

MTCCSD BOARD MEETING

Minutes for Oct 29, 2008 MTCCSD General Meeting



Intro:

Meeting called to order at 7:15PM.

Board Members present: Odale, Paul S, Dennard, Paul M, Julio, (Harold was absent.)

General Members and Friends present: Oscar Flagg, Rachel Reed, Steve Jolly, Rob Tavokoli, Freda Frye, Art Jones, Jon Cawthorne, Ivan Jones, Carlos Valenzuela, Morris Miller, Pam.

Julio and Dennard were co-chairs of meeting.

Clothing Orders:

Latest clothing order is scheduled to ship Nov 10 '08. Items will be distributed at rides and any remaining items kept at Sister Locks for owner pick-up.

Club Events:

Club participation in community events was reviewed, including MLK Parade, Tour de Cure, Ironman Triathlon, Cycling for Sight, Tuesday Training Rides, Allensworth Century, Christmas Bike Ride, etc.

Membership:

Paid membership is now at 29. We will start soliciting renewals for 2009 as follows:

- Post renewal message on website in mid-Nov.
- Email members reminder in mid-Nov.
- Send-out renewal notice via USPS early Dec.

Membership benefits include BBQ. SD County Bicycle Coalition membership, and discounts at a growing number of bike shops.

Treasurer Report:

Paul S reported that to-date in 2008 we received \$1,130 in income (primarily from memberships) and encountered \$865 in expenses. This leaves us with a balance of approx. \$265.00, so we need to be very careful with funding commitments until memberships are renewed for 2009. See attached spreadsheet for details of income and expenses report as of Oct 28 '08.

(Clothing carried in separate account.)

National Brotherhood of Cyclists:

Odale led discussion in membership in National Brotherhood of Cyclists. There was general consensus that MTCCSD will join. Cost for club is nominal (~\$100/year). We will discuss further in following meetings.

Freda Frye Bike Drive:

Freda Frye described her annual Christmas Bike Drives. This is the fourth year. Drive goal was 50 bikes for first two years and 100 bikes in third year, and was met all three years. She conducts a raffle to raise money to purchase bikes plus receives bikes directly from donors. Distribution to kids will be on Dec 21 this year, and she needs volunteer help. She can be reached at FredaFrye2002@hotmail.com or at (619)787-9454. Julio suggested conducting a bike rodeo for the kids, and we will discuss further at our next meeting. Art will work with Freda on possibly using used/rebuilt bikes for the drive.

Open Discussion:

Rob brought-up the issue of club sponsorship. His company (Bicycle Rx) is interested in sponsorship and needs to know what they would get in return.

Rob also brought up requests for more intense rides as well as having ride sheets available to riders.

Much further discussion on rides followed. Committed ride leaders responsible for each ride as well as ride sheets for each ride would be good. Rachel's experience is that rides are disorganized, starting too late and stopping too many times. Oscar seconded these criticisms. Overall, the rides need more structure. Pam's experience is that rides should have maps with committed front and end riders. We should do the same to avoid leaving people behind.

Overall, Paul M is overloaded with the responsibility for scheduling the rides, and it's difficult to meet different levels of riders with a small group of members.

We decided to set-up a subcommittee to study rides. People will include Oscar, Paul M, Ivan, Rob and Steve. Odale will get with Ron Lacey to educate riders and ride leaders on proper ride etiquette.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35PM.

NEW ACTIONS:

1. Set-up possible bike rodeo for Dec 21 Bike Rodeo. (Julio)
2. Get info to Rob T on club sponsorship. (Dennard, Julio)
3. Set-up subcommittee to study rides. (Odale)