

Penticton Triathlon Club  
Meeting Minutes  
September 2, 2009

Present: Darryl Jones, Paul McPhail, Laura Carleton, Richard Szabo, Ryan Mahaffy, Michael Welsh, Brad Lee,

Meeting started at 7:10 PM.

1 **Minutes** were read by Brad, accepted by Gord and Carl.

2. **Treasurer's Report** - Ryan reports that the current account balance is \$4785.12. Club to receive another cheque for \$1200 from Anthony's Pub. Gord has a bill for \$72.08 for supplies for the BP Jr. Tri to be shared with Bare Bones.

3. **Correspondence:** .

4. **Old Business:**

a. **IMC.** Turned out to be a hot, smoky day. Many locals had a very good race, including Jen Annett, Scott Tremblay, Scott McMillan, Kevin Cutjar, Justin Burks.

b. No one has volunteered to help with the website, except for Sandy Ferguson, who is offering to help with the newsletters. Brad will assign login IDs and passwords to members, allowing them to access and add comments and items to the "Forum" and "Classified" pages.

c. **Coaching Courses.** Thus far 2 people are interested in a coaching course, including Paul McPhail. Paul said there is mention on the TriBC website of a Youth specific "Community Coaching" course. We need a date for the next community coaching course. Lisa Singleton mentioned that 3 people from Keremeos are interested in a coaching course.

5. **New Business:**

a. Awards banquet is set for November 22 at the Days Inn. The band will be the "Headband", with Bill Head and Steve King. The Pounders strongly suggested that they would like to alternate the choice of band this year. In agreement with the Pounders, as we jointly hold the Awards banquet, the choice of the "Headband" was agreed upon 2 meetings ago.

b. **AGM.** Set date for Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7PM. We must begin soliciting nominations for awards. Ticket price is not yet known. Check with the Pounders for the price. The positions of President and Treasurer are up for election. Richard Szabo has stated that he will NOT be running for a position.

c. **Tri BC AGM.** Sunday Sept.20. Will anyone be able to attend? It is also the date for the race directors meeting.

d. Fall Running clinic. Must confirm with Scott McMillan if he will be able to hold a running clinic this fall. Paul thinks that Wednesdays will be best.

e. Good luck to Steve Hardwicke, Diane Parchomchuk, and Carl Peterson at the ITU Age Group Olympic distance World Championships in Australia on Sept.12.

f. Cycling Network in city. An email was sent out to the club, with a couple of links to

show examples of cycling networks in North American cities. Paul asked how many city councilors support the idea of developing a cycling network. Lisa Prowse previously had a group started, but it has since ended. Councillor Andrew Jakubeit, pointed out that with the expected growth of Okanagan College, a cycling network may be very useful, and needed. There was a meeting held on August 20<sup>th</sup> to learn what the cyclists and people of Penticton currently think of the ideas. A follow up meeting is expected in September. Brad commented that he was disappointed that with approximately 40 people attending the meeting, only 2 road cyclists (Brian Burke, Des Snider) attended, and 2 triathletes (Brad and Paul McPhail). Brad commented that although the workshop was highlighting development of cycling corridors in the city for commuting purposes, some education is greatly needed. Local road cyclists typically use the existing bike lane, as well as Winnipeg/Fairview, and that most cyclists using Main Street tend to be visiting triathletes. If the city develops specific cycling corridors, it could certainly help if Ironman Canada sent out information to registered athletes when in town, to use the cycling corridors, and to include a link to the city maps of said corridors. Brad also said that if we cyclists do not make use of the opportunity to have input in meetings that lead to changes in city development for traffic purposes, especially for cycling, then it becomes difficult to understand why anyone can complain about the work done by city administrators. Michael suggested sending out a club email to state why Brad felt there was some disappointment in terms of the attendance (apathy), and how input can be very important. Point: no comments, no change! Laura suggested the IMC website could have a link to the City maps showing cycling corridors and bike lanes. Darryl believes there are more cyclists on the city streets these days, but many do not follow the rules of the road.

Next Meeting Oct. 7, 2009 at 7PM.

Meeting adjourned 8:24 PM.