

Twin Cities Unicycle Club
Operating Committee Meeting Minutes June 12, 2021
Zoom

Members present:

Julie Alt, Vice President
Emily Johnson, Secretary
Ryan Wood, Treasurer
Connie Cotter, Freestyle Team Leader
Derek Skroch, Junior Officer
Chad Ward, Member at Large

Members excused:

Adam Nigon, Member at Large
Jenni Runyan, Member at Large
Ben Runyan, Junior Officer
Katy Runyan, Junior Officer
Mike Schatz, Member at Large
Joe Schatz, Junior Officer

Call To Order

Vice President Julie Alt called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Parades

There are many parades happening that we should be able to do safely. We've been invited to new parades and some of our usual ones.

Ryan thinks Columbia Heights is a good one to start with because it's a popular one. Julie says we can withdraw last minute if we need to, the parade director understands our situation. We will send out an RSVP survey on Facebook to start, possibly by email after depending on responses on Facebook.

The following parades were discussed, with the following decisions made:

Medford 6/18/2021 - No, we will not do this parade

Columbia Heights 6/25/2021 - Yes, we will do this parade

Chanhassen (\$600) 7/4/2021 - Yes, Julie will apply and check with them about their flexibility regarding backing out

Maple Grove 7/15/2021 Thursday - No, we will not do this parade

Lakeville 7/10/2021 Saturday - Yes, Julie will apply

New Brighton 8/14/2021 - Yes, Julie will apply

Vadnais Heights 8/15/2021 - No, we will not do this parade

State Fair, date TBD - Yes, Julie will apply for the first Friday of the fair

Osseo 9/11/2021 - Holding off until later to decide on September parades.

St Helena 9/18/2021 - Date not certain. Holding off until later to decide on September parades.

North St Paul 9/23/2021 - Holding off until later to decide on September parades.

Much discussion ensued, with the following takeaways:

- Connie suggested we all need to reach out to people personally to attend parades. She questioned how picky we need to be about membership status. After discussion, it was determined that we can allow non-members to participate in parades as long as they wear the uniform.
- Julie questioned how we should manage parade incentives. After discussing our options and how our children feel, we will keep it at a DQ card after 3 parades.
- We need to change our water routine due to Covid. We can ask people to bring their own water labeled with their name that will be kept in the wagon, and we can bring some extra in case people forget.

- Julie will bring the sign, wagons, etc to the first parade. We will need to schedule parade managers for future parades.
- Connie is happy to ride her 6' giraffe, and maybe taller if there are enough other tall giraffe riders. We will talk to other giraffe riders to get participants. Connie will act as giraffe wrangler with support from others.
- At each parade, we will alter the routine as necessary to accommodate the comfort levels of those in attendance with regards to proximity and hand-holding. Masks are optional but recommended for those who are not vaccinated.

Julie moved to approve the list of parades above, and Ryan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presidential Vacancy

Our president has stepped down. Julie is willing to take on the title but not all the responsibilities, and thus assumes the role per our bylaws. Connie has access to the email service already and will email the club and ask for volunteers to fill the vice president role.

Non-profit status

We need to file our non-profit status again, Ryan will look into this.

Adjournment

Acting president Julie Alt adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Emily Johnson