JSTS Minutes of October 18, 2010 Meeting

Meeting called to order at an office building in Shrewsbury by President Harold Brenner at 7:00 pm.

Introduction of 4 board members (Harold, Steve, Charlie, Donna) and 16 members was announced.

Minutes

• Minutes were accepted as posted on the website.

Correspondence – Donna Matulewicz

• Donna passed around a magazine that was received.

Treasurer's Report – Charlie Kirlew

• Charlie read the Treasurer's Report for 9/1/10 – 9/30/10, and a motion was made to accept the report and carried.

Membership Report – Charlie Kirlew

• 2010 closed with 307 members. For 2011, there are 12 members so far.

Ride Report – Harold Brenner

Road Rides

Cape May Weekend

Andy Abere's weekend of biking in Cape May last weekend was enjoyed by 12 members who biked through Belleplain State Forest, Wildwood and Stone Harbor. If the house is available in the Spring, Andy may host another weekend next year.

Saturdays at MJ Tighe Park

The century ride on Oct. 25 had 13 riders. Overall, the Saturday rides at the park have been well attended.

Pete Benton offered to lead a daytime ride on Tuesday or Thursday now that the weekday rides are over.

Al McCormick will keep the winter rides during January, February and March at Allaire Park. However, he may be in Florida in February and will know for sure next month.

Harold invited everyone to an informal get together on Friday, Oct. 29 at 6 pm at Moore's Tayern in Freehold to celebrate the official end of the road season.

Mountain Bike Rides

The season kicks off on Oct. 30 with Minnewaska in the Catskills. Meet at Cheesequake Rest Area and carpool. Hiking is an option as well. Nov. 6 & Nov. 13 is Six Mile Run Park and then the rides rotate every weekend among four parks.

Old Business – Harold Brenner

Blood Drive

It will be held on Nov. 11, Veterans Day, from 7:30 – 4 pm at Centra State Hospital. If there is a guarantee of 25 donors, Centra State will stay to 7:30 pm. So far 15 people are donating. Harold passed around lists of members' phone numbers and asked for volunteers to make phone calls publicizing the event.

Clothing

Barb Bennett brought samples of clothing from Champion Systems, the vendor used by the Autism event. Lower order minimum and price, but longer delivery time of 8-10 weeks (made in China). Overall, everyone was pleased with the quality of the jerseys and shorts.

• Holiday Party - Saturday, December 11

To keep the price at the Colts Neck Inn the same as last year but adding appetizers for everyone to enjoy during the cocktail hour, Charlie suggested raising the budget from \$3300 to \$4000, a \$700 increase. This will be voted on at the November meeting.

Survey Results

Barb Bennett had 82 respondents to the online survey: 6 A+, 20 A, 21 B+, 13 B, and 22 C&D. The majority favored alternating the century locations between Washington Crossing and Bordentown. Over 80% believed the Club was doing well on the general questions of ride routes, times, etc. There was slight dissention on the away rides, so possibly for next year, away rides might be every <u>other</u> first Sunday and <u>Saturday</u> of the month. Complete survey results will be posted on the website.

New Business

• Elections – November 8

So far two people are running for vice president, and one for treasurer. They will be asked to submit a few words on why they want to serve on the Board and these will be posted on the website for everyone to read. The deadline to email an intention to run to the Nominating Committee (Sue Scarola, Barb Bennett and Steve Karger) is Oct. 31. The Committee will recommend who they feel can best serve the interests of the Club. After further discussion, it was clarified that everyone who runs has an equivalent chance to win, regardless of who the Committee recommends. Also, according to the bylaws, a nomination can be made at the meeting on Nov. 8. The bylaws may be modified next year to eliminate the last-minute nomination ability in order to provide an adequate notification period.

The meeting was adjourned.