

Board Meeting – Wednesday, November 4th 2020  
Big Ole Bike Club  
Brand house and on-line, Alexandria

Board members present:

- Derek Chinn – online
- Jeff Brand
- Bonnie Brand
- Bryan Swenson - online
- Craig Andrews - online
- Scott Deitz

Jeff called to order at ~6:35 PM

#### Financials:

Bonnie updated us on the checkbook balances, all in the black.

Income from jersey sales and membership dues noted.

There have been some significant donations to mention:

- \$5100 from Gates Foundation to ROC
- \$5000 from Heartland Orthopedics to ROC
- \$2000 from NICA MN League to AAYC for Brophy race
- \$200 from individual to AAYC to benefit a student-athlete(s)

AAYC checkbook balance well into the black due to significantly less expenses this year.

The AAYC savings account has yielded \$385 interest.

Derek had one last AAYC expense where last spring he paid out of pocket \$250 for the team registration. Bonnie will get a check to Derek.

Derek requested that the \$599 stipend normally paid to head coaches be rolled back to AAYC for student-athlete benefits, reduction in team fees, or possibly for jerseys (for further discussion). Bonnie will get a donation receipt to Derek for the stipend amount.

Derek has chosen to not submit any head coaching expenses for reimbursement, other than the team registration noted above.

#### Runestone Off Road Cyclists:

Jeff gave a report on ROC activities. Significant efforts happened in 2020 with both new trail building and maintaining existing trails.

Jeff requested that a plate packer be purchased by ROC for use in the trail building efforts at a cost of about \$2300. This investment would pay for itself in several years as the rental is quite high. Scott made a motion that ROC purchase the packer, seconded by Craig, passed unanimously. Jeff mentioned that in the future ROC should consider the purchase of a DR brush mower. Jeff thanked Jake for the donation of a string trimmer. Jeff will talk to Brad Bonk about getting help moving larger rocks at KRP for integration into some new trail features.

Jeff mentioned that Laguz at KRP is now finished thanks to significant volunteer efforts.

2021 will likely bring berm work and skills course work at Brophy.

### Jersey Sales:

Jeff has the BOBC jersey inventory from Jake, and we have been reimbursed for those sold. Jeff will work with Craig to get another order submitted to Primal, the supplier. This new order will be split between Jake's Bikes, and Nate at The Alex Bike Shop.

### AAYC Mountaineers:

THANK YOU Derek for all your AAYC and MN League work in a very difficult year!!

Consensus was that 2021 was a successful year for the team, despite all the challenges posed by the pandemic. We saw some slight growth (42 student-athletes to 45). The use of pods with dedicated coaches was implemented, with some pros and cons mentioned. More targeted skills training was a positive, but with missed opportunities for interaction between pods with the more experienced student-athletes. Thankfully, a few more coaches were added to help keep student-athlete to coach ratios within league requirements.

Craig mentioned that there may be an issue with a payment made to Lake Country Meats back in the 2019 season. We have proof of payment but a communication error between the owner and his son has created some tension. Derek will follow up and resolve.

Derek will check with Josh Kleve at NICA MN League office about any changes or improvements we should consider for Brophy for a 2021 race.

### Group Rides:

Socially distanced group rides were held for road, gravel, and fat bike. No reports of issues or problems. There was an organized century ride held in September with good turnout.

A Fat Bike organizational meeting will be held November 16<sup>th</sup>.

### Insurance:

Craig has been on top of the insurance issues and worked with Bonnie on payments. He noted that membership went down slightly from 106 in 2019, to 101 so far for 2020, not surprising during the pandemic.

### New Business for next meeting:

We need to make a decision on how Derek's stipend donation will be used for the 2021 AAYC season (reduction of fees, etc).

Adjourned at 7:57 PM

(submitted by Bryan Swenson)