

Wheeling Wheelmen

ZOOM BOARD MEETING

May 3, 2021 at 7:00pm

Present: George Karpen, Neal Barg, Johannes Smits, Emily Qualich, MJ Drouganis, Scott Assmann, Ella Shields and Groups.io moderator, Jim Boyer.

The meeting was called or order by George at 7:05 p.m.

We discussed Jim Boyer's Membership Info Protection proposal and thanked him for all his hard work. We again discussed taking off people's phone numbers and email addresses from newsletters. George said they put the newsletters on the website to preserve them but no real way to take that info off. He talked about making the website private so members need to sign in to get information. Jim stated the memo really covers the groups.io, and it gives direction to whoever takes over the job in the future. Some of the memo may be used in our Constitution but it's really more for governing issues.

Membership:

Emily stated we have 179 members. Johannes showed us on financial report that we are actually ahead on membership over last year at this time.

Harmon:

George read his email from contact at hosting site – but we still had no date. After much discussion, on volunteers, chairmen, and time to organize, we took a vote on cancelling for this year, 4 members (majority) voted against having it so it is cancelled for 2021.

George asked if we wanted to keep it in Wilmot next year or go with MCC, we unanimously voted to try for MCC. We suggested when George talks with Katherine again to try and lock in next year's usual date in September.

George stated that with his Achilles tendon injury he would not be around much this year until perhaps September. He hopes that is ok with everyone or he will step down.

Other Business:

Johannes stated he now has the security certificate installed on the website. He went over the website and showed a lot of changes he has made. (Thanks Johannes)

Emily asked how we can get more members engaged. Neal suggested a social gathering in June or July at Joanie's in Long Grove after a Sunday ride. It has a covered deck we can reserve; cost would be about \$12 per person. We would require pre sign up and pre pay, no day of event walk in as we need to give the restaurant a count. The club may supplement the cost. Ella suggested some after Sunday meet up's in Long Grove at the brewery or a restaurant. Neal also suggested stopping at Broken Oar for lunch during a ride.

We discussed having the banquet if Covid restrictions open up to Phase 5. We agreed on it, just a matter of finding a place. Ella will check with Joe Beemster on his clubhouse, which we've used in the past for many years.

Ella had two items: Ride IL Ride Guide - Since we are not doing the Harmon we need to revise our ad, which Scott will handle. Emily suggested we advertise the club in it. We also still have an account with Mail Chimp. It has been on hold, but the hold may be up soon, we will just leave it alone until we hear from them.

MJ brought up jerseys. Scott would like to revise them a bit and design a logo. If we proceed he would need everything by the end of the year to get the kits by March, they will look into vendors, Borah was mentioned since they are in Wisconsin.

Emily asked that ride schedule be updated with Harmon changes, we discussed having a joint ride with MCBC on the date we had planned the Harmon, 8/1. George will send Neal the contact info for Dan his contact at the club and to and arrange the ride.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Submitted by Ella Shields