

CBC General Membership Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2017

Chattanooga Outdoors

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

Presiding: Martin Penny

Officers present: Gray Fletcher, Tom Jamison, Lou Pape, Daisy Blanton, Michelle Anderson, Mike Hartline, Sharon Russell

Others present: Chuck Puglisi, Ben Keim

Agenda items in **bold**

○ **Approval of October Meeting Minutes**

○ President - Martin Penny

○ **Club officer search update**

▪ Martin requested an update on the search for 2018 officers. Lou Pape, on behalf of nominating committee (Lou, Gray, Sharon), presented the following proposed slate of elected officers:

- President – Mike Hartline
- Vice Presidents – Tim Blaes, Joe Lodato, Tony Perri (shared)
- Treasurer – Sharon Russell
- Secretary – Michelle Anderson
- Event Coordinator – open
- Road Ride Coordinator – Peggy Olson
- Communications Director – Daisy Blanton
- Social Media Directors – Mike Brown, Mikki Blaes (shared)
- Membership Director – Matt Mallett
- Officer-At Large – Chuck Puglisi
- Officer-At Large – Ben Keim

▪ There was some discussion regarding the proposed sharing of the Vice-President position. Lou referenced the by-laws, which permits sharing of positions. He then stated the intent to involve as many members as possible in board activities, and to protect the role of club president by ensuring the availability of members prepared to fill future vacancies.

▪ It was also discussed that per by-laws, the event coordinator is an elected, not appointed, position, for which there are currently no candidates.

▪ Social Director, which has in past been treated as an elected position, is, per by-laws, an appointed slot, but with no volunteer forthcoming to fill it at this time.

▪ Advocacy Directory is also an appointed position. Phil Pugliese has expressed willingness to continue to serve in this capacity in 2018.

▪ Regarding Social Media, Martin reminded those present that, due to insurance and liability issues, the board should exercise caution in determining who should be allowed to post to the club's Facebook page.

○ **Annual party/meeting update** – see Social Director, below

○ **End of year charitable donations** – see Treasurer, below

○ **2019 3S/3M or different event**

▪ 3S3M - It was discussed and agreed that CBC would make application to the city for a 3S3M event to be held in May 2019. The fee that was paid in application for the denied 2018 permit will be transferred to the 2019 application. Martin to follow-up with Phil.

- Other event - It was suggested that we might offer to partner with Next Steps organization for a Sequatchie Valley event in the fall of 2018. Incoming officers Mike Hartline and Chuck Puglisi expressed a desire to solicit feedback from general membership before deciding on next year's event/s.
- VP – Open
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- Treasurer - Gray Fletcher
 - **Financial reports** – Gray submitted year-to-date financial reports. The club has on hand approximately \$80k (~\$79k after payments for various outstanding items). This is down about \$14k compared to last year.
 - **2018 budget** – Anticipating a lean year with no planned event to help fund club expenditures, Gray presented for consideration two budget versions for 2018. The first was a bare-bones budget of just over \$8000 with the deepest cuts made to cycling advocacy, social events, professional fees, and storage costs. The second version of approximately \$11,700, other than a reduced amount for social events, was closely aligned with actual expenses incurred by the club during 2017. After some discussion, the second version was approved with adjustments made to increase the allowance for social events, and to reduce spending for storage. Final approved budget for 2018 is \$13,383. With anticipated income from membership dues totaling just over \$4000 and no event income, the projected loss for year 2018 is \$9138.
 - While discussing the budget, it was noted that last year CBC donated funds to train bicycle instructors, but that the participants were not club members. Ben Keim requested that, in future, CBC members be given first chance to take advantage of such training opportunities.
 - **Year end donations** – The board approved the following end of year charitable donations:
 - Bike Walk TN - \$455 (per membership application designations)
 - Chickamauga Library - \$500
 - Friends of the Battlefield - \$500
 - Friends of Moccasin Bend - \$500
 - Paralyzed Veterans Racing Team - \$2500 (roughly \$3 per 3S3M participant)
- Secretary - Sharon Russell
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- Event Coordinator – open
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- Road Ride Coordinator - Tom Jamison
 - Tom inquired as to availability of funds for ride leader recognition. (Spent approx. \$600 last year). Gray confirmed funds available.
- Membership Director - Lou Pape
 - **Nominating Committee Report** – see President, above
 - **Season Opening Rides & Chili Cook-Off** – Lou has volunteered to organize the 2018 Season Opening event. He plans a chili cook-off with prizes, and taco bar. Ride options will include a family-friendly ride with participation of children/grandchildren encouraged.
 - **2018 Event Options** – Lou strongly urged that an event committee be appointed immediately to begin investigating 2018 event options, in order to be able to present those options to members at January's membership meeting/party, and to ensure enough time to plan and organize whatever event is decided upon. Those present declined to act on this recommendation, preferring to defer action until the 2018 board is in place.
- Advocacy Director - Philip Pugliese (not present)
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- Communication Director - Daisy Blanton
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- Social Director - Michelle Anderson

- **Annual meeting - Updates & proposed agenda**
 - Venue - \$275 deposit paid and contract signed. Balance of \$275 due after event
 - Food – to be catered by Purple Daisy at quoted cost of \$434. Members will be asked to bring appetizers and/or desserts.
 - Agenda to include social hour with food, Mark Jacobs STP event, recognition of ride leaders, special awards, recognition of old board, vote new board, door prizes.
 - Door prizes/gift certificates. Members to purchase/solicit from local shops and invite to meeting:
 - Martin Penny - Owen Cyclery
 - Michelle - Matt Mallett, East Ridge Bicycles
 - Gray Fletcher – Suck Creek Cycle
 - Peggy - Scotts Bicycle Center
 - (Volunteer needed to approach Trek Bicycle Store)
 - Volunteers for welcome table and door prize tickets – Tom Jamison, Sharon Russell
 - Volunteers for Setup – Tom, Chuck, Webb, Mikki
 - Other - Ben Keim suggested approaching Tony Perri for music.
- **Social events** – no discussion
- **Storage unit** – this was addressed as part of budget discussions, as Gray recommended we reduce storage costs by downsizing to a smaller storage unit. The storage unit currently contains several items that should be sold (Jerseys), donated (3S3M food), or disposed of. Lou, Martin, and others have begun some cleanup. Several of those present volunteered to assist.
- Social Media Director - Susan Lawton (not present)
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- At Large - Mike Hartline
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- At Large - 2nd position – Open
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- Old Business –
- New Business –
- Adjournment: 7:45 PM
- Next Meeting – January 20, 2018 at Chattanooga Homebuilders Association

Respectfully submitted by Sharon Russell, Secretary