2015 Summer Meeting: Club Business, 2016 Planning
September 26th, 2015; 9:00 AM
Lima YMCA
(meeting notes in BLUE)

-Old Business

June Meeting minutes (John)

Membership enrollment count (Dave/John): 37?

Club Jerseys – Sold Out (Dave)

-Reminder to represent your club and fellow club members well, especially when in jerseys

-New Business

1. Treasurer report (Dave) Balance of $5124.45 as of August statement.

2. Fall Ride Schedule (Dan/Jay)
   -October 10th combined ride with Hancock Handlebars for lunch to Bluffton/around Bluffton
   -Trying time/location/distance more this fall vs mapped route schedule>>considering more of this in 2016 More flexibility is needed in the ride schedule. We will try mapped and unmapped rides through the fall with the plan for more balance in 2016. It’s a difficult balance and we need to offer rides that appeal to all of our members. That means some long, some short, some faster, some slower, some mapped and some unmapped days. All of these things and more have been requested by various members. Ride departure time waiting was also discussed. It was agreed to that rides are not obligated to wait 10 minutes past the posted start time. It’s recommended that riders present gather at the start time and roll out when ready after a brief ride discussion for plans/etc. Up to 5 minutes is reasonable. It’s recommended that if you are planning to ride and might be late, let someone else know you are coming and give an update as you are on your way. Or contact the ride leader if something unplanned happens such as a train or accident, etc. Expect more prompt departures for group rides going forward. If someone is coming late, potentially ride to meet them or leave a stronger rider or two behind to ride them up to the group. That’s how these things can be handled in the future. Contact any of the TRR directors with questions if necessary about this topic.

   -Ride leaders We need ride leader volunteers, but we also realize it’s difficult considering everyone’s schedules, abilities and other issues. Having online maps available and communicating more through text/Facebook/email has helped and somewhat taken the place of a ride leader(s). All members are expected to look out for each other.

   -On-going safety issues: wheel crossing and left of center riding>>>Don’t do either! Our club safety is getting better, but always continue to improve. Wheel crossing causes a lot of accidents and injuries. There’s no reason to do it. Two feet or more is recommended between riders/bikes in every direction. Continue to follow safe stop sign, traffic light and other intersection procedures. Do not roll through stop lights without coming to a full stop.
3. Community involvement and cycling projects (Jay)  
This is difficult in our area, but we continue to take up whatever opportunities come our way.
- Ohio HB 154: 3 Feet to Pass, still working through legislature…we should be active about promoting it locally once/if it passes. Advocate with community promotion, law enforcement and advertisement: bill board, signs, commercials, etc.
- Youth Bike Rodeos continue to be hosted by Regional Planning, we’ll help when possible

4. TRR Bylaws and Directors:
-nominations are open for all director positions, volunteers are also welcome, we can add a position to the board such as co-ride scheduler; Nominations to close one week after meeting, voting as needed
John Point has resigned his position of club secretary. Many thanks to John for his 4+ years of service. Nominations were open for one week. Tammie Joseph accepted a nomination by Renee Droll and was the only secretary nomination. Tammie will be our club secretary and a director on the board going forward into 2016. All other directors will remain for 2016.
-Bylaws will begin to be re-written for club approval in 2016, looking for interest to help and/or review prior to club presentation. The board directors will oversee the new by-laws. Our club has stabilized its identity and purpose in the last year and a proper document that can guide us may now be written. Anticipating 2-4 pages of club guidelines and governance to be created. Any member can contact Mark or Jay to help.

5. Limaland Tour 2016: (Jay/Mark)
-Tour Chair Person(s) and all sub-committees are open; first come, first choice; All positions open, board of directors will take on tasks as they come due until volunteers come forward.
-Primary tasks include: routes/venue coordination, advertisement/media, website/registration/flyers, various pre-tour and day of volunteers, general planning All of these tasks need members to take the lead to complete. Contact Mark or Jay to start.
-Goals by Year End: Start location finalized, initial sponsor planning, contact to other clubs/groups, info for large advertisement signs/banners. Considering the Y or Ottawa Metro for start location. Need to keep the Bellefontaine/Elm roundabout project status in mind. Looking for sponsors. Also considering what group/cause to potentially partner with. Open to ideas and information immediately. Expect a tour meeting or two before year end.

Ride to follow meeting if not raining. (No bike info discussion due to heavy topic load)