VELO CLUB MONTEREY

Board Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2021

Present: President, Chris Swainson; Vice President, Tom Rolander; Treasurer, Jack Mckenna; and Members at Large, Suzanne Kroeze and Patrick Tregenza.

Guests: Vera Noghera

1. Call to Order -The meeting was called to order by President Swainson at 7:05 PM.
2. Announcements -There were no announcements.
3. Minutes of the Last Meeting – It was moved and seconded (Swainson/Tregenza) and unanimously approved that the minutes of the 1/13/21 be accepted and presented.
4. Treasurer's Report – It was moved and seconded (McKenna/Rolander) and unanimously approved that the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2021 be accepted as presented. Treasurer McKenna also mentioned that Operating Budget for FY 2020/2021 had been revised to indicated that revenue from Membership Dues now stood at $3,385.
5. Membership Report – President Swainson reported that as of the 31st of January membership was at 134 paid Regular and Family members. As of this date no Junior Members have joined. Additionally, of the 134 paid members approximately 40 have not turned in their completed waiver form. President, Swainson said he would begin to deal with the waiver form issue.

   Also discussed were the Strava Figures – it was agreed that Rolander/Swainson would reconcile the figures.

6. Events – Director Kroeze proposed that the Club sponsor a "Quiz Night" event on the 23rd of February. Lesley Everett and Vanessa Bredthauer (club members) have volunteered to coordinate the event and considerable interest has been indicated. The event would involve gift cards from Alta coffee shop in Monterey. For this reason, they were requesting a $150.00 commitment from the club. It was moved and seconded (Kroeze/Swainson) and unanimously approved that the $150 commitment be made.

   Also agreed that President Swainson would prepare 2021 membership email list for the necessary email campaign.

   Director Kroeze also mentioned that she had been in contact with Mark Kaufmann regarding other event possibilities such as a "Twilight Ride" taking place in June, July or September. Mark also volunteered his facility for the annual picnic in August. A date of the 29 was tentatively decided on for this event. Director Tregenza suggested that the club sponsor a second "Century Ride" for the middle of March. This event would be similar to the one staged in December of 2020 that was very successful. Directors Kroeze and Tregenza actioned with putting together the necessary email campaign to launch the event in advance of the next Board meeting.

   Finally, Director Kroeze mentioned that she was pulling together a "Knowledge Base" covering previous club events. This information should be useful in establishing timing, protocol and costs of events that have been historically sponsored by the club.

7. TAMC – Vera Noghera, club representative to TAMC, mentioned that Jeff Wallace would be serving as an alternate representative to TAMC. Also, Cal Trans District No. Five has new leadership, and this individual is a cyclist. This may mean that cycling could become a higher priority. There is also a proposal to provide "Rumble Strips" along Hwy 1 between Monterey and

SLO. TAMC is also sponsoring a "Bicycle Secure Program" that provides bike racks at no cost on request. Vera should be contacted if someone is interested. Finally, TAMC is involved in road widening and Shared Use Paths at Veranda Road in Salinas.

8. Old Business

   Club Communication – President Swainson provided board members with a list of individuals that might be interested in assuming the responsibility of "Ride Ambassador." This individual would be charged with the responsibility of communicating useful information to participants in various weekly rides. These individuals still need to be contacted.

   Club Waiver – Vice President Rolander led the discussion regarding the information he had pulled together relative to the policy and protocol other cycling clubs employ in use of waivers. In summary, it appears that virtually all clubs have both members and non-members sign liability waivers. In many instances, for non-members, this takes place before all club sponsored rides. Considerable discussion took place regarding the necessity for our club to take a similar action. It was agreed that Vice President Rolander would contact USA Cycling for their thoughts on this matter and would have more information for the next Board Meeting. It was also suggested that we may ultimately need to hire an attorney for a professional opinion on the matter.

9. New Business

   Club Brochures – As an "Action Item" Director Tregenza volunteered to take over the development of the new club brochure. A copy of the old brochure will be circulated to all board members for their input.

   President Swainson actioned with liaising with Mark Kaufmann and Director Tregenza re old brochure and costs etc.

10. As an information item it was mentioned that although 18 months ago, we changed our Fiscal Year from January 1st to December 31st to April 1st to March 31st, we now need to revise the Club Bylaws to reflect this change. It was also noted that there may be other changes that should be considered in the Club Bylaws. All agreed to review the current Bylaws in time for the next Board Meeting.
11. Next Board Meeting was set for March 10, 2021
12. It was moved and seconded (Swainson/ Tregenza and unanimously approved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 9:30 PM.