

**Southern Sierra Fat Tire Association (SSFTA)  
Board/Advisory Team Agenda  
January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Board members present:** Tommy Bryant, Susan Bowen, Ernest Garcia-Diaz, Kristabel Garcia-Diaz

**Advisory Team Members present:** Eddie Gonzalez, Tim Strem, Kari Fabrizio, Steve Carskaddon, Cheryl Lamberson

**Members and Guests present:** Lisa Wade, Michael Wade, Tegan Sceals-Smith, Malaika Bryant, , Kevin Fabrizio, Chris Smith, Janet Gonzalez, Kevin Fabrizio, Keith Barnden, Cindy Parra

**1. Opening**

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Tommy Bryant.

**2. Reports:**

**2.1. SSFTA general report**

**2.1.1.** Tommy Bryant reported that the group is doing great. The Kern Wheelmen are continuing to enjoy our Sunday rides.

**2.1.2.** Eddie Gonzalez reported on the recent "Adopt a Classroom" project. Our club was able to raise funds to give each of the 23 students in the classroom he reads to with Christmas presents this year.

**2.2. Treasurer's report**

**2.2.1.** Kristabel Garcia-Diaz reported that there is currently \$8,397.79 in the clubs account. The last approved expense was \$250 for Eddie's classroom project noted in item 2.1.2.

**2.2.2.** Kristabel Garcia-Diaz proposed to pay the club's annual insurance policy for club activities at a cost of \$125. Tommy motioned to approved and Ernest seconded.

**2.2.3.** Kristabel Garcia-Diaz proposed to reimburse the Fabrizioos for items purchased for the annual club Christmas party for the amount of \$181.21. Tommy motioned to approved and Ernest seconded.

**2.2.4.** Kristabel Garcia-Diaz proposed to reimburse Kevin Fabrizio for our annual web hosting charges for both calendar year 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 for the amount of \$149.66. Tommy motioned to approve and Ernest seconded.

**2.3. Membership report**

**2.3.1.** James Pass reported that the club currently has 65 active members.

**2.3.2.** James Pass will be sharing the membership list with the BOD after the meeting.

**2.4. Trail maintenance report**

**2.4.1.** Ryan Brown was absent during the trail maintenance report, but Ernest shared that both he and Ryan would be volunteering with the Stewards of the Sequoias on Saturday, January 12, 2013, to work on a trail near Badger Gap. All interested members were invited.

**2.4.2.** Ernest Garcia-Diaz reported that Tim Strem had widened a small section of single track located east of Rattlesnake.

### **3. Old Business**

#### **3.1. NOR parade**

3.1.1. Ernest Garcia-Diaz reported that 6 club members attended the NOR Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 15, 2012.

#### **3.2. Club windbreakers**

3.2.1. James Pass reported that there were currently 4 preorders for club windbreakers and the minimum order is 15. Once 15 preorders have been submitted, the windbreakers could be delivered within 6 weeks. Due to lack of preorders it was decided by the board to extend the preorder deadline through the next board meeting. If 15 preorders have not been created by the February meeting, the windbreaker order will be canceled until the fall of 2013.

#### **3.3. Keyesville Pint Glasses**

3.3.1. Ernest Garcia-Diaz brought up that he is currently storing 5 cases of the 2012 Keyesville Classic pint glasses and proposed to sell these items. Keith Barnden expressed interest in using them for the 2013 Keyesville Classic and will speak with Sam Ames regarding the purchase of the glasses. Susan Bowen suggested selling the glasses to the Kern River Brewing Company "KRBC" as a way to promote the race all year round. It was decided that in the glasses will be offered to Keith and Sam; in the event they are not interested, the club may offer them to KRBC. Both parties will purchase units at cost.

3.3.2. James Pass reported that the club's stock of merchandise is very low. James will be completing an inventory and will present items that will need to be ordered at the next meeting.

### **4. New Business:**

#### **4.1. Upcoming Events & Volunteers:**

4.1.1. Susan Bowen stated that we will need volunteers for the 2013 Foothill Classic.

4.1.1.1. Keith Barnden requested that the club provide 4 members to help with the event. Course markers, race officials, and various other volunteers are needed. Volunteers will be given lunch and a free race entry.

4.1.2. Ernest Garcia-Diaz brought up the need for the club to set up a booth at local events to promote the club and sell club merchandise. Cindy Parra of Bike Bakersfield suggested contacting Bryan regarding the Rio Brave Rumble and Keith invited the club to all future events hosted by SamBarn.

#### **4.2. Treasurer's duties:**

4.2.1. Janet Gonzalez stated that she was handing over the duties of club treasurer to Kristabel and requested to approve Kristabel and Tommy the new signers for the club's account. Tommy motioned and Cheryl seconded.

#### **4.3. New signers on SSFTA account:**

4.3.1. Janet Gonzalez requested a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2012 meeting; the motion to approve was headed by Ernest and seconded by Malaika.

#### **4.4. Website management:**

4.4.1. Tommy Bryant informed every one of the need to keep the club's website as up to date as possible. In order to do so, Tommy suggested that rider of the month, meeting agendas and minutes, will need to be posted.

- 4.4.2. Janet Gonzalez requested to have a subcommittee to ensure that the information is collected and routed to the webmaster, Susan Bowen, to ensure the website stays up to date.
- 4.4.3. Kevin Fabrizio stated that the lack of content from club members prevents our website from being up to date. Kevin encouraged members to share information on the website.
- 4.4.4. Keith Barnden suggested that the club nominate a current member who is not active in the club to interview the rider of the month so they will feel closer to the club.
- 4.4.5. **SSFTA email accounts**
  - 4.4.5.1. Kevin Fabrizio informed the current board members that he will be updating the clubs email addresses so the board may access emails being sent using the contact information on the club's website.

#### **4.5. Club brochures:**

- 4.5.1. Kristabel Garcia-Diaz suggested creating brochures featuring information on the club to be shared with other bicycle clubs in Bakersfield.
- 4.5.2. Cindy Parra stated that Bike Bakersfield needs information for mountain biking as they are frequently asked about riding in Bakersfield. Bike Bakersfield has the individual inquiring visit the SSFTA website for information, but they would prefer to have something tangible to share with them.
- 4.5.3. Eddie Gonzalez stated that the club had business cards that lists ride information and the club's web address. Eddie will be sharing the business cards with the club to promote the club.

### **5. Announcements**

#### **5.1. Public Comments**

- 5.1.1. Cindy Parra informed the club that she was asked by Bob Smith, founder of Bike Bakersfield, to attend all bicycle club meetings in Bakersfield so she may hear the concerns of cyclists in Bakersfield. The club thanked her for attending the meeting, but did not have any concerns regarding cycling in Bakersfield at that time.
- 5.1.2. Tim Strem shared a story to make the club aware of the proper way to dispose of batteries. If stored incorrectly batteries may create enough heat to start a fire where they are stored. The club was informed to recycle the batteries in a suitable manner as soon as the batteries were no longer needed.

### **6. Adjournment:**

- 6.1. Tommy Bryant motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:36pm and was seconded by Kristabel.