



2018 Fall Meeting Minutes

October 13th, 2018; 9:00 AM YMCA Chapel Room

Present: Jay Salge, Jama Salge & boys, Renee Droll, Mark Droll, Tim Heinz, Nelson Morales, Fabio Leite, John Safian, Rick Lee, Ken Simmers, Rodger Rex, Randy Ingram, David Pauff, Juergen Waldick, Tammie Joseph

-Old Business

-Previous Meeting Minutes – Tammie reviewed a short version of the minutes from June 9th and said the minutes to the meetings are online

-Membership enrollment update – Tim and Tammie reported that there are 79 members

-Picnic review – The picnic was a success. There were 20 attendees and it was a good time. Suggestions for next year's picnic: 1) set an exact time for eating, 2) plan the picnic for the last River Walk Ride of the season 3) try to reserve the bigger pavilion

-New Business

1. Treasurer Report – Tim passed out and reviewed the updated treasury report. Jay reviewed the club's insurance policy. Jay also stated that we keep 4K – 6K in our account at all times. Usually 4-5 years of reserves. This is in case our tour is rained out. Tour expenses are approximately \$1,500 - \$2,000. If we know of any donors who would like to support the club let Jay know.

2. Rides and Schedule: Fall schedule is on website, we can still add ride leaders.

a) Review/comments for all 2018 rides.

- Decided to continue the Rotary Roll Ride and make it a Family Ride. Group suggested that we schedule the ride for the 1st Saturday of each month instead of every Saturday in the months May through September.
- We decided to continue the Casual Tuesday Ride and to start them when we start the Thursday rides on the schedule.
- Decided to continue the Friday morning rides in 2019. John Simindinger is still interested in leading the morning rides.

b) Other ride or safety issues –

- We need to be more organized. When we have several groups riding, there needs to be a definite split off. (i.e. those riding 16-18 mph need to break away and those who cannot keep up need to get back with the second group so everyone stays together. It is very dangerous when there are individual riders by themselves and not with the groups.
- Do not overlap wheels/cross wheel when following another rider
- Use hand signals and talk
- Stop behind traffic when at a red light. Do not proceed to the front by riding beside cars.
- Do not ride left of center
- No rules concerning pace lines for this club

- Rick Lee suggested that the ride leader review a check list of safety guidelines before each ride. (Safety Briefing)
- Don't assume that everyone knows how to ride in a group. Teach the new riders.
- When at a stop sign we need to talk. It isn't safe for some to go and some to stay. Go together as a group.
- Don't trust the drivers turn signals – be careful and don't assume they are turning
- Group to focus on safety in 2019

c) Any interest for bike skills practice, safety and/or youth ride teaching?

- Send members to organized safety events and bring it back to the group and teach what they learned
- Have a skills and safety session before rides for the riders to learn

d) We are anticipating a new ride/event scheduler(s) for 2019. The ride schedule is always reviewed by the board. The scheduler(s) should be a member of the board. Let someone know if you are interested. Tim already has the 2019 schedule started.

3. Community Involvement: Public Group Rides, Bike and Pedestrian Task Force update, Move Safe Campaign update – yard signs available! Do we want to organize a club volunteer day at the Wheel House?

- The club bought yard signs so take one or two and place them in your yard for place of business.
- Juergen passed out Allen County “Move Safe” lights.
- We are educating the public with billboard messages.
- We plan to have a volunteer day at Wheel House in 2019.

4. TRR Directors: John Simindinger will resign his director position in 2019. Any volunteers interested to join the club board? Ride schedule volunteers? In order to join the board you have to be a member for one year. Current members are: Jay, Mark, Tim, Nelson, John Safian, John Simindinger, Fabio Leite and Tammie Joseph.

5. Limaland Tour Updates: Tour set for Saturday June 15th, 2019. Mark and Tammie will co-chair our tour in 2019. The UAW Hall on Bible Rd. is reserved for the 2019 tour. We need members to volunteer and start getting sponsorships at the beginning of January.

6. TRR Club Jersey Review – Tim showed us the new designs for the 2019 jerseys. The members present voted and we will have a new design that is quite different from the last jersey. Tim and Ascend did a great job on the new design.

7. **Special Topic:** Jay gave a very informative talk on *Cycling Data Recording: Computers, Monitors and Apps*.