

Simon Kenton Pathfinders
Minutes from Membership Meeting @ Urbana Depot
Thursday, September 7, 2023 @7:00 p.m.

The monthly meeting was called to order by President Jim Cook at 7:02 p.m.

Attendance: Jim Cook, Lloyd Manchester, Bonnie Manchester, Gary Bradshaw, Dave Martin, Teresa Cook, Kristine Pickering, Carolyn Miller, Tamisha Matus, Doug Crabill, Dorothy Case, Ward Lutz, Nancy Lokai Baldwin, Rob Dwyer, and Dianne Burroughs.

Additions/Corrections to the Agenda: A motion to accept the agenda as presented was made by Tamisha Matus, was seconded by Dorothy Case, and it passed unanimously.

Announcements: none

Reports:

President: No report was presented.

Secretary: A motion to accept the August 3 minutes as presented was made by Ward Lutz, was seconded by Tamisha Matus, and it passed unanimously.

Treasurer: A motion to accept the financial report as of July 31 was made by Dorothy Case, was seconded by Gary Bradshaw, and it passed unanimously.

Website: Doug Crabill reported that the minutes and the Ride GPS information has been updated.

Facebook: Jim Cook was able to pin all three of the bike route maps.

Membership: No report was available.

Maintenance:

North Trail: Ward Lutz blew off the trail today, and it looks good.

Urbana City Trail: No information was available.

South Trail: Ward Lutz will blow off the trail tomorrow. The \$500 new trail counter is on back order; it will replace one that was vandalized. Jim Cook reported that the SKP Board approved the purchase of a new Ventrac for a coop price. Delivery will be after the bike tour, and a light bar will be added for safety. We will sell the old 2000 model, because its many repairs have cost us too much money. We can keep the mower deck for use on the new Ventrac.

Depot Area: The flower boxes are looking good. The landscaping and trimming work done by Flora Landscaping looks great. Dave Jensen put new fluorescent lights and ballasts in the basement. The basement storage area is very dirty, a fire hazard, and will need to be cleaned before winter.

Bike Tour: Sunday, September 10 (Set-up on Saturday 9/9)

Sponsorships and Registrations: The sponsorships haven't changed. Registrations are at 198 riders: 52 for the 15-mile ride, 78 for the 31-mile ride, 40 for the 62-mile ride, and 28 for the virtual. Hemet fittings will be done by Tamisha Matus and her friend/boss, Shawn. Registration fees and donations amount to \$6160.

Routes: The routes are posted on Facebook, our website, on paper copies at registration, and QR codes will have them posted at porta pots and sag stops. The 15-mile route is on the south bike trail only. The 31-mile route is on the south bike trail, but then it continues through Clark County. The 62-mile route follows the 31-miler but continues north through Logan County. Ride with GPS is a very cool, helpful, and user-friendly app.

Food Trucks: Lunch will be available at the Depot, La Granja Mexican Food Truck, and Fresh Harvest Food Truck starting at 10:30 a.m. Riders will be given a \$5 off coupon for use at any of these establishments. Jim Cook will redeem these coupons at 3:30. Leigh Ann of Fresh Harvest told Dianne Burroughs that she wanted to park her trailer along the road on Saturday night as she would be working the Hot Air Balloon Festival that day. Doug Crabill wants her to know that there is a danger of being cited for the trailer being on the road without a truck. Also, the danger of being sideswiped is considerable.

Needs/Issues: Volunteers needed are: one traffic person 9-11:00 am, one walk-in registration floater, Sag person at Cedar Bog 10-12:00 pm, and another greeter (maybe). Pressure washing or blowing off the dirt at the Depot patio will be done by Jim Cook on Friday. Saturday at 5:30 p.m. is the set-up date, and many hands will be needed. The parking lot at the Depot will be saved for regular Depot customers. Bike Tour parking will start at the old Johnson's Manufacturing lot, then at All Phase, then at the Orbis lot. All the equipment needed has been found. Susan Oelker of the Depot will be providing free coffee and muffins for registrants starting at 7:30 a.m. Bolder Design is making our T-shirts.

Action Items: none

New Business: none

Old Business:

Bike Raffle: The Schwinn Super Sport bicycle donated by the family of Barry Nisonger is being raffled to support SKP. The bike has been on display for the past month at the Depot, and many tickets have already been sold. The drawing for the winning ticket will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Open Forum: none

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made at 8:08 p.m. by Tamisha Matus, was seconded by Doug Crabill, and it passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 5, 2023 @7:00 p.m. at the Depot.

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Burroughs, Secretary