

Board Meeting Minutes, March 19 2003

Members Present: Nancy, Dave, John W., Kevin, Lisa, Mark, Scott
Absent: Sarah, Jon, John Z.

I. T-shirt and sticker update: T-shirt design, color is all set – just need to decide how many to order and what sizes. Discussed the breakdown and made suggestions. Nancy will discuss further with JZ to finalize before the order is placed.

Stickers: Scott presented final designs, and we made a few size modifications. Will order them asap, planning to have them ready within 3-4 weeks, in time for the first few skates (if possible) to give with waivers.

Waivers: Sarah sent out the 2003, which Susan has now posted on the website. Will print some to bring to Skate Jam, and encourage Team Leaders to include the link when sending out emails advertising their events. Will take note of those who sign before stickers are available and issue them as able.

II. Dave brought us up to date on the meeting he attended re: a path on the Big Dig corridor. There is interest in skater input, and it would be beneficial for skaters to attend future meetings, as well as other planning meetings for the advisory committee. He will keep us posted on meeting times/dates, and will post them to the club to encourage more members to attend and voice our input (not only for that but for other paths, community involvement events as well). He will also be hosting the table at Earth Day again this year (in April) and will solicit ICB volunteers to work the table (alongside MassBike).

III. Cambridge night light activity: Reviewed article re: Cambridge police giving citations for cyclists riding at night without lights. Will encourage skaters to take advantage of deals on lights, and further encourage use of lights at night skates.

Also discussed new city ordinance Nancy obtained from CRC contact: It forbids skateboarding, inline skating, stunt bicycles, and roller skates from “certain public property.” This appears to be mainly fountains, plazas, and stairs. Should not affect us too much providing skate leaders remain aware of this and avoid leading skates through these areas, or congregating there for rest stops. Will advise NSP at recertification night to make leaders aware. Will also attempt to find online link or copy of this ordinance to post to the icb list and/or website.

IV. Retail support/sponsorship: Since Kerry Reynolds has not been able to take this over and we’ve had no other volunteers, members present decided to divide retailers we’d like to contact among board members. We would like to put together a sponsorship packet, including introduction letter, membership card, business cards, brochure if possible.

Nancy will look into the letter, based on those received from TK and Carl Ford from WAR. Will try to put together packet within next 2 weeks, to allow people to contact retailers asap, as the skating season approaches.

Here is the breakdown of responsibility (if you weren't there you were assigned a place to contact): Nancy – Blades and Ferris Wheels; Mark – City Sports; Lisa – Bikeway Source; Kevin – Thunder (talk to Mark S about who to contact); John W. --Play it Again Sports; Sarah – Ski Market (Comm. Ave) JZ and Jon – any others nearby your home/work, or where you may have contacts.

V. Upcoming meetings: Since MOM will be starting next month, we will attempt to meet for MOM at 6:30, do the skate, then hold our meeting afterward at location TBA in Arlington (JW to scope out in next 2 weeks). We'd like to continue to meet the 2nd Wed. of the month, barring any unforeseen circumstances. By keeping the mtgs monthly we will try to keep the meeting time to a minimum!

March 24, 2003