The following notes were taken at the regular Board meeting on February 22, 2009 for the Arlington Heights Bicycle Club.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM at the Van Dornick's home in Rolling Meadows. Those in attendance were: Al Gibbs, Club President; David and Christine Van Dornick, Vice presidents and ride chairs; Mitch Polonsky, Club treasurer; and Gary Gilbert, Club publicity coordinator.

The Treasurer reported the following totals: Checking \$995 and Money Market account \$28,939.

There was no official membership report. There are approximately 60 members paid to date for 2009.

There are no specific dates set for the Club picnic or the banquet. The goal for the banquet is to have no conflict with the Wheeling Wheelman banquet so members who are part of both groups will have an opportunity to attend both functions.

Bike Swap: The Club has received the permit to use Centennial Park from the Arlington Heights Park District. The club has received the application for use of a room in Riley School for the office/break area. This application will be returned to School District 21 along with the current copy of the insurance policy. We need to work on SWAP Flyers and check other supplies and order as needed. Dave and Christine will make certain that the yellow bibs are repaired as necessary.

The Arlington 500: Gary has sent the flyers for the 500 to various organizations and sent to area bike clubs via e mail. The organizations are:

Silent Sports Magazine www.silentsports.net <a href="http://www.silentsports.net/">http://www.silentsports.net/</a>

Windy City Sports Magazine www.windycitysports.com <a href="http://www.windycitysports.com/">http://www.windycitysports.com/</a>

Chicago Athlete Magazine www.mychicagoathlete.com <a href="http://www.mychicagoathlete.com/">http://www.mychicagoathlete.com/</a>

Active Transportation Alliance (aka CBF) www.activetrans.org <a href="http://www.activetrans.org/">http://www.activetrans.org/</a>

League of Illinois Bicyclists www.bikelib.com <a href="http://www.bikelib.com/">http://www.bikelib.com/</a>

Timeout Chicago www.timeout.com/chicago

Mike Bentley www.mikebentley.com <a href="http://www.mikebentley.com/">http://www.mikebentley.com/</a>

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**New Business** 

The Board discussed the issue of expanding the Club Board to 7 members rather than 4 members at present. The purpose would be to get more people involved with the decision making process, to provide new ideas, and to provide better communication between the general membership and the board. In order to increase the number of board members, the bylaws will need to be upgraded. The Board approved the increase in board members to 7 members. This issue will be brought to the general membership for approval at the February 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

There was discussion to possibly subsidize the cost of a club item such as a tyvek jacket or similar item. Mitch is looking into a potential source to get an overall cost for a jacket. This issue will be subject to a review of the club's financial balance following the SWAP and the 500.

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine Van Dornick Acting secretary