**STBC Annual Meeting Minutes**

February 9, 2020

Vestal Public Library

**Call to Order** – 1:45 PM

**Roll Call –** Steve, Dave, Lorraine, Don, Ivan, Mark, Wayne & Mina - Excused Cheryl & Greg

**Officer’s Report**

**President's Report** – Mina was appointed as Acting Secretary

There were no additions or corrections to the Agenda

**Secretary's Report** – The reading of the Minutes from the previous Annual Meeting were waived and there were no Corrections to theMinutes. The Minutes accepted.

**Treasurer's Report** – Balance as of 12/31/2019: $10,770 ($2,526 checking)

Change in Net Assets 2018-2019: -$2483

Detailed financial report posted on website under About STBC “Meeting Minutes”

There were no Questions and the Treasurer'sReport was filed

**Committee Reports**

**Membership** – Mark – The Registrars Report - Data current on 2019-01-16

Membership

823 registered memberships

Of the 823 total:

188 current annual renewal memberships (through at least 2019)

225 lifetime memberships

410 stale memberships (not current on dues)

Of the 413 active memberships (current annual and life):

91 family

322 individual

Constant Contact

667 email addresses

Of the 667 total:

646 active recipients

21 unsubscribed

GFLBT 2020 Registrations

3 registrations

**Website –** Lorraine – No Significant Updates

**Pay Pal –** Lorraine – No Significant Updates

**Googlegroup –** Larry - Googlegroup is open to STBC members and friends

- Used for discussion of STBC events / activities, and issues of concern to the biking community

- Currently over 550 subscribers

- Folks are added at time of dues payment, or upon request

- Subscribers include out-of-town GFLBT participants to keep abreast of GFLBT news

- Posting to the Googlegroup -- southerntierbicycleclub@googlegroups.org

- Please contact Larry Blumberg ([LBlumberg@stny.rr.com](mailto:LBlumberg@stny.rr.com)) for Googlegroup address changes and questions!

**Newsletter**- Dave – The newsletter will be sent to the printer by early March and mailed to STBC members for arrival in early April. It will include the ride schedule and a few timely articles. Deadline for articles is March 5, 2020

**Public Relations –** Yvonne – No Significant Updates

**Facebook –** Regina - No Significant Updates – survey revealed about ½ of the attending membership use Facebook. Don will create an event Page for the GFLBT

**Rides Schedule** - Dave - The ride schedule is underway and is publicly available in the Googlegroups calendar for those rides which have already been scheduled.

Dave Wells will again be leading rides on Thursday nights, beginning in mid-May. Ride locations will vary week-to-week, rotating between Sidney, Gilbertsville, Oxford and Norwich.

We need ride leaders. Response to personal requests has been positive but a lot of open slots remain in the calendar.

Would like to encourage more weekday evening rides in addition to weekend and weekday daytime rides to better serve working members. Deadline for ride to be printed in the newsletter is March 5, 2020

**Wheels to Meals** – Greg - Jay will present “The W2M Annual Report” 54 rides is 2020 – 28 on Tuesday and 26 on Thursday with an average number of 16 Riders per Ride. Jay noted a slight decline from the past year due to weather. Overall there was a slight decline in attendance over the past 3 years due to members switching over to the PB & J rides instead. . Average age of Riders has been about 70 years old.

**PB & J Rides** - Gary - No Significant Updates

**Safety** – Dave - **2019 Events: April 13**, Earth Day Celebration at Milford NY Central School. Organized and conducted a bicycling safety learning exercise in the form a multiple-choice quiz game.  Six young people (ages approx. 7-12) participated.  All left with front and rear light sets (partially paid for by STBC donation) and greater knowledge about bicycle safety. **June 3**, Bike Rodeo/ Traffic Safety Event at Charles F. Johnson, Jr. Elementary (Endicott, NY) sponsored by school PTO.  Participated with three other STBC club members, Doug Chamberlain, Steve Bruno, Steven Bard.  Safety checks of bicycles, basic safety instruction on avoidance maneuvers, handed out bike safety items and information materials. **June 14**, Safe Summer Fun Day event held by Norwich City Youth Bureau together with Morrisville Cooperative Extension through the Liberty Partnership program. Organized and conducted a bike safety Q&A booth as part of the Safe Summer Fun Day event.

**2020 Event(s) Planned Wednesday May 20**, 5-7 PM, Summer Safety Kickoff event sponsored by Maine Endwell Key Club at Maine Memorial School.  Exact nature of bike safety participation to be determined.  Dave has noted that the program is well organized. He will be asking for STBC volunteers to help!  Steve Bruno has volunteered. Please contact Dave Wells at 607-316-6625.

**Donations** - Lorraine – for 2019 ***$50 max. donation for member sponsorship***

$350 for member sponsorship ($50 each)

Raffle money to Chow ($79)

Bike Safety Skills ($50)

Bike Walk Tompkins ($500***)***

**Repair Clinic** – Steve– Will conduct at the GFLBT a Bicycle Safety Check Friday at 8:30 PM

**Highway Clean-up** – Sue – Saturday*,* April 25 &Saturday, September 26, 2020. Sue reported that an average number of 17 volunteers take about 1 ½ hours to Beautify our highway. She encourages you to come for a good breakfast paid by the Club and then enjoy a social ride after the clean-up. Jack has volunteered to lead that ride.

**Annual Dinner** – Greg – Saturday, April 25, 2020 at The Relief Pitcher at 6:00 PM

**Earth Day Fest** – Carolyn – STBC participated in 2019 with a good response from attendants. This year is Sunday, April 26, 2020 from 10:00 to 3:00 PM at SUNY Broome Student Center.

