

## Newport Recreation Meeting Notes

May 19, 2022

### Attendance:

Jaime Comtois, Matt Kiley, Nick Whitehouse, Jennifer Smith

### Members of the Community:

Mike Brown

### Debrief of the bike Rodeo:

Bevin: She liked how we had a lot of volunteers and the timing was good. Wanted to know if there would be a budget next year?

Locomotion doesn't like community bike rodeos, they want her to be more connected with the schools. At times they don't always pay her for her time for community rodeos, but she did get paid for this one. She thought it would be nice to have a bike fleet there next time. She didn't seem to like that the police were telling the kids different things than she was telling them. The police missed the orientation so that didn't help. She liked that we had a volunteer mechanic.

Jaime's suggestion was that we connect her with schools the week or 2 weeks before so she can get the word out and get kids excited about the bike rodeo. That way more kids would be reached and this would make Locomotion happy.

### Here is the email debrief from Northern Counties Health Care:

We are so happy that we were able to be at the meeting. It was wonderful to see so many kids/families! I can tell everyone had a great time! From what I could see, you all did a great job and it was a well-organized event!

It was wonderful to have community partners there, and to be able to provide so many free goodies to attendees.

The weather was great too! :)

A big thank you to Community National Bank for the delicious lunch.

It seems like it worked well to have families sign up for a time slot - that way you knew what to expect, and had a steady flow of kids for the event.

If you have it be just an open event - where people come at any time without signing up, one suggestion would be to offer a lunch - hot dogs and hamburgers? Could be a fundraiser for your committee or another group.

Thanks again - and please keep us in mind for future events!

Have a great week,  
Brynn

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Jenn - Loved seeing kids practicing on the course and getting better each time. How can we word the flyer? Course Orientation starts at 10 am. That way people during that time slot will be better prepared.

Jaime - LIke the extra bikes and the bike raffle

We will do thank you cards at the next meeting when Deb can get us a list of volunteers and addresses.

Mother/Son Father/Daughter Dances

Discussion of raffle items - Jaime suggested we purchase \$100 of Downtown Dollars for each dance. 4 mothers would receive \$25. Mike would be for the F/D and we would buy for M/S.

Food would be a buffett. Mike has purchased kid gifts, decorations, and is looking into buying a Hawaiian backdrop for pics.

There is a coin drop for the Rec. Dept on Jun 11, 2022 . Mike is in need of volunteers. Jaime will email to see who can help.

Next meeting will be Jun 23, 2022 . We will be able to debrief the dances at this meeting.