



## Simon Kenton Pathfinders

### Minutes from Membership Meeting at Urbana Depot

Thursday, April 6, 2023 @7:00 p.m.

The monthly meeting was called to order by President Jim Cook at 7:01 p.m.

**Attendance:** Ward Lutz, Pete Kenton, Tamisha Matus, Nolan Conley, Beth McCain, Steve Cayot, Dorothy Case, Doug Crabill, Connie Bradshaw, Gary Bradshaw, Carmen Scott, Rob Dwyer, Jim Cook, and Dianne Burroughs.

**Additions/Corrections to the Agenda:** Jim Cook asked that we add “Miami Valley Cycling Summit” as item 4c. The motion to accept the agenda as corrected was made by Dorothy Case, was seconded by Tamisha Matus, and it passed unanimously.

#### **Announcements:**

- a. Board members were asked to please stay for a few minutes after adjournment to discuss our next steps.
- b. A reminder was given regarding the Finance Committee and SKP Board joint meeting on Thursday, April 20.
- c. The Miami Valley Cycling Summit will be held May 19 at the downtown Dayton Metro Library. It’s free and open to the public, with many great sessions and much to learn.

#### **Reports:**

- a. **President:** Candidates for President and Vice President are still needed. Doug Crabill announced that he is resigning as of June 30 as Vice President, but he will continue on the Finance Committee.
- b. **Secretary:** A correction was offered to the Announcements item c. of the March minutes, changing WPTO to WPKO. A motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Ward Lutz, seconded by Carmen Scott, and it passed unanimously.
- c. **Treasurer:** Two handouts were available to members: “Balance Sheet Previous Year Comparison as of March 31, 2023” and “Profit & Loss Previous Year Comparison, January through March 2023.” Doug Crabill reported that these reports are unofficial, because the March bank statement just arrived, but are generally accurate. Bill Boy CPA is catching up, and Doug and Rob are working on the bank statements. A motion to accept the finance report as presented was made by Tamisha Matus, seconded by Dorothy Case, and it passed unanimously.
- d. **Website:** Doug Crabill reported that the website has been updated to show our Save the Date information and to list Rob Dwyer as our treasurer.

e. **Facebook:** Tamisha Matus reported that she will be adding information on our FB page next week regarding our Celebrate Trails Day event.

f. **Membership:** No report was given.

g. **Maintenance Committee:**

1. Trail Clean-up Day on Saturday, April 1: Twelve SKP members worked to collect two pickup truckloads of trash on Saturday morning. Thanks to all who helped! Work still needs to be on Railroad Street. Urbana High School students might do this as a service project; Jim will contact them.
2. North Trail: A couple of trees came down, but it has been cleaned up. It needs to be blown clean, and the stacked wood needs to be pushed further back from the trail. There is a gauge on the trail approaching the second bridge south of 296 - perhaps having been done by a garden tractor - that will need repair.
3. Urbana City Trails: The Urbana trails look good, with very little trash. The city is removing an old telephone pole that fell down.
4. South Trail: Ward Lutz reported that there was a tree on the trail, but he cleaned it up. Regular grass mowing will be started, and Ward is creating the work schedule. The city's boom mowing has yet to be done as they are still waiting on a part coming from Germany.
5. Depot area: Susan Oelker feels the Depot floor needs refinishing, and this would be our responsibility. The last work it received was a cleaning and waxing. Jim Cook is getting an estimate from Joe McConnell of Floor & Restore, but we need more companies to bid on it. He asked for our suggestions. Doug Crabill reported that tomorrow the city is starting on repairs to Miami Street, and that this would be a good time to refinish our floors. A paving bid from ODOT is due next week, and the work should be done this July.

h. **Bike Tour updates:**

1. Save the Date cards and posters were distributed to members for disbursement.
2. Registration will open some time early this month.

#### **Action Items:**

- a. Snyder's maintenance agreement for the Depot furnace: The furnace is a SKP responsibility. Snyder's will charge \$295/year for a service agreement that includes a Spring and a Fall cleaning and easy to do maintenance repairs, with a 20% discount on bigger repairs. A motion to sign this maintenance agreement with Snyder's was made by Rob Dwyer, seconded by Gary Bradshaw, and it passed unanimously. Doug Crabill will handle the contract.

**New Business:** None were reported.

#### **Old Business:**

- a. Updates from Champaign County Economic Partnership: The bike repair station should arrive today at the YMCA. We will need volunteers for the Celebrate Trails Day on Saturday, April 22, at the YMCA trailhead and at the Depot from 9:00 a.m. until Noon. The right-of-way signage may not be done in time, but Jim Cook will get a crew to install it and the repair station. Speakers for this event are Jim Cook, Paul Waldsmith of the Y, and Beth McCain. The Spotted

Cow is serving refreshments. Dorothy will be asking John Kauffman to photograph this event. Tables will be needed for the helmets, and Tamisha needs @5 volunteers from SKP. It was decided there will be no bike raffle at this event. Beth McCain will write an article for the Urbana Citizen prior to the event.

**Open Forum:**

- a. Flowerpots: Khristine Pickering will again be coordinating this. Teresa Cook and Dianne Burroughs will be planting and maintaining the four flowerpots in front of the Depot, and Dorothy Case will be doing the same pots as she did last year. Tamisha Matus volunteered to do the four pots that Janine Evans had done last year, and she offered to give away a lot of seeds to us.

**Adjournment:** The motion to adjourn was made by Pete Kenton, seconded by Tamisha Matus, and it passed unanimously at 8:03 p.m.

**Next meeting: Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the Depot**

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Burroughs, Recording Secretary