

Club Meeting Minutes
October 6, 2016
Respectfully submitted by Joan Cullen, Rec. Secretary

Attendance: 58 members and guests were present.

PWTC President Chip Kyle called the meeting to order at 7:24 pm at All Saints Episcopal Church.

First time attendees were welcomed.

The main program was preceded by a short slide show of Bud Rice's recent bike trip on Idaho's Trail of the Coeur d'Alene. Thanks were extended to Jan Oestereich and Brian Hammer for putting together the presentation.

Program: Roger Geller, Portland's Bicycle Program Coordinator, gave an informative presentation focusing on the history of Portland's planning and policies of the city's cycling transportation programs and how Portland compares with other national and international recognized programs.

President Chip Kyle called the business portion of the meeting to order at 8:26 pm.

A MOTION to approve the September Club Meeting Minutes as published was made by Dave McQuery and seconded by Cheryl Speer. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Larry Lewis, Treasurer, reported on September's financial activity. As expected for this time of year expenses slightly outpace revenues. The estimated payment of \$19,000 from Cascade for STP services was still pending. The Club's year-to-date loss is around the \$5,000 mark. As always, the books are open to members.

OFFICER REPORTS

Member-at-Large Bill Hamilton thanked those who have suggested topics for his Spotlight on Safety column. The column continues to get very positive responses. Bill also reminded riders to be extra cautious now that rainy weather has made roads slick and strewn with downed leaves.

Member-at-Large Benn Schonman thanked all the adventurous participants who turned out for his September loaded tour on Washington's John Wayne Trail. Gravel road surfaces were challenging, but there was no traffic!

Member-at-Large Chuck Dorr recommended riders buy better rain gear and continue to ride!

Member-at-Large Corey Eng announced his Sunday west side rides are now on the ride schedule. These regroup rides leave at 9:30 am from Tannesborne REI with a coffee stop along the route.

Road Captain #1 Brian Hammer reported the October ride schedule was full but Saturday and Sunday rides are needed for November.

Road Captain #2 Patrick Cecil reported there are no rides waiting to be entered on the schedule. He had the sign in sheet for members who rode to tonight's meeting.

Membership Secretary Lori Buffington reported 414 memberships and 562 riders. The Club has 85 new memberships and 108 riders so far this year.

Recording Secretary Joan Cullen thanked Bill Hamilton for filling in as recording secretary in September while she was on a short hiatus.

Vice-president Ann Morrow covered the following topics:

- Ann thanked several members who assisted a new rider's positive experience on a recent Meet PWTC ride.
- She announced the 1-page shop flyer would be discontinued at the end of the year. However, the Club's informational tri-fold brochure was being reworked for distribution at local bike shops and used at Sunday Parkways.
- The Board would be appointing a third party entity to receive and review the Club's monthly bank statements. This action was being taken as a precautionary step to ensure a fail safe in monitoring the Club's financial books.
- At the November Board Meeting, groups to be considered for end of year charitable donations will be reviewed. Members should contact any Board member with suggestions of organizations to be considered.
- Ann encouraged new members to please ride and keep up to date with Club news by reading the on-line newsletter.
- Cycology Today on Oct. 11th will feature Club members Richard Miselis and Pat McManus who will share tips on touring and how to select a cycling tour company.

President Chip Kyle covered the following topics:

- Wednesday's ride to tour Chris King's factory was attended by 19 riders. It was a great factory tour lasting 2 hours.
- John Henry Maurice from the Salem Bike Club had contacted Chip asking if PWTC was also seeing a decline in ridership at our moneymaking events. The Salem Club had seen a significant decline over the past 3 years at both their Monster Cookie and Peach of a Century events. With the Pioneer also seeing a decline in attendance, it does appear declining numbers may be a general downward trend.
- Rider leaders were reminded our new Statistician, George Ammerman, had an extensive list of outstanding ride sheets. Ride sheets are needed a.s.a.p. to compile the 3rd quarter mileage stats.
- Member Del Scharfenberg participated in Nevada's Silver State 508 endurance ride. Del completed the event in 46 hours 48 minutes with an average of 10.9 mph, finishing well within the 48-hour time limit.
- Chip covered the need for replacements for several key volunteer positions. Allison Nelson has stepped into Phil Brown's role to obtain 2017 STP permits. The Pioneer Century is looking for Team Leaders for Pre-registration, Volunteer Coordinator, and Food Planning. Interested parties should contact Brian Hammer or Ann Morrow for more information regarding job duties. Board positions being recruited for are Road Captain #1, Member-at-Large and Treasurer. Anyone interested in the Treasurer position should have the ability to use a computer, work with numbers, have some experience with Quicken or a similar book keeping program, be available for two meetings a month, and be able to monitor a budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – no reports at this time.

NEW BUSINESS – none at this time.

OPEN FLOOR DISCUSSION

Community Cycling Center Wrenching – Karyn Mardis, Coordinator, has the sign up sheet for this year's Friday wrenching nights scheduled on November 4th, 11th, and 18th. Workspace is limited so volunteers do need to sign up. There was also a link for sign up on the October eAlert.

Thank yous – Phil Brown thanked Allison Nelson for taking over responsibility for 2017 STP permitting, Arden Shelton for taking over management of the Club's clothing store, and George Ammerman for taking on the Statistician duties from Cheryl Speer.

Beaverton, Banks, and Beyond Bicycle Tour – Bruce Buffington, Coordinator, reported the event turnout was down about 50% due to the extremely hot weather on event day, but he wanted to thank all the PWTC volunteers who helped support the ride. August 19, 2017, is the date for next year's event. He also announced Northwest Bicycle Safety Council has reached 15,200 helmet fittings and thanked all the volunteers who have made it possible for NWBSC to reach this incredible goal!

2016 Awards Banquet – Benn Schonman, Coordinator, announced members can register either on-line or by snail mail for the January 29, 2017, event at the Monarch Hotel. Printable registration forms are available on the website. Bud Rice, Nominations Committee Chair, reminded members to submit their written nominations as soon as possible. There will be more information regarding the event in upcoming newsletters.

Tuesday AM Spin – Cindy Bernert-Coppola announced beginning in October the ride start time moved to 10:00 am.

Club Business Cards & Washington County Maps – See Ann Morrow if you would like either of these printed materials.

Monthly Raffle Drawing:

Member Lori Buffington won the monthly \$25 gift card to a supporting local bike shop.

Dave McQuery moved to adjourn the meeting. Bruce Buffington seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and President Chip Kyle adjourned the meeting at 8:57 pm.