

GEARS BOARD MEETING, MAY 6, 2015, Keystone Café

PRESENT: Judy Duff, Mike Cantrell, Ray Linneman, Paula Erickson, Mel Huey, Jessica Frink, Marina Hayek, Lynda Christiansen

MINUTES: Approved by email prior to meeting

bRamble Update: Mike reviewed planning for the event. Saturday evening pasta dinner will be organized with Eugene city help. Rick Dancer will be the featured speaker. Registration is now open and 30 entries received, up from 3 at this time last year. Sponsors approached include Pacific Source and Oakshire Brewery.

Rest Stops: no organizers have yet been found for Orchard or Crow sites. Paula suggested contacting local fire departments to take on this job for a fee. Mike will research this idea.

Celebration: Planning for food and entertainment underway. There will be jugglers for the children and Killer Bee will provide music

Community Ride: Better advertisement is being worked on. Gary and Mike are making a video which will post on U-tube.

TREASURERS REPORT: Judy reported a balance of \$6756.18 in the Club fund, \$17,181.45 in the Education Fund. Mike provided a report recommending distribution of funds, and past donations.

RIDE OF SILENCE: Marina reported the ride will take place May 20th and requested expense donations. She plans posters with stands for store counters as well as laminated signs on the bike path. Mel made the motion, seconded by Judy that we cover expenses up to \$100, unanimously approved by the board. CAT will provide a bicycle transportation and rider for Mayor Piercy if she attends.

CINNAMON ROLL RIDE: May 20th. Paula will provide the cinnamon rolls, seeks help with breakfast casseroles. Lyn Gilman-Garrett has agreed to deliver the casseroles

PROTECTING WALKING AND ROLLING BIKE EVENT: Mel will coordinate our table at this event and will be looking for prizes.

AAA Roadside assistance for bicyclists. A letter was received requesting support for National AAA bicycle assistance. Paula will discuss this with AAA

ROW RIVER ROAD improvements: Nancy Brandenfels has internet skills, and is leading this campaign. Mike will contact her.

TEXAS 4000: Coming to First Christian Church in early July. We will prepare the potluck and have an evening program

EUGENE SUNDAY STREETS: This was tabled until the June meeting.

BTA: We have no word yet on Jim Wilcox plan to contact BTA. There is no category for bike club sponsorship so any monies we donate would be a contribution. Ray will email BTA and question the benefit of such donation would be to Gears.

MEMBERSHIP FORM: A few changes were proposed, Ray will send the final draft for email approval

RIDE WITH COUNTY OFFICIALS: Paul, Steve and Ray rode with Orin Schumacher of Lane County to discuss some issues of road surface. We are asked to report continuing issues and maintain communications with the county.

HIGHWAY 58 Pleasant Hill bridge: Dangerous conditions for bicyclists were noted. Ray will encourage sweeping of debris, Paula will suggest a light warning motorists of bicycles on the bridge

ROBIN'S PROPOSED FRIDAY EVENING SOCIAL RIDES: Robin will be encouraged to proceed with these.

GOALS: Ray presented the Transportation Goal which was discussed.

YOUNG RIDERS: Judy and Jessica discussed bringing in younger riders, proposed a bike tour for incoming university students. They will continue to explore this

Meeting adjourned 7:45

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Christiansen, Secretary