

Board members in attendance: Tom, Reed, Gary, Paula, Mel, Marina
Others in attendance: Ray, Mike, one extra gentleman for the first 20 minutes of the meeting

Monday, February 3, 2014

Minutes approved for December, January Board meetings-
Discussion about meeting being cancelled for 1.20.2014

Additions to the agenda- Marina

Ride of silence- looking for another party to take responsibility

Marina can assist in printing materials and gathering volunteers

Possible responsible parties- LiveMove, insert in GEARs newsletter

Nearby Nature youth and nature partnership event-

Play in the Rain Day; possible tabling opportunity for GEARs; GEARs serve as a ride

sponsor- logo will be included on event information

April 26, 10am-3pm, ages 12-18

Motion- GEARs will sponsor this event with no additional monetary expense, but will

look into providing a "take away" item; motion seconded; passes.

Reed (City of Eugene), Allie (Point2point) will look into expenses for "take aways"

3. Consolidation Process- process has been stalled with Attorney Larson

Three past efforts have provided zero response (1.16, 1.23, 2.3)

Motion- request board approval to send a message to Mr. Larson to use another service;

ask for explanation of behaviors; communicate that we are unhappy with past service;

GEARs will move on to another attorney for our needs

Motion seconded, passes unanimously

4. Financial Report- January

Outstanding check of \$12.99, \$400 to account for; December check for velo vouchers

cleared in January

\$54.15 positive for January

Budget- \$335 for ride program still untapped for velo vouchers

\$858.63 unallocated for ride program account

\$14,825.XX as of January 2014 which includes cash flow and CD

Dues due- loaded touring organization (adventure cycling) \$80 annual/\$150 two years

ACA renewal gives us 2 subscriptions, member pricing on maps, access to email database for cyclists in our area, news emails

Only benefit to GEARs is email database; no feedback on how ACA has helped

GEARs members in the past; March 8th is deadline to renew- we can wait until next board meeting to decide

Alliance for Biking and Walking membership dues- no paper copies have been

received

to renew membership

Benefit to GEARs? Provide us resources to make us better advocates; Reed knows Jeff Miller; sees value in helping to support advocacy organizations

Rate- 0.001 of organization's earnings OR minimum payment of \$100

Deadline was 1.31- we missed deadline for publication in Alliance materials

Motion- move to renew membership as long as expenses are not more than

\$100; seconded; passes unanimously

5. Assign Strategic Plan (S.P.) tasks-

Certain steps must be put in place before assigning these tasks- budget process primarily;

bRamble

Focus just on S.P. tasks at the next board meeting

Prioritize interests; develop budget; check GEARs staff capacity

Marina volunteers to organize the bRamble; Gary will email volunteers with next steps

bRamble is priority in S.P.; what else do we want to prioritize in S.P.

Mike and Ray already starting initial efforts for bRamble; organize a committee meeting for February

1 hour will be set aside in March to read/discuss S.P. and set priorities

6. Special and General Meetings-

Holiday party was a good time- approximately 23 people showed up

Meetings occurred almost monthly last year

March general meeting- Paula will discuss the Women's Tour; date TBD; Paula will

confirm with lady tourists; also discuss tour for this year

Venue- Washington Park Cottage or Hilyard Center- WPC worked well!

6pm time will remain; easy snack foods

Maybe try a quarterly destination meeting- bike to pizza?

7. Planning the New Budget- this item will be on hold until consolidation is underway

8. Paula's embroidery- she is designing a GEARs hat!

Looking for GEARs board to provide feedback; a test-head will be used

Labor and thread will always be free from Paula

9. Next Board Meeting- March 3, 6pm, Keystone Cafe

March's general meeting- will look at 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Thursdays for availability in venues

Adjourned: 7:35pm