August 14, 2019 | SLCBAC Meeting Minutes

Present: Blair Tomten, Adan Carrillo, Marcus Kaller, Eric Kraan, Alex Parker, Mike Mikhalev, Alex Degnan

Absent: Martin Gregory, AJ Martine, Dixie Harris, Ja’rell Watts (excused), Jill Jensen (excused)

5:30 pm Welcome and Introductions

5:35 pm Approval of Minutes

- March minutes (with edits) were unanimously approved.
- July minutes were unanimously approved.
- Marcus and Jared will work to get minutes for January and April.

5:40 pm Thank you to Phil Sarnoff

- Phil Sarnoff (Executive Director of Bike Utah) is moving out of state and will be transitioning away from Bike Utah. Blair thanked Phil and presented a thank you card. Phil thanked the committee and the county for their partnerships and the relationships over the years and for holding Bike Utah accountable. Phil highlighted the need for continuous support and encourages everyone to continue to our goals and objectives.

5:45 pm Public Comments

- Dave Iltis (Cycling Utah), commented about the upcoming press event in Saratoga Springs for an intersection with bike friendly design at Pioneer Crossing and Redwood Road. CFI, Continuous Flow Intersection. (Blair did design of the intersection and spent time explaining some features).
- Dave Iltis (Cycling Utah), told Shireen Ghorbani about this committee. She is interested in coming/being invited to the next meeting.
- Phil Sarnoff (Bike Utah), WFRC Funding for AT is coming up. Herriman is the only community without a AT Plan in Salt Lake County.
- Dave Iltis reminded SLCBAC about the remaining open houses about the Salt Lake County Trails Plan and encouraged people to attend to provide feedback.
- Blair talked about the 2000 East project in SLC and encouraged people to take the survey to provide feedback to city officials. She also talked about her experience when traveling along this street.

5:55 pm Bruce Holyoak (Murray City) on Trail Maintenance

- Maintenance is constant. They hire people to control puncture vine. They work hard to keep puncture vine off the trail. Very actively maintaining this.
- Boardwalk is used as nature preserve for student education, wildlife viewing. Sign to walk bike, many cyclists don’t walk.
Boardwalk gets icy quick because it is elevated. Snow removal is tricky on the boardwalk. Over time the rough surface used originally on boardwalk has gotten smoothed out. Important for cyclist safety that they walk. Snow is all plowed and removed in Murray city sections of the Jordan River. Boardwalks require a snow-blower instead of a plow. Snow gets pounded down quick so they get out early to try and plow beforehand. Blair asked what the best way is to report maintenance needs along the trail within the Murray segment. Jared will provide Bruce’s contact information so SLCBAC members can contact him at any time.

6:10 pm Chair Report & Action Updates by SLCBAC members

- Blair provided an update about the event opportunities for SLCBAC to volunteer in Millcreek.
- Blair asked SLCBAC for a grant $1234.56 to attend the APBP conference in Portland on 08/24-28/2019. She will put together a presentation about what she learns based on new design techniques and trends.
- Alex Parker provided an update about linking to Bike Utah’s calendar page and they agreed to let us do that. Jared is looking into allowing our website to link to their page upon visitors clicking our website to send them to one location. Alex will be our contact to provide event information and to include it on Bike’s Utah calendar page. Alex put together a flowchart to provide prospect members to they’re aware what our expectations are for anybody joining SLCBAC.
- SLCBAC approved the new onboarding process for new members unanimously.
- Eric gave an update about the upcoming Dimple Dell project to improve conditions for pedestrians and bicyclists. Helen will have Madeleine from SL County Planning to come to the SLCBAC meeting in September to explain more about the Counties objectives for the Dimple Dell roadway project.
- Mike Mikhalev obtained contact information for the scooter companies in Salt Lake City and to find out what kind of agreements they have in place with the different cities they’re a part of.
- Adan talked about the fix-it-stations, GIS based interface Jared produced to keep track of fix-it-stations needs, locations, inventory, etc. Jared will share a list of possible places we could help re-stock current fix-it-stations. Adan will write an article to solicit partnerships to be published on Utah Cycling Magazine.

6:50 pm County Updates

- Jared provided a county update about the Mayor’s confirmation on potential SLCBAC members. The county will purchase four additional bike counters so that other organizations and cities can use them on loan. Move Utah is working with AASHTO to create a nationally designated bicycle route that crosses the state from North to South. WFRC moved up the deadline date to apply for funding towards the construction of bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Jared also provided a list of biking events in the state.
7:00 pm Interviews of Potential SLCBAC Candidates

- Ben Lehnardt introduced himself and shared his desired to join SLCBAC and his reasoning behind it. Ben is a Master in Real Estate / Law student at the University of Utah. He grew up in Sandy/Millcreek but lives off Foothill Dr. in SLC now.
- Ben Lehnardt talked about his potential advocating contributions to the committee and the need to increase our reach in social media. Ben would feel comfortable jumping into bicycle advocacy at the state level. There was a short discussion about legalization of stop signs to be used as yields for bikes.
- Benjamin Riley introduced himself and shared his desired to join SLCBAC and his reasoning behind it. Ben R. lives in Sandy and commutes once or twice a week to work in Lehi. He has lived outside the country and seen the benefits of cycling in other places. He wants to improve biking infrastructure in Utah to increase the number of people biking in the state.
- Benjamin Riley has strong communication skills and is also able to contribute via bicycle advocacy.

7:25 pm Budget Discussion

- The committee approved Blair’s travel expenses to the Portland conference for $1234.56 unanimously. Blair abstained from voting.