

WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 01/12/09

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:31 p.m.

ATTENDEES: 44

GUESTS: Vito Salterio

MOMENT OF SILENCE

BLESSING: Len Punzel

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Luke Stocker

MISSION STATEMENT: Billie Jean

READING OF THE MINUTES:

Minutes from 12/9/08. Will check with 2008 Secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you cards from John L. Scott and Chris "Thunder" Ryder, Solicitation for donation from Hillsboro Domestic Violence Resource Center

COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS: ROGER YARNELL

Great turnout for our first meeting of the year. The run committee is already busy working on this year's events. Anyone wishing to help is welcome to join the run committee. In the interest of respecting people's time and keeping the meetings concise, there are a couple of protocol changes we'd like to see: Officer's, please limit reports to your area of responsibility and save questions to address at the end of the report. Vice Coordinator Jim will act as parliamentarian and take a more active role in keeping the meetings on course, without being too strict or eliminating the fun.

OFFICER REPORTS:

VICE COORDINATOR:

JIM HENDERSON

Want to remind everyone that we have agreed to support only one charitable organization per year. We need to be thinking about which organization that will be so it can be voted on at a meeting in the near future.

TREASURER:

SHARON YARNELL

Deposits: \$153 Products from toy run, \$92 products from meetings, \$100 from the 50/50 account

Expenses: \$16.80 to Chris Daley for postage, \$250 PrimeTime for ½ the elections meeting dinner, \$25 to ABATE for Birthday party sanctioning, \$3,350 to Paul Hering for the new "not-so-ugly" trailer!

Balance: \$4,000 seed money for EOS, working balance = \$2,567.61

Will have advance tickets for the birthday party available in the next week or two. Discount prices for advance tickets. Buy early and buy often!

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:

ED VAUGHN

Excused, no report

STATE BOARD REP:

ALLAN NICHOLS

State recording secretary requests chapter officer lists ASAP. The Bear Hollow contract for Fossil has been reduced from 5 years to 2 years due to delinquent expenses. Gene Mortimer is presenting our donation for the restrooms and working on storage for equipment in Fossil. Sanctioning is in process

and the insurance has been paid. The Fossil Run Coordinator position is still open. Asking for volunteers to coordinate games at Fossil and work the membership booth. Linda Henderson, state membership secretary, will not be able to be at Fossil this year. State treasurer is missing some 2007 YE financial statements, including one from WaCo. Bills in the works this year: vulnerable user, helmet choice, HR1022 – banning firearms at will. Share The Road program begins March 1. (see new business). State Quartermaster position is vacant. Ted Tracy was elected Vice Coordinator North. The previously-approved funds for BikePac have not been paid for 2007, 2008, 2009. \$6,000 in funds released for 2007; \$6,000 to be paid after Fossil for 2008. Linda Marteney was officially removed as State Historian. Spring Swap Meet is April 5 – asking for volunteers for parking and cleanup.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

RICH VIRCHOW

The birthday party is sanctioned. Flyers are on the bar. Working on sanctioning for the Roll 'N Ride.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:

CINDY HENDERSON

Members 286

Drawing \$ 76.50

EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

TED TRACY

STEAM has been changed from February 14 to February 21 at the Hillsboro Elks. Food is included. Keynote speaker is Slider Gilmore and he is excellent. Don't miss this incredible opportunity. Be aware of debris on the roads with winter riding. Choose routes carefully and stay away from high-impact weather areas. NHTSA is trying to require DOT stickers to be embedded in helmets. Join MRF!

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: VACANT

WEBPAGE EDITOR:

ROBERT BEADLE

Need new officer's information. Check out the website and fill in any missing information. Will update the legislative page soon.

QUARTERMASTER:

PAUL HERING

We have a new "Not-So-Ugly" trailer! It's a 2006 Interstate, tandem-axle. 7 ft. wide, 6' 10" high inside. See photos. Assembling small team to design the build out. It's located at Paul's shop in Cornelius for anyone wishing to arrange to see it in person.

HISTORIAN:

TRACE CECCACCI

Excused, no report

CHAPTER PRODUCTS:

DAVE MEEKER

Absent, no report

WAYS & MEANS:

LUKE STOCKER

Balance \$ 1,073.00

Need auction/prize donations for the birthday party. Bring them to Tina. Buy tickets at break.

RUN COORDINATOR:

LEN PUNZEL

Plaque presentation to Demarini Sports for their support of our Toy Run. Gearing up for a good year. The birthday party planning is in process – we need donations for the auctions, volunteers for set-up and clean-up, and working on an MC. Working on some new, fun things for this year.

RUN COORDINATOR II:

JOHN KITTSON

No Report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Cindy: Membership drive runs from 12/1/08 through 8/31/09. Each person on an application counts as one person. Renewing members must be expired for at least 3 months to qualify. Any new member that Cindy signs up herself will not count toward the drive. Winner receives 2 entries and 2 run t-shirts to 2009 EOS.

NEW BUSINESS:

Patricia Carner: Share the Road program begins March 1. Sign campaign includes several signs designed to raise awareness of road users other than cars, including motorcycles. Small signs available to post in our meeting areas, local businesses that support ABATE. Larger signs will be posted at rest areas. Signs available to post on private property along the roads, with permission (about the size of political sign). Would like each chapter to be responsible for posting 20 signs, and hopefully donate to the state the cost of the sign (\$5 each).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Jordan: Black Monday was today at the state capitol. Minimal turnout, only about 20 ABATE members. Very disappointing for those who took time to be there. Next opportunity to participate is January 29, 2009: Get to Know Your Legislator Day. 8:00 a.m. BikePac will have an information room available.

LoCo Chapter crab feed February 14 prior to Sweethearts Dance.

Crab Feed on January 24 6:00-8:00 in North Plains to benefit the Senior Center. \$25 all you can eat. Stewart Stiles donated over 30 cases of food to the Hillsboro Elks in our name for their Christmas basket program. They would like help with parking for their Papa's Toys event in May.

Swap Meet is April 5. Please volunteer to help.

NCOM meeting is May 7-11, 2009 in Reno, NV.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME: January 26, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. PrimeTime in Forest Grove

50/50 DRAWING: \$32.00 Gunny

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING: \$76.50 Suzanne Estrada was not present to win.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Virchow

Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary