

HCC Board Meeting minutes 2015-03-15

HCC board members present:

- Ben Wedge
- Emily Macdonald
- Blair Barrington
- Peter Henry
- Shauna Wadden
- Terry Walker
- Adam Fine

Review of letter to Halifax Transit

The board reviewed Ben's letter to Halifax Transit regarding the pending network redesign. The letter was written in support of partner organization It's More Than Buses, which advocates for better transit.

Suggested by board:

- add 6th class of bus stop which includes bike parking
- change "sheltered" bicycle parking to "lockered"
- strong support for rolling out network redesign **all at once** rather than piecemeal over 6 years
- add paragraph on "why cyclists care about buses and walking" (and not just cycling)

Ben will draft a final letter to send around to the board.

Naming for Bikefest

The only issue requiring a decision was regarding the name of the festival: the board preferred "Halifax Bicycle Expo". It was also advised that "presented by HCC" be added to connect the festival with its presenting organization.

Partnerships

The board supported "Bicycle Friendly Business" as the brand under which interested businesses can show their support for cycling. Cyclesmith is already confirmed as a partner and North Brewing is likely to sign on. Discussions are ongoing with Patagonia.

Truck Sideguards

Working towards the Oct 2015 election, the board would like to lobby the federal government for transportation rule changes requiring trucks to have sideguards.

Ben will forward information to Terry in order to make a request to Active Transportation Advisory Committee/Halifax to have a feasibility study done of municipal truck sideguard regulations.

Governance Changes

Ben proposed a new model for governance of the HCC to be presented at the AGM in June. The board recommended the changes in theory, but preferred a two-layer model (no operations committee) to the 3-layer model as proposed.

Board requested policy regarding waivers of fees for organizations and individuals - dealing with how decisions to waive fees are arrived at.

Recruitment

The board discussed the open spot which will be available on the executive, and which must be filled on June 30, 2015. Members of the board will make suggestions as they arise.

Next Meeting: 21 Apr 2015 @ TEAL Architects, 5880 Spring Garden Rd., 7pm

Meeting adjourned circa 9:30pm.