

GEARS BOARD MEETING, July 1st, 2015, Keystone Café

PRESENT: Judy Duff, Paula Ericson, Mike Cantrell, Steve Hecker, Ray Linneman, Mel Huey, Nancy Brandenfels, Lynda Christiansen, Jeff Sprague

MINUTES: June minutes approved by email prior to this meeting

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT AND BRAMBLE UPDATE: Mike met with Wayne of REI, they will provide a very large tent which will provide welcome shade as a tree has been removed from the park. Mike knows of 7-8 other shelters we can use.

REI will do a raffle. There is a continuing need for volunteers at rest stops, as road marshals and at the park. 100 registrations have been received to date, which is about par with past years. Registrations may be delayed as folks wait to see how long the heat endures. Nancy will request volunteers on Facebook; will note that riders can choose shorter distances if the day is hot. Mike reviewed the entertainment lineup, noting a Ukulele group has volunteered to play without charge.

TREASURER: Judy reported a current balance of \$9118 after payment of payroll, and \$15,325 in the Education account. Judy will have a Financial Statement in 2-3 weeks. It was agreed the next budget will begin in October, allowing time to get bRamble figures complete.

FACEBOOK: Nancy has promoted the Texas 4000, the general meeting showing of historical films of women in cycling and the bRamble. There have been 1140 fans of our page, 3 lost, and 80 gains. Nancy has purchased a onetime \$50 FB promotion, and asked permission to purchase additional time to promote the bRamble in Oregon, Washington and California. Steve made the motion, seconded by Mel, that \$50 be approved for a second promotion, carried.

GENERAL MEETING: Steve said 27 people attended the general meeting Tuesday, including new faces. He noted that Hilyard Center is a good site for showing films. Bike fitting will be the subject for September meeting, with Jay presenting general information, and Misch focusing on women's needs.

TEXAS 4000: Paula will ask the group to contact us when they leave Roseburg. Mike suggested the Gears riders meet at Hilyard Center at 1pm and meet the Texas group along Lorane Highway. Judy is heading up the dinner, plans spaghetti which will be made at First Christian Church. We will solicit salads and

French bread from Gears members. Emily, our contact at FC church, says they will provide desert and make breakfast the next morning.

ABJS: Paula has worked with the U of O campus and has committed ABJS to a donation. Mike, Paul, Steve and Ray will meet Monday to do a trial route for the conference members. 24 have signed up. They will begin the ride at 1pm, return to the Hilton at 4pm. Lynda will pick up the box lunches and prepare the picnic site.

MOONLIGHT MASH RIDE: Mel will go to Keysey Square this evening to meet with the group and do a raffle. Steve moved, seconded by Mel, carried, that prizes be a Gears membership or entry to the bRamble. Lynda will assist.

GOALS: Advocacy: Paula noted we have recommended the Bike Advocacy group remain within Gears. Ray suggested we invite Sue Wolling meet with the board next month to explore how we can work together, and this was agreed upon.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Jeff moved, seconded by Steve that we have no August meeting. We next will meet SEPTEMBER 2nd.

Meeting Adjourned 7:15pm

Respectfully submitted, Lynda Christiansen, Secretary