



Wednesday, October 14, 2015 - 7:00pm
830 W. Olive Ave. Merced, CA
August Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 7:08PM.

Attendees:

Marty Thompson Dwight Ewing Justin Hicks
Diane Thompson Madison Toel

- 1) Minutes from August and September.
 - Forthcoming when secretary retrieves notes.
- 2) Treasurer's Report
 - i. The coalition has \$877.65 per Tom Hothem's email update. (Justin would like it noted we have an additional \$800 or so coming in from our 501©3 reimbursement.
- 3) Discussion:
 - a) Bicycle Advisory Commission updates
 - There are 3 vacancies on the commission: committee and members find it difficult or impossible to serve, as it meets during normal work hours.
 - b) October 17th: Downtown Ride for DNA (Downtown Neighborhood Association)
 - Will meet at 10:00AM at the Applegate park flagpole.
 - c) Lights on After School, 10/22.
 - Tom, Hannah, Mills, and Madison will volunteer.
 - Booth set up and take-down was discussed and arranged.
 - d) Nominations for 2016 to prep for November 14th elections.
 - It was noted we should try and convince/recruit Karen.
 - e) Pedal Merced De-brief
 - Grievances were listed by MBC members regarding Pedal Merced:

1. Safety issues were not resolved this year (cyclists were riding on the left-hand shoulder, unsafe routes, etc....)
2. No logo of the MBC was advertised.
3. No thank-you's have ever been received by the MB from pedal Merced.
4. No "passports" and games and children's activities were present this year.
5. Definite room for overall improvement was noted.
6. Routing was a serious issue.
7. "Explorers" were not always properly and safely directing riders.

f) Fund Allocations:

- Misc. funds were discussed to recognize substantial benefactors of the coalition. A \$100 motion was unanimously approved.
- \$50 for potluck was unanimously approved (Justin will generously provide flatware).

4) Announcements and Upcoming Events and Rides

- Madison noted possible restructuring of monthly meetings to include rides with business meetings, in order to vamp up our meetings attendance and fun-factor. Perhaps business meetings can begin after a ride and over a meal.
- Mills showcased a goat-head picker-upper.
- Love Merced: club members agreed it would be advisable and fun to participate this coming year.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:20PM.