

Board Meeting – Tuesday, November 5th 2019  
Big Ole Bike Club  
FALL GATHERING  
Elks Club, Alexandria

Board members present:

- Jeff Brand
- Kari Burow
- Bryan Swenson
- Craig Andrews (past president, now Communications Director)
- Scott Deitz

General membership meeting, looked to be about 30 additional members present.

Jeff called to order at ~7:00 PM, after everyone got in on the excellent food

#### Insurance:

Craig gave a brief recap of how the member benefit personal insurance worked for 2019. All members thought it was a good idea to continue with it as is in 2020. Annual dues were increased slightly in 2019 to cover part of the cost, and will stay the same for 2020. No incidents reported where the coverage has been used so far this year.

#### New Board Position:

Jeff mentioned that the board decided to create a new board position for an IT support/communications person. Consensus among the membership was that this is a great move, and that past-president Craig Andrews is the logical member. Welcome back officially Craig!

#### Financials:

Kari reported that the BOBC, AAYC and ROC accounts are all in the black and that we are fully in compliance with our 501 (c) 3 obligations. She shared with the membership news of a generous donation from Terry Kennedy. Finally, Kari would like to step down as treasurer, and is asking any member interested in the board position to contact her or Jeff.

#### Cycling Classes through Community Ed:

Jeff thanked Derek Chinn and Ryan Hughes for putting on several “how to mountain bike” classes at Brophy Park through Community Ed. Plans are underway for Spring 2020 to do another beginner class, as well as an intermediate class. There is also initial talk about some bike maintenance classes for over the winter.

#### Club Support from Local Bike Shops:

Jake Capristant expressed thanks to the club members, coaches, and the county for dedication to area youth through the AAYC Mountaineers. We all feel the same Jake!

#### AAYC Mountaineers season recap:

Jeff Pokorney, Mountaineers Head coach reported on another successful season. Cold wet weather made for challenging practices and resulted in the cancellation of several high school races. The switch from Division II to Division I also presented some challenges. It was just announced that Alexandria will be hosting the first NICA race of the season next year, due in no small part to ROC, AAYC and BOBC involvement. The date is August 29-30<sup>th</sup> at Brophy Park, with a potential for 1,000 student athletes here racing, and a local economic impact expected to be around \$600,000.

#### Possible Alexandria Triathlon in 2020:

Jeff P noted that initial planning is underway for a triathlon at Brophy Park in early August 2020 (same time as the former Glenwood tri). Jillian Reiner is heading up the event. Jeff, as well as Bryan Swenson have been asked to help plan. It will likely be a paddle-bike-run event.

#### Trail Building (ROC):

Jeff gave a report on MTB trail-building plans for both Kensington Runestone Park and Brophy Park. Cooperation with the county and local businesses have been phenomenal.

#### Winter Fat Bike Group Rides:

Jeff mentioned that the fat bike group rides will commence Monday night November 18<sup>th</sup>. Members should check the website for schedule and how to receive the group text.

#### YMCA Turkey Day 5K bike support:

Craig mentioned that the Y has again contacted us for bike support for the Thanksgiving Day 5K. Bryan will coordinate with 3 other volunteers.

#### Winter BOBC Spin Classes at YMCA:

Craig talked about the continuation of BOBC Spin starting after the first of the year through Easter. Free to Y members, \$5 to non-Y members.

Adjourned at ~8:00 PM

(submitted by Bryan Swenson)