As a part of the STBC commitment to the Earth Fest, Steve Br will lead the Bike Cruise (open to the public) at 1:00 PM. Sue H., John N. and Steve B. volunteer to help with the STBC Program.

**Sarah Jane Bike Giveaway** – Augie – Saturday*,* May 9, 2020

1. The SJJMUMC DREAM CENTER and the BC PRISONER RELEASE PROGRAM were given 300 refurbished bicycles to distribute in 2019.

2.  35 STBC volunteers joined others in assembling 258 small bicycles with training wheels at Gault Toyota in December to be given away via various agencies during the holidays.  Some seen at FRESH CYCLES in the UNITED WAY LEE BARTA facility on Liberty Street, Binghamton.  Job well done.

3. We have over 200 refurbished bicycles in storage for the 2020 May Give Away. They keep coming!!  Many in showroom condition.   Storage is tight and we continue to look for suitable storage space.  Ideas welcome.

4. A special thank you for the many volunteers who helped haul and fix bicycles. Our 7 monthly repair sessions at the church were well attended and well-staffed.  Likely to repeat in 2020.

Dave W. will lead the unwinding ride afterwards at about 3:00 PM.

**Ride of Silence** – John N - Wednesday, May 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM. If anyone else is interested in joining this committee for 2020 & assisting with getting the word out they can contact me ~ John at 785-1166.   In 2020, I would like to expand the route to the required mileage specs in order to make an “official R.O.S.” so we can have it listed with other internationally held R.O.S.’s.

**GFLBT** – Don – Fri, Sat & Sun, **June 12, 13 & 14, 2020**

Website is updated for 2020. Registration underway – 20 so far – Please give your support !!

Routes basically the same as last – scouting trip soon to confirm. All Venue Vendors have been contacted and 75% of the schedule is verified. The committee is always looking for new ideas.

**Bob Dannecker Memorial Ride and Picnic** – Don – No Significant Updates

**JC Christmas Parade** – Narani - Thursday December 3, 2020 6:45 PM - Not a fabulous turnout for 2019 regarding quantity, but in terms of quality, excellent.  A good time was had by all, safe to say, and our presence brightened and bike-ified the parade.  Looking forward to next year!

**Advocacy Group** – Steven B - Communicating with the City of Binghamton Parks department about the Jim Bryden bike route is going along well, maintaining pleasant exchanges, with no commitment yet. There is work in planning to redo some intersections on Grand Blvd. and bike route markings (part of the Jim Bryden route) are in consideration.

- Have been keeping the STBC members informed on Greenway progress.

- The STBC bike pump is in the Discovery Collection at the Johnson City Library. We are maintaining a good relation with Chenango Point Bike Shop to insure service of the pump.

The Johnson City Library sent the STBC a Thank You note, which was presented to Steven Bard. Steven also donated the funds for the purchase of the Pump

**Constitution and BY-Laws –** Steve - No Significant Updates

**Apparel** – Regina – No Significant Updates

**Garden Tenders -** Regina **-** No Significant Updates

**Nominating Committee** – Don - ***Open the Floor for Nominations***

**Special Orders - Election of Officers - Current Candidates**

There were no other candidates and no new nominations for the 2020 STBC Elections.

Mina cast the one vote necessary for the election, which was seconded and unopposed.

The current STBC Officers for 2020 are

**President –**Mark Goodwin

**Vice President** – David Wells

**Secretary –** Cheryl Brown

**Treasurer –** Lorraine Loitsch

The STBC Executive Board was thanked and is looking for your support.

**Unfinished Business**

Mark is working on getting the STBC Books archived and is looking for a copy of the 1998 newsletters.

Mark Goodwin will organize a joint bike ride with the Lockheed Martin Outdoor & Adventure (O&A) Group this year, which is still in the works.

**New Business**

None

**Program**

**Rides, Rides & More Rides**

We all got to meet the 2019 Ride Leaders who were present

Mina Tio

Greg Laskowski

Dick Porterfield

John Gerty

Regina Losinger

Patrick & Carolyn Gilligan

Larry Blumberg

Steven Bard

Don Doornbos

David Wells

Jim Conroy

John Norris

Logan Hurst

Karen Koschanski

Vinny Columbo

Narani O'Shaughnessy

Bob Dannecker

Anita Wasson

Annie Simpson

Gary Vanderbles

Denny Uhlig

Jonnie Ticknor

Cathy Neil

Dewitt Brundage

Stephen Bruno

Mina donated and presented a tube, which dispense Hand Sanitizer & SPF 30 Sun Screen from either end, to the Ride Leaders for their service. It’s a handy little gadget to have in your Bike Bag.

We explained the different Rides

Suggest some different rides.

Sign up for rides

Set up a Piggyback Ride

And we got 4 volunteers for the shared joint Ride Leader Program, in which veteran ride leaders will teach new leaders how to have fun with leading Rides.

**Door Prizes & 50 /50 Raffle**

Assorted members won some great Door Prizes.

Bill Ondrako won the Grande Prize – a Bike Rubber Ink Stamp

Don Doornbos donated his half of the winnings of the 50/50 raffle to the STBC.

The other half of the 50/50 is being donated to CHOW.

**For the Good of the Order –**

John Norris presented a big, beautiful “Thank You” cake on behalf of the STBC to Steve Bruno for all of his years of service on the executive board of the Club. Steve replied, that the STBC Board, have been very easy to work with over the past years and that it has been a true pleasure serving the STBC. Steve will continue on in 2020 as a Board of Director as per the By-laws.

Anita then, was asked to cut the Cake !!

**Adjournment**

Motioned, seconded and in favor at 3:30 PM