

Board Meeting – Tuesday, January 22nd 2019
Big Ole Bike Club
Caribou North, Alexandria

Board members present:

- Jeff Brand
- Kari Burow
- Corey Halstead
- Bryan Swenson
- Craig Andrews (past president)
- Scott Deitz

Other Members present:

- none

Meeting called to order at ~7:05 PM

BOBC Jerseys:

Progress is being made on the new design for the club's road jersey. Craig presented design updates for the board to review.

Significant discussion lead to the following design decisions:

- The Big Ole figure will have the appropriate dark beard
- Front Big Ole will be "filled out" to show proper shoulder width
- Front Big Ole will be shortened at the bottom so only upper ~half of the shield will show, and will have no writing within the half shield
- Horizontal bars enclosing Big Ole Bike Club will stay
- The spear will be positioned more accurately
- The short sleeves will be blue
- The two outside back pockets will show logos for Mountaineers and ROC, the middle pocket will show a fat bike
- No BOBC website address will be shown

The purpose of the color choices is sun-land-water (or yellow-green-blue). Yellow is more predominant in the new design for better road visibility.

The board decided not to pursue the tech top ("free-ride") MTB jersey at this time. Likely we will pursue getting a design through Carrie at Cowing-Robards, and they will not be yellow.

Craig will meet with Logan at Jake's Bikes to discuss providing road jerseys to club members and the public. The board wants members to physically visit Jake's new location. Except for design, the board is willing to turn over control to Logan at Jake's, including pricing and inventory control, so no money transfers between Jake's and BOBC is required

Financials:

Kari is working on submitting the Federal 990 on-line forms.

Kari reported details about positive balances for all accounts, including news of an extremely generous anonymous donation to the Mountaineers.

Because the Mountaineer account has a healthy balance going into the 2019 season even without the donation, the board felt the significant donation should be earning interest. Craig suggested that the excess funds could be invested at a 0.85% rate at the Alexandria Schools Employees Credit Union. All that would be required would be setting up a BOBC account for a one-time \$5 fee, with two cosigners specified. Funds would be accessible anytime without penalty. Corey made a motion that BOBC invest the donation in the interest earning account at ASECU, Scott seconded. Much discussion followed, the vote was called, passed unanimously. Corey and Scott will be the club co-signors, Craig will initiate setting up the account, and Kari gave Craig a check for the exact amount of the donation made out to ASECU. The account will be in place in the next few days. Kari will set up a separate ledger to track the funds.

Derek Chinn, Mountaineers assistant head coach, is now responsible for the team debit card.

Chris Olson, ALP financial guy, will be able to conduct a financial audit of BOBC very soon. Just the timing details need to be finalized.

Insurance:

Insurance for the new Mountaineers equipment trailer was again discussed. April at Bilmark does not have any options that will work due to the non-profit ownership of the trailer. Jeff asked for suggestions. Corey mentioned that Derek Chinn, Mountaineers assistant head coach, has taken a volunteer position with the Minnesota High School Cycling League. Jeff will ask Derek to inquire about how other teams manage this issue.

Rider insurance was not discussed, but Craig continues to pursue options through The League of American Bicyclists. (He received info from them the day after this meeting and it will be discussed at our next meeting).

Mountaineer Trailer Wrap:

Corey reported that the first meeting of the Trailer Wrap group is scheduled for tomorrow night (January 23rd). Besides Corey and Lynn, the group will include one or two representatives from BOBC (Jeff B, Scott), Mountaineer parents (Steve Suchy and ?) and Mountaineer coaches (Jeff P and Derek). Again, the goal is to have the wrap completed for the BOBC Spring Gathering.

Remind App:

Corey mentioned members being pushed texts with ride and other info via Verizon smart phones will need to download and install the Remind app. A Remind text was then generated and sent. This does not affect other service providers.

The Remind app provides instant updates to members including: Mellow Monday, Gravel, Fat Bike, Mountaineers Practice, and Mountaineers Parents.

Board Membership:

Derek Chinn will be asked to attend the next board meeting. Possibly attend twice annually, early spring, and late fall after Mountaineers season concludes.

Adjourned at 8:00

(submitted by Bryan Swenson)