

Bike to the Future Monthly Meeting

November 22, 2011 – 7:15 to 7:45 PM

Sport for Life Centre, 145 Pacific Ave

Minutes

Directors:

Present: Loren Braul (meeting co-chair), Tom McMahon (meeting co-chair), Curt Hull, Kevin Miller, Liz Erickson, Charles Feaver, Mark Cohoe, Dave Elmore, Chris Chypyha, Barrett Ens, Bill Newman

Absent: Shona Kusyk

Members:

Present: Rosanne Ritchot (office administrator), Janice Lukes, Gary Liao, Philip Wolfart, Bryan Goods, Ted Mann, Shannon Keys, Gareth Simons, George Clark, Nathan Wild, Guy Madill, Bev Peters, Cara Fisher, Bob Kury

Regrets: Mark Wiehler, Jeremy Hull, Jackie Avent, Don English, Kevin Champagne

Non-members: Paula Hrynkow, Joel Stelpstra

Note: For all items listed as "(update)", please see the minutes from [previous months' meetings](#).

1. Minutes from the October Monthly Meeting

- The minutes, which have been posted for three weeks at <http://biketothefuture.org/about/meetings>, were approved by consensus.

2. Our priorities for 2012

- Tom & Loren asked for ideas. The following ideas were suggested:
 - More engagement with motorists.
 - More dialogue with cycling communities: a spring event?, a fall forum, a bike ride (Ride of Silence)?
 - Funds development. Obtain charitable tax status by partnering with the Manitoba Recreational Trails Association who has charitable tax status.
 - Determine goals and an action plan.
 - Maintain pressure on the City:
 - Pembina Underpass, rapid transit phase 2, CPR Yards barrier to the North End.
 - Public consultations must be meaningful. The City should publish comments from the consultations.
 - Better signage of routes
 - Better timing of bicycle infrastructure. (Don't always do bike projects in the fall.)
 - BttF directors should volunteer at events to stay connected.
- Tom's ideas:
 - Create a set of policy positions.
 - Ask ourselves: What am I going to volunteer to do this year? (We all have to sign up for something.)
- Loren's ideas:
 - More focus on Safety & Education.
 - Ask ourselves: What can **we** do? (We all want the City & Province to do something.)

3. MEC Snowfest on Saturday November 26 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the MEC store – Curt Hull

- Curt and two other volunteers will be there with our mobile display unit (trailer). He could use another volunteer.

4. Communications student (update) – Tom McMahon

- Paula Hrnkow helped us draft a [response \(document\) to the City's Transportation Master Plan](#). She is also reviewing our website and will communicate her findings. (Done.)

5. Centreport (update) – Janice Lukes

- Janice briefly summarized her status report (attached).

6. City Committee report (attached) – Mark Cohoe

7. Financial reports (attached) – Liz Erickson

Our next Monthly Meeting is on Tuesday January 10 at 5:30 at the Sport For Life Centre.