

# Lehigh Wheelmen Association

## Group Ride/COVID Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2020

### In Attendance:

*(Bolded people were in attendance)*

**Board members:** Rich Ferrera (President), **Roberta Kates** (Vice President Racing), **Kathy Crampton** (Vice President Touring), **Christine Penn** (Secretary), **Dave Sheffield** (Treasurer), Richard Baldock (Membership Administrator), **Rob Smith** (Assistant Membership Administrator), Dave Drummer (Website Manager), **Bert Mukkulainen** (Board Member), **Dick McCreight** (Board Member), **Larry Pickens** (Board Member), Bruce Kantor (Board Member)

**Also present:** Carl Zvanut, Mike Solliday, Sally Wright, Clyde Odom, Greg Schnabel, Jean Black, Fritz Walker, Donalee Frary, Robert Phillips, Call in User 3, Martha Miller, Anne Ferrera, **Sue Smith**, Claire Aylward, Valerie Ryder, Jack Helffrich

(Online Meeting)

#### 1. Call to Order:

Rich Ferrara started the meeting at 7:35 pm

#### 2. Intro:

Rich Ferrara explained new Zoom Pro account purchased for LWA. No limitations – won't get kicked off, allows for up to 150 participants.

Rich's wife is school teacher. How the various districts handle decisions are different. Come up with varying solutions; All Remote, Hybrid (in school and remote), etc. All orgs have to make these decisions based on similar data.

Looked at the Morning Call for additional data points and ran across a quote from Mike Schlossberg in regards to COVID – "No good decisions; only slightly less bad ones."

Rich met with Kathy Crampton and Dave Sheffield for 45 minutes earlier today. Considered all inputs to date...and came to a conclusion.

Turned it over to Kathy for discussion

#### 3. Kathy Crampton – leading COVID Discussion for new ride rules

Bert asked about Governor Wolf details.

Governor Wolf stated that hospitals were starting to get overwhelmed. In the need for the greater community, he was imposing restrictions to help weather the spike in cases, by shutting down/limiting public gatherings. K-12 sports are shutdown, but the one that mostly applies to us is the Outdoor Limit, which is set at 50

However, riding is not a necessity and group rides are likely risky at this point.

Proposal is to suspend/no more posted rides online, following along the guidelines of the Governor Wolf's intention of serving a greater community purpose. Proposal is to follow this at least to Jan 4.

We believe it shows our responsibility for everyone and limits our liability. (Don't want someone getting injured on a ride only to have to go to an emergency room overwhelmed with COVID patients.)

Initial vote was taken on the Proposal – All in agreement – No opposed.

Roberta raised that we should officially raise a motion to cease all rides

Dave Sheffield first, Larry Pickens seconded.

All were in favor, no opposed, no one abstained. Motion passes.

Rich addressed that Larry had raised about putting proposal to a membership vote. We had not done that prior, felt that the board should make the decision and that we were not opening it up to all membership for the decision.

Donalee has a ride scheduled for tomorrow. Kathy will take care of canceling/notification of the decision.

Rich will notify Dave Drummer to post blog, email, and Meetup notification.

All board/leaders should back up Kathy and Rich on the decision. (Best way for an organization to run.)

Meeting was adjourned @ 7:55 PM.

Minutes submitted by Secretary Christine Penn, December 11th, 2020

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