

## Draft Minutes for Tuesday, September 4, 2007 BABC Board Meeting

**Attendees:** Caryl Gay, Sabrina Merlo, Deb Hubsmith, Robert Raburn, Lou Penning, Andy Thornley, Carolyn Helmke, Cole Portocarrero, Mark Birnbaum, Chris Culver, Carol Levine

### Consent Calendar – ITEMS approved

Approve minutes of July 10, 2007 Board meeting

Financial statement from Treasurer

### Actions / Reports / Updates

#### Executive Director's Report

- BABC has lost their lease on new space. Cole is looking for other alternatives
- SFF Grant application resolution-BABC was asked to continue on the application process. **MOTION:** Authorize executive director to submit capacity building grant application. Motion Passed
- Alex Zuckerman Award-Cole to work with Robert to coordinate this effort with EBBC who has had similar discussions. Robert will contact Alex's family. The hope is to announce this award at his memorial on Sept 15.
- BTWD-Cole working on 2008 with MTC. For 2009, the contract will most likely go out for open bid. TAC should start meeting in early October.
- Increase your Membership Workshop will be held on October 9 at SFBC offices.
- Go Greenbelt – Cole has met with Greenbelt Alliance and Grizzly Peak Cyclists. They would like to continue the Go Greenbelt event but don't have the staff or network support. BABC will offer our support and assistance in getting the word out for next year's ride if Greenbelt Alliance continues in 2008, but we are unable to take on a significant role right now; we want to utilize our strategic planning process to set new priorities.
- Interbike-Cole has made a proposal to attend Interbike to connect with and create more relationships with the bicycle industry. Cole is looking for board input on whether to attend this event. **MOTION:** Support Cole to attend Interbike up to \$600. Motion Passed.

#### Advocacy Committee Report / Discussion / Action Items:

- Adopt BABC platform re: MTC Regional Transportation Plan (T2035) – Goal is to approve this platform tonight in preparation for the following 2 meetings. October 26, 2007 is MTC/ABAC RTP summit with officials and is open to the public (reservations required). Nov 28, 2007 is MTC commissioners retreat to discuss RTP priorities. BABC board members should plan to talk with their commissioners between those 2 dates; we will hold a telephone training workshop on how to do this. Asking for more investment in bike/ped improvements, improved planning and policies, more education and promotion, and improved data collection. BABC also relates our platform to broad MTC goals for Environment, Economy and Equity. Platform includes a needs statement, more detail about each of the requests and contact list. Board members provided some additional input for items to add to the platform, but agreed with the overall framework. **MOTION:** To adopt this platform with the additions that were mentioned. Motion Passed.
- Endorse TALC RTP (T2035) platform – TALC looking for endorsement of this document as they move forward with their efforts. **MOTION:** Endorse the TALC platform. Motion Passed.

- Discuss plan for advocacy on RTP-
  - Need for all local coalitions to adopt both BABC and TALC platforms ASAP – TALC is doing a press event in mid-October.
  - Outreach to MTC Commissioners-Each coalition needs to meet with their commissioner. Advocacy Committee will provide talking points and a telephone conference training on how to talk to Commissioners.
  - Working w/ Congestion Management Agencies-Be in touch with your CMA and get their support for bike/ped improvements in the RTP. Attend meetings, etc.
- Update on the Regional Bicycle Plan-Sabrina noted that MTC is getting new cost numbers for projects to complete the bicycle network in RBP that is currently being updated. Draft will be available in January 2008. Regional Bicycle Working Group is monitoring this revision.
- Update on Complete Streets Checklist-Information will be hosted by MTC and will be posted on the CMA websites. Looking at a way to send email notification when new projects come up for review by BPACs. Expanded web help for the form is also being created
- Update on Legislation-Things not going well at the State level through the Senate Appropriations Committee. Safe Routes to School funding was removed from the AB57 bill by the Committee. The Senate Leadership wants to assess the actual funding dollars each year as part of the new budget. Advocates are being asked to call and ask for funding to be replaced. Also the Committee has now placed Complete Streets bill (AB 1358 on hold in the Appropriations Suspense file. Advocates should call their state Senators and ask that this legislation be removed from Hold. Bicycle Transportation Account (AB 534) has been renamed and may be in jeopardy, but 7.2 Million is in the state budget this year.

Budget & Finance Committee -Committee will be meeting in late October and will have draft FY 2008 budget for the board to review and adopt in November.

Strategic Plan Committee Report – On hold until results of San Francisco Foundation grant application.

Events & Programs Committee Report – See Alex Zuckermann and Go Greenbelt reports

Personnel Committee Report – Working on timing of employee reviews and possible salary increases in conjunction with 2008 budget. It was recommended that the employee review take place before the Budget meeting.

Fundraising Committee Report – Corinne has volunteered to be chair. The committee will meet and come up with some proposals.

Caltrans District 4 mtg – Next meeting is October 17<sup>th</sup>. (1:30 pm at 111 Grand Ave, Oakland)  
Number of issues to be discussed but having difficulty getting response from Caltrans and MTC.

### **Next Meeting**

Set next meeting date: Tuesday **November 13, 2007** 6:30 pm @ Wilbur Smith Associates