and discuss the options (see Tour above)

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 6, 6:30 pm – Sue Jones – ask Dan to host and what time works for him? or find another location

Adjourned 6:55 pm

2021 Meeting Schedule

Board Meetings - First Sunday of the Month 6:30 pm (may change due to events) -changing to Wednesdays

Jan 3? - Feb 6? - Mar 6 (Sunday) - Apr 6 - May 4 - Jun 6 - Jul 4 - Aug 1 - Sep 5 - Oct 3 - Nov 7 - Dec 5

Annual Membership Meeting – December