

B.I.K.E.S. Meeting Minutes

Thursday October 8, 2009 7:00pm

Members attending: Bill Weber, Warren Bare, Mike Dahlstrom, Bill Lutterloh, Debby Grant, John Carlin, Doug Andrews and Sharon Andrews.

President Bill Weber opened the meeting:

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Minutes of Last meeting
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Old Business
5. New Business
 - a. Grants: Sharing Wheels, Christmas House, Emerson Elementary and Lynndale Elementary of Lynnwood
6. Election of Officers
7. Ride Leader/Volunteer breakfast
8. Other Business
9. Adjourn

September meeting minutes were read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was presented: Checking = \$7,533.87 and Savings = \$5,316.60; and accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

- Warren Bare urged that non-working signals need to be reported to the proper contact in the jurisdiction. Warren indicated a table of jurisdiction contacts is to be placed on the club web site. Anyone identifying a non working signaling device can refer to the club site and find the contact, then report it. Snohomish County signals are using video cameras to detect vehicles, including bikes, to trip the signals. Most cities are using in street devices, which are not always identified, and not always reacting to a bicycle. Warren said he would champion the cause if anyone had trouble with the governing agency regarding signal activating problems.
- Also from Warren: A new signal at 200th St and 40 Ave., in Lynnwood, has a hazardous curb. A handicap yellow curb foot pad was installed there, but a 4-6 inch curb rises above it to access the sidewalk, an obvious error on the part of the installing entity.

- Debby Grant reports that the membership data file is now maintained by Tim Wise, who together with Debby, is performing an audit for accurate and current information. As more members choose email for their newsletter, distributing membership cards and alerting members to renew becomes challenging. She suggests that a post card be sent to all members for renewals, both on-line and paper receivers. Member email updates are solicited going forward. It's critical to maintaining an accurate data file.

NEW BUSINESS

- Warren alerts us that city and county budget constraints might influence bicycle/road improvement projects. Shortcuts in planning and/or operations/implementation could jeopardize quality and scope of projects. We all need to be vigilant and report discrepancies as we find them.
- Reporting non-member rider's mileage or not? Discussion of non-members riding and having their mileage reported in the newsletter along members resulted in disagreement. Several in attendance do not want to have non-member mileage reported, others feel it's an incentive for non-members to join the club. No decision was reached on this matter. Currently non-members can ride one or two times, then are asked/encouraged to join. Recording their mileage may confuse records as to who is a member and who is not. RIDE LEADERS are required to report mileage of members to the table maintenance person, and must identify who is a member and who is not.

GRANTS

- Sharing Wheels of Everett, Lynndale Elementary School, Christmas House and Emerson Elementary of Everett all submitted grants requesting money for bicycle related projects. Meeting attendees voted on granting money to Sharing Wheels in the amount of \$ 1,035.00 for bicycle restoration and related activity. Six hundred dollars will be granted April 2010, and the remaining \$435.00 will be granted immediately.
- Christmas House was granted \$1,000.00, with the stipulation that they further explain how the money will be used.
- Emerson elementary was granted \$110.00 to purchase a tricycle and bike helmets.
- Lynndale Elementary needs to clarify their grant request. No money granted until they comply with grant fundamentals as to need and purpose. Bill Weber will pursue with them and Christmas House.

NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS

The current nominating committee has nominated the following members for office:

- President - Debby Grant
- Vice President - Warren Bare
- Treasurer - Kristi Knodell
- Secretary - Doug Andrews

All nominees were voted on and accepted. Offices will be served for at least one year. It was agreed that the new Treasurer will use Quicken software. The Club will purchase a new copy for the new treasurer.

RIDE LEADER / VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST

A date of November 1, 2009 was approved. Location to be announced.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Club Christmas Party scheduled for December 5, Saturday, at Warren Bare's Club house. Details to follow.

DRAWING

Doug and Sharon won the drawing for two tickets to the Bicycle Alliance auction. The Auction October 24 at Seattle Center.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.