**Main meeting purpose*: Connect as a group, minimize housekeeping, focus on our purpose and approving a budget for 2023***

**Date**: January 5th, 2023

**Time**: 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

In Attendance: Scott, Ty, Katherine, Margaux, Steve, Paul, Angela, Stephanie, Adrian, Chip and Mike

**Minutes:**

* **Approved prior board meeting minutes from 11.17.22 and 12.18.22 meetings.**
* **Reviewed current financial statements** (Angela)
  + Loss for 2022 of around $7,000.
  + Most of the revenue is coming from membership dues.
    - If we had 200 more people sign up we would break even.
* .**Review membership** (Scott)
  + - * + 303 members signed up so far this year. Last year we had 295 members signed up at this same time.

150 members took advantage of early sign up.

* **Officials report** (Mike)
  + - * USA Cycling has updated the rule book for 2023.

USA Cycling has eliminated junior gear restriction which reflects UCI rules.

Super tuck has been banned for road racing.

* + - * + Officials Zoom call coming up in the next couple of months.
* We are short officials and need more for the coming year. **Upcoming race calendar** (next 60 days and RC3)
  + MTB racing starts in January. Last cross race on January 8th.
  + Road racing starting in March.
    - Sequim race “Tour de Dung” is on the 11th of March.
    - Two mason lakes road races: 25th of March and 1st of April.
    - Scott Met with Chuck from OBRA.
      * Should NOCAL, WA and OR coordinate events and race calendar? Chuck would like to meet with the boards within the next 4 to 6 weeks.
    - RC3 plan to host an event in September.
      * This year the Tour of Washington includes Includes Tour de Bloom, Baker City Cycling Classic and Tour of WW which take place from May to June. Considering these dates, RC3 organizers doubt people will come to their event if scheduled in May.
* **WSBA Purpose and value proposition**
  + Why do we exist?
    - Promote/Facilitate competitive bike racing a possibility.
    - Interface with USAC and maintain affiliation.
  + Behind the scenes WSBA helps facilitate the racing in the state. We need to improve communication to members and publicize the critical work conducted behind the scenes.
  + It was suggested that we pull all cycling team leaders in the state to a special session to discuss how we work together to organize more bike races.
  + Need to have someone push information out to members instead of expecting members to pull information.
  + Need to improve our communication and let people know what is happening and show what WSBA does.
  + Reviewed ByLaw definition: The purposes of the corporation shall be to promote the sport of bicycle racing, to develop national competitions and to coordinate club activities to ensure a scheduled sanctioned bicycle races as the USAC local association for the states of Washington, North Idaho an portions of Oregon outside the Southwest Idaho Cycling Association, to promote and support other bicycle racing events in those states and such other purposes as may be consistent with its qualification under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as may be amended from time to time.
* **2023 Budget Proposals and approval**
  + We have spent more than we have brought in the past 3 years but we still have a surplus of around $80,000.
  + Costs wrapped up into stipends and president. Do we push some of this money back into WSBA and discontinue stipends
    - * Scott will send out the email in January with a provisional budget. This will be a bridge until we finalize the budget.
      * The board will meet in the next 90 days to finalize the budget for 2023.
    - Flat budget would be an interim budget. Board discussed increasing the marketing budget.
    - Adjourn at 8:22pm