

GEARS BOARD MEETING, SEPTEMBER 2, 2015, Keystone Café

PRESENT: Gary Swanson, Ray Linneman, Steve Hecker, Judy Duff, Paula Erickson, Nancy Brandenfels, Mel Huey, Lynda Christiansen, Jim Wilcox.

MINUTES: Steve made motion to approve, Judy second, all in favor

BRAMBLE REPORT: Gary presented summary of potential changes to structure of the bRamble as he and Mike have discussed. Proposed two organizers, one for the ride, one for celebration, and a separate coordinator for registration. Decide what 2016 should look like:

A. Ride and pie/ice cream only? This would yield most profit for Gears and least amount planning/volunteer need B. Ride & Celebration: Money for celebration comes from proceeds of the ride. A gift and/or promotion of cycling in the community? C. Dinner (general Meeting) Saturday evening? Proceeds go to Adaptive Recreation program. \$5 subsidy for Gears members. Speaker and cost?

Mike has said he will do bramble administration and publicity but not actual chores.

Jim asked if a post event survey was done and since it was not, suggested we do a Survey Monkey

Facebook publicity for event, had 58 registrations following posting of pie/icecream

We received a \$1000 donation from Pacific Source for the community ride upon successful matching.

Paula, Nancy, Mel and Steve will meet to discuss bRamble structure changes

TREASURER'S REPORT AND BUDGET: Judy has worked to reorganize and make the budget clearer

A finance committee was formed with Judy, Mel and Paula. They will clarify advocacy and outreach, decide the start of our fiscal year and other issues.

FACEBOOK: Nancy said we have had a satisfactory response to our ads

GENERAL MEETING: Thursday, October 1st at Washington Park Cottage with Dave Moulton, cycle frame builder speaking. Number of general meetings we should hold yearly was discussed, decided 5, possibly 6 this year. Jim said he wants to head up bike security for bike events. November general meeting will be the annual meeting with any board changes. Hutches Bike Shop will talk about bike fitting at that meeting.

SUNDAY STREETS: Mel said the event went well, and plans to attend have a table at Springfield Employee Wellness Fair 9/3.

ABJS: Paula asked about the donation amount from this event, Judy will research that

MOONLIGHT MASH: They have requested our financial support, Paula noted we need a budget to know what funds we have available first. Question raised as to whether they put our rides on their schedule, however the mismatch in our rides was noted, and agreed to let Al decide this.

UofO Transportation Day: Should we participate, October 13th, 10-4. Mel will contact them for further info.

ARRIVING BY BIKE: has made a donation for the educational program

DIVERSION PROGRAM: Jim has been involved with this program, discussed a homeless woman who received a \$300 fine for violation, needed to borrow \$20 to take the class. There is not much awareness of the program, due to office turnover. Paula will talk to Paul Adkins about the program

ELECTRIC BIKE SHOP: will be recognized in the newsletter

ANTI-SAFETY PROPOSAL: Seeking to have larger trucks on the road, Steve moved, seconded by Judy that Paula will communicate with Rep. Defazio to support his opposition

THANKS TO WORKERS: Jim asked for \$50 to purchase items to thank city street sweepers for their continued hard work. Donations will be asked for at annual meeting. Moved by Lynda, seconded by Steve, passed

Meeting adjourned, 8:25pm

Respectfully submitted, Lynda Christiansen, Secretary