

Velo Cruces Board Meeting
Minutes from Thursday 22 June 2017
International Delights

In attendance: Creamer, Huber, Pearson, Rochelle, D and L Wilson

Absent: Conway, Lakey, Schurr, Willman

Guests: Nathan Craig, new to the community, cycling advocate and activist

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Stephanie Vargas – working with Parks and Rec Dept. on Learn to Ride Program

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5:50 PM I. Call to Order, Minutes and Communications

MSC (L Wilson, Creamer) to approve minutes of 27 April 2017 meeting with one change:
Skorpion to Scorpio Bike Club

MSC (D Wilson, Creamer) to approve minutes of 22 May 2017 meeting with one change:
369 likes on facebook, not 269

Facebook “likes” have advanced to 374 this month.

II. Formation of committees and staffing

1. Fundraising and membership – decided to split into two committees with the following personnel: fundraising – L Willman; membership – Creamer (chair), D Wilson, R Huber
2. Community Bike Shop and Earn-a-Bike programs – decided to join these efforts together under one committee, including the following personnel: D Wilson, L Wilson, G Rochelle, and others from community, e.g. Blake Stogner

III. 12 July Bike Swap – the consensus decision was to abandon the 12 July date and, instead, go in with the Aggie Expo at NMSU on the 16th September from 1 – 4 PM. Creamer will keep us informed on this matter and we committed to the date and the event.

IV. Buck Moon Pick-Up ride is scheduled for July 8th for our group only so no publicity. The group will meet at the City Plaza at 9:00 PM and ride a circuit to include Bosque, Spotted Dog, and High Desert Breweries. George will publicize this via Facebook.

V. Pending items/new business

1. Jingle Bell Ride and Toys for Tots – Henry Gil seemed interested in joining our forces, especially since we were so well organized last year. Date for this would be the usual first Sunday in December (the 2nd). We will try for an organizing meeting in August. Rochelle will be the point person to contact Henry.
2. Bike pump program tabled until a future meeting but we retain the idea. Nathan offered a name, “Bike Samaritans,” which the board liked.
3. Request to schedule some visibility rides in the evening was met with a proposal and agreement to ride in connection with our July meeting. We will assemble at Burrell

College of Osteopathic Medicine at 5:15 PM on 27 July and ride to International Delights for the board meeting.

4. NMSU Department of Public Health Sciences grant orientation meeting Friday, 30 June. This is apparently an info meeting on how to apply for grants through the U. George will ask Jean Conway if she can attend; the rest of us are unable to attend.
5. Parks and Rec's Learn to Ride Program – guest Stephanie explained that the program is for children 3 – 10 in particular. We suggested that a logical partner is Ashleigh Curry with Safe Routes to School, and we also will fold her program in with the Bike Swap at the Aggie Expo in September, if possible.
6. Bike repair events organized by others:
 - i. United Health Care 24 June – no one had info on this
 - ii. Cruces Creatives Fix-It Fair July 1 9-12 at the Moose Lodge
7. Electric Light Parade is Monday 3 July ca. 7:00 PM – They requested cycle escorts and Creamer, Huber, Pearson, D and L Wilson will serve, beginning from the Meerscheidt Rec Center on Hadley.
8. SNMTA grant letter of support – consensus was to stand in support of the Trail Association's grant request. Pearson will draft a letter and send it on in the Board's name.

VI. Adjournment was at 7:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Gabriel Rochelle, secretary