

## **Chicago Area Tandem Society (CATS)**

### Meeting Minutes

October 23, 2016

Next meeting: Annual Meeting, Date To Be Announced

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Hank Gentry called the meeting to order at 2:19 PM with 30 members in attendance. All members introduced themselves.

#### **I. Approval of Minutes:**

The minutes of the 2016 annual meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

#### **II. Treasurer's Report:**

Mary Jane Cross gave the Treasurer's Report showing that the club currently has \$10,804.00 in the bank. The report was approved as submitted.

#### **III. Special Rides Report:**

- A. Blind Stoker Rides. John Loesch reported on the Blind Stoker rides for the year. Two were rained out and three were cancelled because there were not enough participants.
- B. M-22 Ride. Jim Click reported on the M-22 Ride in Michigan. The ride was 325 miles with nine teams, including two MUTS.
- C. MTR 2016 Recap. CATS had 20 or 22 attendees. The area had trails everywhere and the lighted ride was spectacular.
- D. MTR 2017. The ride will be in Dublin, OH. The host hotel is a Marriott. Rooms are \$129 and Wi-Fi costs \$6.95 per day. The Hyatt is still available and cheaper.

#### **IV. Publicity Report:**

Ford Sakata reviewed the publicity efforts that have been accomplished thus far. He has printed rack cards that will be put out in the various bicycle stores in the spring. He also has business cards printed for members to pass out when they meet other tandem teams. Any help in putting the word out would be greatly appreciated.

#### **V. Communications Report:**

The transition of this responsibility from Sam Waterstreet to Jim Click is on-going.

#### **VI. Old Business:**

- A. Brian Patterson is assuming responsibility for the club jerseys.
- B. There will be no Prairie State Tandem Rally unless someone steps forward to run it.

#### **VII. Election of Officers:**

Current board members had agreed to stand for election again this year except Dave Dockstader who attempted to withdraw from the election. That was apparently not acceptable and he reluctantly agreed to serve one more year. Hank then reviewed the slate of volunteer candidates for the positions. They were:

President	Hank Gentry
Vice President	Karen Click
Treasurer	Mary Jane Cross
Communications Director	Sam Waterstreet
Secretary	Dave Dockstader
Member-at-Large	Brian Patterson

No other candidates were nominated. There being no other nominations, the slate of officers was elected by voice acclamation. Newly elected officers will assume their responsibilities as of January 1, 2017.

**VIII. Remaining Rides and Activities:**

Ford Sakata announced the Holiday Ride in Arlington on December 10, 2016, starting at 5:00 PM in Arlington and everyone is invited. The Christmas party will be December 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM at Frank and Sheila Mueller's.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



David L. Dockstader  
Secretary