



# Chinook Cycling Club

## Open Club Meeting Minutes



February 21, 2024 - Open Club Board Meeting - Round Table Pizza on Leslie & Gage in Richland, WA (5:30pm - 7:00pm)

2024 Board Members (with term ending year): Sean Murphy (President, 25), Rodney Scrimsher (VP, 24), Chad Eder (Treasurer, 24), Vanessa Monie (Secretary, 25), Julie Nelson (24), Carol Simmons (24), Jen Gahringer (25), Tim Staloch (25).

**Call To Order**: meeting called to order by Pres. @5:42pm.

**Approval of previous meeting's minutes**: motion to approve (Pres.), 2nd (Julie). January closed meeting minutes approved as published.

### **Officers, Boards & Standing Committees:**

#### • **Treasurer**: Presented by Tim Staloch on behalf of the Treasurer.

- Nothing on budget changed- membership is up to 84 for the year. Some budget adjustments - not approved in the last meeting. Budget should be finalized by the end of the meeting and more updates from Chad thereafter. No changes on financials.

#### • **VP**:

- Update on Lewiston Spring training, five people who are currently registered. One maybe. Lots of "no's". The date is moved back a week and the later date has more conflicts with people's schedules. Concern with less people: less financially sound. May double price if not enough people signed up to cover fixed costs. Question is: Do we set a certain number or leave it at six and have them pay more. Decision to be made by March 10th. Ideal is 10 people minimum.
- Question to VP about extending road series, VP says could be done if there is demand.
- Road series - 3 dates set -there is a conflict on the April date - the 28th Gorge Grinder, but going to continue regardless of the conflict. Going to keep the routes the same as done in the past.
- Bigger century rides also of interest -  
May 11th, hoping to promote it more. Supporting Inland Empire Century.

- Wants to pull off Triple ByPass, picking July 10th, a Wednesday, due to traffic concerns on narrow road. Carol will be in the van. Recommendation to go around Clear Lake. There would be a fee to cover fuel to get there. Lunch at the pass provided OR we tell everyone to bring a lunch. Recommendation to go UP Chinook and DOWN White Pass for traffic safety. Details for DIRECTION to be decided.
- June 1st Deadman's Pass is the third big ride. Logistically easier out and back
- Planning to charge people a little bit, not planning to take out of budget - potentially a little bit to give people a break (charging \$10 vs \$20 for instance).
- Asking for \$300 toward the ByPass ride and \$150 for DeadMan's ride. - \$450 total. **Motion to take that \$450 (\$300, \$150) out of Budget total by VP, Sean seconded. Approved by Board. Motion to set the dates by VP- Tim seconded, and approved by board.**

### TS:

- Introducing a Wednesday night social ride. All levels. Meet at Columbia Park at 6pm. Planned route, 20 miles to start. Planned ride leader and sweeper. Something social at the end. Not a start date yet. Need to be a club member to participate. Wants some swag or budget money to have some giveaways to help kick it off. \$200 is the budget proposal.
- **Motion by Tim for \$200 budget, seconded by VP. Approved.**

### Pres.:

- Gravel ride on March 10th Heaven of the South. Need to have a Chinook tent set up near the start, swag available and place for club members to stash items etc. No money needed. Van should be driven there too for advertising. Brian Cimmiyotti manning an aide station.
- Not a lot of updates for CRD.
- Jace and ZWIFT rides: 87 members on Zwift club. Ride Thursdays at 530. Usually between 6 -17 riders and three different types of rides: Group, structured and group banded together while all doing their own wattage. Wants to get \$75 for divy out to people, \$25 over a three week period, they have to be a paying member to receive the money. **Motion by Tim to have the \$75 from budget as finale to zwift season, seconded by Carol. No discussion and approved.**

### Old Business:

- Budget item already taken care of and nothing really to vote on. Haven't talked about Thursday night throwdown- want to continue it? Table for now as it's

usually started later in summer. (Tabled).

- Discussion on how to make the group rides on Saturday and Sunday more inclusive. Have come up with several different ideas but not sure how best to proceed.
- Ryan B. wants to consider a hard ride on Wednesdays as well. Maybe talk to Greenies about changing their hard ride day?
- Trina- depends on intent behind the ride. Her Sunday ride intent is to not have a hammerfest ride. It's a no-drop ride but it's also not for pure beginners. Maybe better communication is what's needed. Sean wants to get all the group rides together and define them and list them clearly on the website.
- Budget finalization: Chad will redo after this meeting and **motion will be after insurance discussion in New Business.**

### **New Business:**

#### **Insurance -**

- Increased by 270% (\$2150), that big of a change will require membership fees to go up. Tim talked with OBRA, theirs is more reasonable. Cost is \$325.
- **VP motion to go with OBRA on insurance for stop-gap and 2024, seconded by Tim. Approved.**

#### **Budget finalization-**

- **Motion by Sean to approve Chad's budget with the addition of items added today - Seconded by Rod. Approved.**

#### **Vehicle keys-**

- Discussion to maybe make the keys more available - all board members have them. Problem is keypad access security issue with where the vehicle is stored. Hoping with less keys, more accountability with the status of the van and trailer (sometimes comes back a mess). Jon made 4 sets and will give to Pres. to figure out security etc. VP wants to proactively keep Greg in the loop as part of storing van respectfully at facility. General rule : needs to come back in GOOD ORDER when done. Greg passing along: Can CX fencing in back of van be donated to CRD? - >Trina will ask Ryan.  
Sean, Greg Turpen and Craig Groendyke will be keepers of the keys.
- Craig Groendyke wants to know status of Chinook website: Co-managed by Chad and Shane. Working to update calendar etc. Want to make it accessible and useful to community. Keep board minutes up to date. **Work in progress.**

**Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned by Pres. @7:01PM, Seconded by Carol.