

**Southern Sierra Fat Tire Association (SSFTA)
Board/Advisory Team Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2011**

Board Members present: Eddie Gonzalez, Alan Yama, Kari Fabrizio, Michael Wade

Advisory Team members present: Jim McWhorter, Bob Sughrue, D.J. Billiard, Lisa Wade

Members/Guests present: Keith Barnden, Brenda Mendrin

1. Opening/ Roll Call (by sign in)/ Minutes

Roll call was taken by sign-in sheet. Ten members and guests were present. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

1.1 Introductions and Welcome

Vice President Eddie Gonzalez welcomed everyone.

1.2 June Minute Approval

The minutes from the June meeting were distributed prior to the meeting. Kari Fabrizio summarized the minutes. No changes were recommended. Eddie Gonzalez moved to approve the minutes. Keith Barnden seconded the motion. All board members present approved the minutes.

2. Reports

2.1 SSFTA General Report

Eddie Gonzalez reported that ridership has been good. Jim McWhorter stated that a beginner group informally started on Monday nights as a separate group. Ivan Robles leads this group. The Wednesday ride used to be an "all riders" ride and has become a fast ride. This new group tends to split off and not wait for all riders. Jim would like to see this return to an "all riders" ride. Currently the ride numbers are down on Wednesday night and some are instead going to the Monday rides. Eddie suggested soliciting new ride leaders for an "all riders" ride on Wednesday nights. Kari Fabrizio will post on the forums.

2.2 Treasurer's Report

Alan Yama reported that SSFTA has \$386 in the Pay Pal account and \$5195.91 in the checking account. There were \$1200 in deposits (\$1000 donation from Paul Ferguson; \$200 in jersey and membership income), and \$130 in expenses (\$100 gift card to Sidney Hessler, CPA;

\$30 IMBA membership) this month. There is a \$30 membership that needs to be deposited.

2.3 Membership Report

Deanne Renting was absent so no update was available, but she requested input for the July newsletter and nominations for the July rider of the month. Cheryl Lamberson was nominated by Eddie Gonzalez to be rider of the month and all agreed. Members suggested putting the upcoming July and August trips in the newsletter.

2.4 Trail Maintenance Report

Tim Strem was not present so no report was available.

2.5 Website Report:

No new information was presented.

3. Old Business

3.1 August Santa Cruz trip:

Deanne Renting was able to secure an 8-10 person house for the Santa Cruz trip for \$900, plus a \$500 deposit (<http://www.vrbo.com/321334>). The board agreed to have the club pay the fees upfront and obtain reimbursements from participants later.

4. New Business

4.1 July Campout:

This Mt. Pinos Campout will be similar to last year with Jim McWhorter bringing the BBQ and the club providing the meat (chicken and sausage) for the Saturday meal. Participants will bring side dishes. The Saturday ride will start at 10:00 a.m. Saturday evening entertainment will be a rodeo: bike limbo and slalom course.

5. Announcements

5.1 Public Comments

5.1.1 Jim McWhorter suggested a Moab trip at the end of September.

5.1.2 Bob Sughrue is setting up a skills clinic for beginner riders when Tommy Bryant comes back this Fall/Winter. More information to be posted later.

5.1.3 Keith Barnden reported that the Kern Wheelman is planning a cyclefest in Hart Park next spring and will keep the club posted. He suggested the club have a booth at the event.

5.2 August meeting date: 8-9-11

- 6. Adjournment:** Eddie Gonzalez motioned to adjourn the meeting and Keith Barnden/Bob Sughrue seconded. The meeting adjourned.