

**JSTS Meeting Minutes-February 9, 2015**  
**Monmouth Worship Center**

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Spony at 7:03 PM. Officers and members were introduced. Secretary Michael Cronan was out of town.

A letter from Secretary Mike Cronan was read by President Spony. Three topics were raised:

- 1) Safety- accident reports: It was unclear who was responsible to fill out accident reports. It was clarified that the Secretary was responsible and it is up to him to have the ride leaders fill out their paperwork.
- 2) Member retention: This was discussed later during the meeting, i.e.- turnover rate.
- 3) Partnering with a bike shop for simple maintenance demonstrations: VP David Lee mentioned Bike, Blades & Ball had already offered to do that and was authorized to set something up.

The January 2015 minutes were approved with a motion by Ed Marx, seconded by Don Levy.

The Treasurers report for January was given. There was a comment by Fred Sweet that all inventory except for club clothing be written off as they were not sold, but usually given to new members or as rewards. It was moved by Steve Karger, seconded by Fred Sweet, and approved by all in attendance.

Correspondence:

- 1) A thank you from the Food Bank for the contributions donated during the Holiday Party.
- 2) Question whether to renew the subscription to Bicycling Times. It was decided not to renew.

Membership:

- 135 members
- 31 families
- 102 individual
- 8 Bike shops

- 97 renewal
- 22 new

Frostbite: 15 riders qualified. T-shirts were authorized to be ordered.

Souper Saturday: Feb 21 (rain/snow date 2/28), 10:00 AM, followed with soup @Stephanie McAuliffe's in Little Silver.

Ride Plans (Barb Bennett): Need more ride leaders!

JSTS Summer tour in Vermont- 16 signed up, room for 4 more.

Vermont Challenge- 6 have signed up.

Italy trip- 14 from JSTS have signed up.

Ride for Autism is June 13.

New Business:

Champagne Ride- April 19 (rain date April 26) -

Gail Stevens, chairperson, expects it to be under budget.

Cape May Weekend- April 10-12 - See Charlie Kirlew for details; \$30/night.

Volunteer Program-Steve Karger - details next meeting.

Budget- questions concerning balancing income/expense and carryover balance, which is presently ~ \$8,000.

If to be spent- advertising (promotion) of the club(JSTS)?

Targeted ads, e.g. facebook?

Christmas party-? Talk about cost/benefit.

Meetings – Fred Sweet mentioned that turnout at general meetings was very low. It was questioned whether there is need for monthly meetings, perhaps board meetings only. There was a discussion on the purpose of the meetings. Should they be more social in nature, (e.g., bringing in a speaker to attract more participation), or strictly a business type meeting?

A motion was made by Steve Karger and seconded by Charlie Kirlew that the executive board get together to determine what we wanted the purpose of the meetings to be. It was approved and the date was tentatively set for Feb 23.

8:23 PM- Motion is made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

-Submitted by David Lee, VP