BPAC General Meeting Minutes
March 18, 2015
10:30am to 12:00pm
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1. Welcome and Introduction – Debbie Kingsland
   a. NJDOT update – funding opportunities for shovel-ready projects are available
      i. Language coming out soon

2. Revision of Draft Bylaws – Susan Blickstein
   a. Minor changes based on previous discussions
   b. Conflict of interest language for subcommittee members and executive council changed
      i. Should discuss at next subcommittee meeting
   c. Restriction of lobbying discussion (addition of section 7)
      i. Cannot name specific law number or name
   d. Living document, meant to evolve as BPAC evolves (section 8)
   e. Issue of meeting per year
      i. Bylaws state at least 4, more could be added with demand
   f. Result: Bylaws adopted unanimously by council

   a. Is finished and available on DOT website
   b. Will come up with performance measures
   c. Includes toolbox to help guide committees
   d. Others will disseminate its presence via social media, etc.

4. Subcommittee reports – Various subcommittee leaders
   a. Design and Infrastructure
      i. Update from NJDOT projects – safe routes to transit
      ii. Discussion about bicycle parking
      iii. Bikes on shoulders legality
      iv. Data standardization; collecting data to compare apples to apples
   b. Legislative subcommittee
      i. Resolution proposal: The need for legislation that advances pedestrian and bicycle access and safety needs
         1. Concern about freedom to endorse resolution without talking to organization boards and directors.
         2. Result: Tabled to next meeting so council can discuss with their agencies
ii. Title 39: Consensus that there needs to be a review that leads to actions – ebikes, definition of ebikes, bicycle bells, clarification of 39:1-1, clarifying use of shoulders

iii. School policies on bicycling and walking – DOT inventory, researching the impact of school policies

c. Education and Outreach
   i. Resolution proposal: The need for the inclusion of bicycle traffic laws in the NJ Drivers Manual
      1. Discussed need for resolution
      2. Will share chapter that has previously been drafted
      3. Side discussion on need for resolutions
         a. Acts as documentation of BPAC progress and accomplishments
      4. Result: Tabled to next meeting for same reason as other resolution
   ii. Driver education program in New Jersey

d. Safety
   i. High crash locations
   ii. NJDOT safety webpage
   iii. Bicycle and pedestrian counts; lack of them, those which exist not cataloged in the same place, not standardized.
      1. Talk to DOT and Infrastructure subcommittee

5. Future subcommittee meetings to be determined by each group

6. Public comment period
   a. No public comment

7. CyclePhilly Presentation – Greg Krykewycz, DVRPC
   a. Shows rider type, trip reason, transit connection
   b. Standard counts show how weather and events affect trips, but not the full story
   c. App works in conjunction with stationary counts and census
   d. Can be sued with demand models for routing preferences
      i. Allows to compare shortest route with actual router taken

8. Next meeting tentatively scheduled for June 11, 2015