

WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 10/12/09

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDEES: 43

GUESTS:

MOMENT OF SILENCE

BLESSING: Len Punzel
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Bill Michels
MISSION STATEMENT: Rich Virchow
READING OF THE MINUTES: Margo Virchow

CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from Luke Stocker

COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS:

ROGER YARNELL

Please plan to attend either the State Planning Session or the NCOM convention. Both are the weekend of Oct. 17. NCOM is here in Portland: 10:00 Holiday Inn on 85th and NE Columbia. The Planning Session is in Cottage Grove: 8:00 breakfast, 9:00 meeting. Nominations for Chapter Officer Elections will begin in November. We have a list of Officer duty descriptions here on the table for anyone who may be interested. Please think about stepping up. Please make sure that anyone you nominate is qualified to fulfill the duties of the position.

OFFICER REPORTS:

VICE COORDINATOR:

JIM HENDERSON

Our Fall road clean-up was Saturday, October 3. Thanks to those who came out to make this happen: Jill Tracy, Cindy Henderson, Larita, Becky Ramirez, Mike and Denise Darnielle, Steve and Karen Coffman, Paul Hering, Shirley Christoferson, Margo Virchow.

TREASURER:

SHARON YARNELL

Deposits: \$70 50/50 at EOS, \$1300 Products from EOS

Expenses: \$1655.95 Garment Graphics EOS shirts; \$200 Ted Tracy for NCOM hospitality food; \$457.53 Paul Hering – generator, fuel, golf carts, hauling equipment; \$95.53 Paul Hering for NSUT supplies; \$250 to Paradise for the Toy Run gift certificate; \$32.47 to Sharon for envelopes, fraud pen; \$1641 to Honey Bucket; \$204 J&S Golf carts.

Balance: \$149.38 remaining seed money for the Not-So-Ugly Trailer, Working balance = \$5,252.87

Estimate for EOS is <\$846>, but still waiting for final expenses. Toy Run tickets are on order and should be here this week. Please plan to check out tickets to sell at the next meeting. If you need them before then, call Sharon to make arrangements. Will have 2,500 to sell at \$1.00 each.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:

ED VAUGHN

Things are quiet on the local legislative front. The next meeting of the Transportation Safety Board is 10/23 at 6:30, 235 Union St. in Salem. There is a study being done with funding from the

Transportation Equity Act, sponsored by the Federal Highway Admin. Association. Vehicle accidents are down, motorcycle accidents are up and they are looking at causes.

STATE BOARD REP:

ALLAN NICHOLS

State elections have been held. Still several positions open. See the state newsmagazine for a complete list. Congratulations to our own chapter members who are serving in State officer positions: Coordinator Ted Tracy, Treasurer Kay Sipple, Membership Secretary Linda Henderson, State Auditor Connie Kintz, and Webmaster Trace Ceccacci.

Fossil Run Committee meetings will begin in November, to be held at 11:00 a.m. one hour before each month's state board meeting. SE Chapter donated \$1,000 to BikePac of Oregon. There was a motion passed to donate the old state trailer to BikePac of Oregon also.

LifeFlight is offering a \$20 discount on annual membership. It's \$45 to ABATE members.

With Fall coming we need to stress riding within your limits. Planning Session discussion will include the accident rate of military personnel coming home and not having enough rider education. Armed services require classes while enlisted, but not after discharge.

Spring Swap Meet will be April 25, 2010.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

RICH VIRCHOW

Toy Run flyers are on the bar. Please take them and distribute them to as many places as you can. Posters are available for businesses, truck windows, everywhere we can post them. November 21 in the evening after our toy run is Twin Rivers anniversary party at the Spare Room. Megan James is playing. 10/24 is ABATE of WA poker run, starting at Krispy Kreme on Andresen with all-you-can-eat pizza afterward.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:

Members 322

CINDY HENDERSON

Drawing \$ 148.75

EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

TED TRACY

State and Chapter education positions open. Really need people to step up. Remember with group rides to stay in staggered formation. If someone leaves the group, important to re-position to maintain stagger. Always have a rider meeting before you head out, covering the where, how, and what-ifs. More information at MRF.org.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR: VACANT

WEBPAGE EDITOR:

No report.

ROBERT BEADLE

QUARTERMASTER:

PAUL HERING

Will use the NSUT to haul toys for the Toy Run.

HISTORIAN:

TRACE CECCACCI

No report.

CHAPTER PRODUCTS:

DAVE MEEKER

Absent.

WAYS & MEANS:

LUKE STOCKER

Balance = \$1165. Buy tickets at break.

RUN COORDINATOR:

LEN PUNZEL

All permits are in hand for the Toy Run. The police and fire department have signed off. Will have a pasta feed at the Elks after the Run. Tickets will be on sale soon to benefit Hillsboro Toy and Joy.

RUN COORDINATOR II:

JOHN KITTON

No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion/Second, Ted Tracy/Paul Hering – Due to our current financial situation, move that the chapter forego buying dinner at the December chapter meeting. Vote 36 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion/Second, Rich Virchow/Jordan Kelley – That Wash. Co. chapter reimburse for room at the planning session for the chapter state board rep. Approximate cost \$90, unless the room is shared, then cost will be \$45. Vote 38 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion/Second, Thunder Ryder/Jordan Kelley – That chapter schedule an updated chapter photo for the state newsmagazine to reflect current membership. Conditions: send postcard/notification to all members with time/location for photo, inviting them to participate. Amended to have a phone tree, rather than sending postcards. Jill Tracy will get with Cindy Henderson to coordinate. Vote 32 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dian Punzel: The director of Washington County Foodbank is drafting a letter of appreciation for our donations. Please bring canned food to the Toy Run for door prize tickets.

Jill Tracy: Tomatoes on the bar – please take some home.

Roger: Our birthday party will be March 6. 2010

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

50/50 DRAWING: \$30 Margo Virchow

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING: \$148.75 Becky Ramirez was not present to win.

CHAPTER MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Virchow
Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary