



*Partners in Cycling*



Sport Manitoba – 200 Main Street  
June 10<sup>th</sup> , 2006 9:30 a.m. Meeting

Present: Dave Benson, Larry Argue, Bruce Hardie, John Hawranik, Drew Hawranik,  
David Johnston, Richard Nichol

Regrets: Wonda Case, Karin McSherry, Jon Benson, Bill Ralph, Cabrel Boucher

1. **Call Board Meeting to Order 9:30 am**
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Moved by John Hawranik, Seconded by Richard Nichol  
Carried
3. **Approve minutes: Matters arising from the minutes:** Moved by John Hawranik,  
Seconded by Bruce Hardie. Carried
4. **New Business:**

#### 4.1 Review the Audited Statement

**Action:** Jon please provide the Board a fixed asset inventory. Radios, cameras, TV, computers and other valuable items. Please review with the Board the system we are using for monitoring the loan of equipment.

Moved by John Hawranik Seconded by Richard Nichol. That the MCA Audit scheduled for September 30<sup>th</sup> be prepared and delivered by November 20<sup>th</sup> , 2006 so that it can be presented at the AGM. Carried.

**Action:** Bruce to follow up with Meyers, Norris, Penny, if they are unable to deliver we will seek another firm. This request may result in a new cost for service.

**Action:** We need to set up a system where we identify specific expenses to specific programs and accounts. Jon and Bruce to follow up with Mike and Chris. An update will be provided by the end of June and Bruce will share with the Board via email prior to our next meeting.

**Action:** Bruce to review the options available and benefits provided by our MasterCard.

**Action:** That the AGM Committee consider Nov 25 or December 2<sup>nd</sup> to accommodate receipt of the audit.

In response to a question on surplus, a suggestion that we maintain a surplus to cover operating costs for about 5-7 months.

#### 4.2 Executive Director Update

An update will be provided via email...

#### **4.3 Resource Conservation Letter**

We will remain independent and not forward letters at this time.

#### **5. Reports:**

- **Presidents Report (emailed)**
- **VP of Finance**
- **Recreation and Transportation Coordinator (vacant)**
- **Road Coordinator**
- **Mountain Bike Coordinator**
- **BMX Coordinator**
- **Provincial Team Coordinator (emailed)**
- **Sport Director (emailed)**
- **Athlete Rep's :**
  - Road**
  - Mountain**
- **Director's At Large**
  - **Cabrel**
  - **Richard**
  - **Wonda**

**5. NEXT MEETING:** June 25<sup>th</sup> 6:00 at MCA phone connection required

**6. ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Larry 11:15

#### **REPORTS:**

##### **President's Report:**

The season is off to a great start. Thanks to the work of the program committee's we have seen excellent events organized by the Road and Mountain Bike Committees as well as well organized trips to Saskatoon, Nebraska, Regina and Canada Cup Mountain Bike events in Bromont, Mt. Tremblant and Barrie.

As noted in a verbal report to the Board in May, I attended the Canadian Cycling Association Events Committee meetings in Vancouver in May. The CCA continues to look at ways to expand the race programs and are always looking for new venues to develop. I reminded the Board that events like National Championships are applied for and awarded usually two years in advance. At this time there still is an opportunity to host a National Road Criterium Championship in 2007. The Brandon First Organizing Committee had contacted us earlier in the year and have been in contact with our Road Coordinator. This could be a great opportunity.

As a part of the new national ranking system, Manitoba has identified a Provincial Cup in each discipline as well as our Provincial Championships as National Points events. The Minnedosa Stage Race, The Falcon

Manitoba Cup and Cyclocross #2 are our points events. Organizers are reminded they must also submit their results to the CCA Competitions Director after the event.

As a course conductor, I offered a Level I Mountain Bike Coach Course and facilitated the presentation of a Level II Mountain Bike Coach course with Loyal Ma. The weekend in April saw approximately 20 coaches being trained or their qualifications increased. Support for the course was provided through our new Memorandum of Understanding with the Canadian Cycling Association and grants from Sport Manitoba. I also offered a Mountain Bike Commissaire Course, which was cancelled due to limited enrollment. The one participant was offered a modified course to allow him to gain credit for his coaching certification levels.

Winnipeg Health Authority is attempting to meet again to discuss helmet legislation. Dr. Sande Harlos is the coordinator of this plan. Schools were invited to participate in a program with the Minister For Healthy Children (Theresa Oswald) and selected Bairdmore School to officially deliver helmets. MCA has been invited to the official kick off on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

I circulated an email from resource Conservation Manitoba and received minimal feedback from the Board, so I have placed the item on the agenda under new business for discussion. Please be prepared to discuss our response to this issue.

I have also applied and received assistance from a Sport Manitoba Officials Travel Assistance and will be traveling to Airdrie to enhance my BMX training later in June. This training will be at no cost to MCA.

We are well into our year and I would encourage all Board members to consider how we will assess our current plan and how we can build our program for the future. Please begin to consider those members of our Association we will recognize at our AGM in the Fall as well as Board membership and sustainability for 2006-2007. Key to this will be the work of our Administration sub committee and their plans for our office and likely a replacement for our Sport Director at the end of August.

#### **PROVINCIAL PROGRAM:**

Since the last report Provincial Program Athletes have participated in Bikes on Broadway in Saskatoon, the Monumental Memorial Stage in Beatrice, Nebraska and Tour de Prairie in Regina. All of these were stage races and our athletes performed well at all three events.

The Provincial Team Committee has undergone some changes. Greg Gannon has accepted a position in Toronto and has had to resign. Greg Penner, a former competitive cyclist and current teacher and coach, who is probably known to many of you, will be attending the next committee meeting. If the "fit" is right, he will be joining the committee.

It was discussed and agreed that the criteria which had been established for the membership of the committee was still valid and that it was more important to fill the positions on the committee accordingly than it was to fill them quickly. To that end, prior to our meeting but after this report is due, I am hoping to meet with Fred Schneider and Greg Guenther from Sport Manitoba to discuss the possibility of filling the fifth position on the committee.

Following our Board meeting the committee will be meeting to finalize Team selection for Road Nationals in Quebec City and MTB Nationals in Kamloops.

Accommodations have been arranged for Road Nationals. The van and trailer will be being used for transportation to Road Nationals. It appears that most attendees at MTB Nationals will be travelling with family. Final travel and accommodation arrangements will have to be finalized closer to the actual date.

Given that the two National events are the end of the Provincial Program's budgeted season, the committee will begin to spend time reviewing this season and making changes for 2007, including participation in the Western Canada Summer Games.

We will also be turning our attention to meeting the various objectives that were set out for the Provincial Program in the coming year.

In a response to a question, female chaperone's have been a part of each project. There is concern that our coach should not be racing when he is the only "legal" driver. This will be discussed and accommodation made for driving support.

#### **SPORT DIRECTOR:**

The summer 2006 season is now in full swing and it's good to see a lot of familiar faces, as well as some new ones, having a great time out at the races. We are currently at 509 members strong.

Only a few things worth mentioning, first, our partnership program with the Boys & Girls Club of Winnipeg. For those of you who are unaware of the program it was an idea developed by Marian to start a "learn to ride program" for young, under privileged girls which would provide them with a bike and the chance to participate in the sport of cycling. In the fall the program had pretty big ambitions, hoping to provide bicycles and equipment for 10-15 girls and weekly rides. However, the program stalled with Kylie's departure and having the office vacant for a few months. After a meeting last week, it was decided that the program would continue, but with much smaller goals and expectations (a less-than-hoped-for budget of \$3000 being a significant factor.) We are currently awaiting approval of the Program Proposal from the Boys & Girls Club before officially submitting it to Ken Faulder of Sport Manitoba and receiving the final green light. But all indications are that there shouldn't be a problem.

Secondly, Sport Manitoba has officially decided to implement a "Respect In Sport" Program which will be a mandatory component to anyone wishing to coach at any level with any provincial sport organization (e.g. the Manitoba Cycling Association). The program, which Manitoba is the first province to adapt, is expected to be launched here around September (exact date to be determined) and will have a 15 month grace period allowing for current coaches to complete. "Respect In Sport" is a 3 hour online program which is separate to the required NCCP coaching courses. It can be done during the spare time and can also be completed in portions (15 minutes at a time until you are done, for example) With this in place, it is the Manitoba Cycling Association's responsibility to ensure that all current coaches have completed this program.

And finally, It is now official that Sport Manitoba will be relocating as of December 31st, 2007. It was originally hoped that a small extension could be given, but the building owners have made it clear that it won't be a possibility. There is still a long list of possibilities for the new location, among them: University

of Manitoba, the University of Winnipeg, Old Army base on Kenaston Blvd (between Taylor and Grant) and Red River College. (Notre Dame Campus)