AHBC Board Meeting Minutes from March 28, 2012

The meeting was called to order by Vince Kelley at 6:32pm.

Board members present were:

- Vince Kelley, President;
- Christine Van Dornick, Co-Vice President and Ride Chair;
- Alan Gibbs, Treasurer;
- Paula Matzek, Membership Chair;
- Ford Sakata, Secretary;
- Tom Drabant, Member at-large;
- Dave Martin, Swap Chair; and
- Several regular members.

Approval of February Meeting Minutes

Vince asked for a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved with no changes.

Financial Report (Alan Gibbs)

Alan provided a financial report. The Club funds on hand include: \$29,556.56 in our money market account and \$2,853.07 in checking. Recent expenditures included:

o Arlington 500 tri-fold brochures for the League of Illinois Bicyclists mailing \$492

Membership Report (Paula Matzek)

Paula reported that 132 households submitted membership dues representing 178 individual members compared to 194 in members in 2011. This includes 12 new households for 2012.

Ride Report (Christine Van Dornick)

Christine reported that regular ride schedule has been posted to the website for rides through March. Tuesday and Wednesday evening rides would start with the first week of April.

Ride Leader Training - Tom Drabant noted that three people have signed up for the April 14th ride leader training. Christine will offer ride leader training for those interested in leading advanced rides that same day.

Meet and Greet Rides - Dates were set for two Meet and Greet rides. On these days, all three rides (Leisure, Intermediate and Advanced) would leave from Frontier Park at the same time to allow new members to meet other members. Dates for the two rides are May 12, 2012 at 8:30am and August 18, 2012 prior to the Progressive Dinner ride.

Sunday Rides – Paula reported that the MPBC will be having Sunday intermediate level rides and will offer AHBC members mileage credit.

Program Review (Ford for Debbie)

Debbie has arranged for author Greg Borzo to speak at the April meeting and club member Alan Medsker to speak at the May meeting. Debbie will issue announcement to members.

SWAP Planning (Dave Martin)

Planning is on schedule and the website for pre-registration will be live on or about April 1st. All rides on April 21st will stop at Dave's house for training.

Arlington 500 Planning (Alan Gibbs)

Planning is also on schedule for the 500 however it was noted that 3 or 4 additional water/Gatorade dispensers were needed. Last year, there were lines because there were periods of time when we could not keep the dispensers full. Member Jack Thomas indicated that he had some that he could loan the club. Additional tables would also be needed for the additional dispensers.

Membership Survey (Ford Sakata)

Ford reported that the membership survey has been created using Survey Monkey and reviewed the proposed questions with the Board. The Board endorsed the survey which would be sent out before the end of the year with member responses requested by January 15th. This will allow time to compile the results for presentation to the membership at the January 25th regular membership meeting. Results will be used to develop the 2012 calendar and planned activities.

Miscellaneous Items (All)

- Storage Unit Rental a member submitted a recommendation that the club rent a small storage unit to store all club owned equipment, e.g. tents, road markers, etc., to ensure that the equipment is readily available at all times. Vince agreed to research storage rental costs for discussion at a future Board meeting.
- Hard Shell Bike Travel Case another member recommended that the club purchase a pair of bike travel cases to either rent or loan to members for travel. Vince agreed to research case prices for discussion at a future Board meeting
- Westgate Elementary School Earth Day Christine agreed to represent the club at the school Earth Day celebration to promote cycling and the bike swap. Lynn Sakata volunteered to help with the April 19 evening event.
- Thank You from Joyce Lewis Joyce contacted the club to say thank you for sponsoring a brick at Memorial Park in honor of Merritt Lewis.

The board meeting adjourned at 7:25pm and was followed by the regular membership meeting which featured a hands-on bike repair clinic.

Respectfully submitted, Ford Sakata Secretary

Known key dates include:

- Bike Swap April 28, 2012
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 Ride of Silence May 16, 2012
 Arlington 500 May 20, 2012
 Picnic July 15, 2012
 Progressive Dinner August 18
 Banquet November 17, 2012