

Minutes of JSTS Board Meeting - November 4, 2019  
Federici's Restaurant - Freehold, NJ

Call to Order: President Robert Nuara. Introduction of five board members present and thirty-two club members in attendance.

Motion made by Co-Vice President Charles Kirlew to accept the minutes of the September meeting and approved. Motion made to accept the minutes of the October meeting and approved.

No correspondence to report.

Treasurer's Report read by Treasurer, Allen Zwiebel for September and October. Suggestion made to discontinue paper bank statements and eliminate bank fee.

Motion made to accept 2 months of financial statements and accepted.

Committee Updates:

Membership - Jerry Korn. Currently 304 total members. 8 Lifetime members, 242 single members, 54 family units.

Ride Coordinator - Barb Bennett. Rides are posted for November and December. Due to limited leaders, rides have been combined to A/B+ and B/C. 4 ride options posted and group(s) can split up to ride distance they choose. The ride sheets are now being posted with Ride with GPS and the ride sheets look different. Club has purchased membership that can be accessed by members through the club account. If anyone experiences a problem with this new system, please let Barb know. Club Cost for 2019 is \$60. Club Cost for 2020 will be \$250 which will be added to the budget.

If anyone is interested in providing input for ride schedule for next year, please contact Barb.

Frostbite series will start 12/7 (the weekend after Thanksgiving) and runs through 12/29.

Old Business:

Holiday party will be on Sunday, December 8 at Knob Hill Country Club from 5:00pm - 9:00pm. Cost will be \$23 for members and \$28 for guests. New system for payment this year through Wild Apricot.

New Business;

Rob Nuara asked for a volunteer to take on the Clothing Coordinator position. The process is now much more streamlined.

Rob Nuara introduced proposal for a By Law change to adopt a member privacy policy. Group agreed that new by law would be voted on at January meeting.

Rob Nuara - Request for By Law Changes:

Due to ongoing administrative issues with our current online payment processor (Active.com), the club has been investigating alternative payment processors. After reviewing several alternatives, changes are currently underway to migrate to [Wild Apricot](#) as our new online payment processor for the 2020 membership year. We also hope to be able to take advantage of various membership management capabilities that Wild Apricot provides.

In conjunction with this change, the club would also like to move to an online-only membership application and payment process. This change is motivated by the relatively high administrative burden associated with processing paper applications. This includes the need to frequently visit our P.O. box to pick-up paper applications, as well as the effort to manually update our electronic records for each paper application we receive.

The above topics were discussed during the JSTS General Meeting in September, and both changes were universally supported by those in attendance. Consensus was that online-only registrations are the norm nowadays, and eliminating paper applications to reduce the burden on the volunteers that help our club operate is appropriate. A meeting on October 7th was conducted for the sole purpose of abiding to our JSTS By-Laws to agree to vote on the changes this evening

In order to implement these changes, minor updates are required to our bylaws. The proposed changes are shown below.

### **Article III, Section 6-Membership Application**

#### **ORIGINAL**

An application form for membership authorized by the Executive Board shall include a statement releasing the Club, its officers, members and agents from liability in case of accident, injury or misadventure in connection with Club rides and activities. Applications for Junior Members must be co-signed by the Junior Member's parent or legal guardian. Membership applications should be mailed with the appropriate fee to: Jersey Shore Touring Society, [P.O. Box 8581, Red Bank, NJ 07701](#). Membership applications may also be submitted through the on-line process which is accessible through the Club website, [www.jsts.us](http://www.jsts.us). Membership applications should not be submitted to ride leaders or other Club members at rides.

#### **PROPOSAL**

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must be co-signed by the Junior Member's parent or legal guardian. The method(s) by which membership applications can be submitted shall be defined on the club website, and may be revised as needed

Motion made to accept Article II, Section 6-Membership application change. Accepted. None opposed.

#### **Article IV, Section 1 -- Annual Dues**

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New JSTS membership fees will be \$25/single; \$35/family.

Motion made to accept the By law change to Article IV, Section 1 — Annual Dues. Accepted. None opposed.

Election and acceptance of Club Officers for 2020:

Rob Nuara - President

Mike Wood - Co-Vice President

Stacy Ropp - Co-Vice President

Sheryl Nishirua - Secretary

Alan Zwiebel - Treasurer

Next meeting will be on January 13, 2020.

Volunteer Recognition Gifts presented.

Meeting Adjourned