

Bike to the Future, Special Directors Meeting -- minutes

Wednesday, November 21st, 2007 5:30pm, Eco-Centre

Present: Mark Cohoe, Rob Cosco, Ben Goldstein, Karin Kliewer, David Wieser, Kevin Miller, Curt Hull, Dave Elmore, Jeremy Hull, Jackie Avent, Molly McCracken.

Regrets: Cory Bellhouse

Dealing with Media Questions

What should BTTF say when asked about Critical Mass?

On this, we decided that we should be clear that we are not Critical Mass, and that we cannot speak for them. Having said that, we should redirect the question and talk about Bike to the Future and our goals and policies.

On Trails vs. On-road Infrastructure

Bike to the Future is focused on the development of on-road infrastructure connected throughout the city, and trails are an integral part of this.

On Cyclist's breaking the law

Remind the interviewer that bad drivers exist regardless of the vehicle

On Helmets

We do not have a specific policy on mandatory helmet use.

Managing our commitments and work load

Managing new items brought to a committee

Director/Committee should decide if they want to handle it or move it up to the co-chairs who can then decide how to deal with it. We should remember to always be courteous in our communications.

On Representatives

We will keep the current model, if we have an opportunity to have representation on a project or group, we will take on the opportunity if we can find a suitable candidate to act as our representative, otherwise we will have to pass on the opportunity. Reps will report as they do now in the monthly meeting.

Monthly Meetings

- 🚲 Directors should bring forward questions when they need discussion and decisions from the membership
- 🚲 We want to try and put time frames on our agenda items
- 🚲 At the start of the monthly meeting, we will decide what has to be discussed/decided at the current meeting, taking about 10 minutes at the start of the meeting to build an "emerging agenda"
- 🚲 We can continue to adapt meetings
- 🚲 When we have a special guest, we should make every effort to have them address the meeting first.

Dealings with Bike Shops

- 🚲 We need to be sure we do not enter into any exclusive partnerships with bike shops
 - 🚲 We want to make sure all stores have an equal opportunity to participate
 - 🚲 We will not accept exclusive support agreements
- Jackie will write a draft letter.

Volunteer Recognition

Jackie will produce volunteer recognition cards.

Minutes submitted by Mark Cohoe