

# WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** 11/08/10

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

**ATTENDEES:** 37

**GUESTS:** Vickie and Angelo from SE Chapter – Welcome!

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Two packets from Columbia County Fairgrounds forwarded to Sharon.

## **COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS:**

**ROGER YARNELL**

Nominations will be open tonight for 2011 Chapter Officers. If you are interested in a position, or in nominating someone for a position, please be aware of the responsibilities involved with the job.

## **OFFICER REPORTS:**

### **VICE COORDINATOR:**

**JIM HENDERSON**

Absent. No report.

### **TREASURER:**

**SHARON YARNELL**

**Deposits:** \$1,080.00 Refund from Columbia County Fairground of deposit for EOS

**Expenses:** \$118 Wash. County Sheriff for the Toy Run parade permit; \$213 for NSUT title transfer and registration; \$500 to Paradise HD for the Toy Run gift card (Paradise donated the \$250 gift card)

**Balance:** Balance = \$5,278.09

We have Toy Run raffle tickets available to purchase or check out to sell. If not enough here tonight, Sharon will deliver them to you. Please get as many sold as possible. Also, Sharon received a feedback survey from the Columbia County Fairgrounds. Will forward that to Jim Henderson as Run Coordinator.

### **LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:**

**ED VAUGHN**

Elections are over. The legislative session starts in January. We should all know who our reps are and have the contact info. Ed has that available for anyone who needs it. Representative Andy Olsen has helmet legislation in the works. He needs cosigners and support so ask your reps to support this. On November 19, the Governor's Advisory Committee is coming to Portland to hear opinions on lane sharing. NSTA has a report on lane sharing – see Ed for info. on where to read that report. The meeting is at 6:30 at Kaiser, 3704 N. Interstate. Ted Tracy offered to buy a drink for any chapter member who comes to that meeting. If you haven't yet written to your rep. in support of Federal HR 1498, please do so. This is the legislation that would ban federal funding for "safety checks" that target motorcyclists only.

**STATE BOARD REP:**

**ALLAN NICHOLS**

Absent. State board meeting is this Saturday, November 13 at Cedicci's Pizza in Albany.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:**

**GREG VAUGHN**

The last of the Toy Run flyers are here tonight. Please take them and make sure they get to your local bike shops and businesses to promote the run.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:**

**CONNIE CECCACCI**

Members: 263

Drawing \$ 115.75

**EDUCATION DIRECTOR:**

**MARK SCHNETZKY**

Have been doing some research into costs for billboard advertising. Retail price is about \$1,100. Ted recommended that Mark talk with Al Sims of Hub City Chapter. They do theirs as a PSA (Public Service Announcement), which is a tax deduction for the billboard owner, and it's much less. Other suggestions included a bus wrap. Straw poll showed very high interest in pursuing these options. Mark will research further and report back.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:**

**GREG VAUGHN**

No report.

**WEBPAGE EDITOR:**

**ROBERT BEADLE**

No report.

**QUARTERMASTER:**

**GORDON SAHNOW**

DMV paperwork is done for the Not So Ugly Trailer. The title is in our possession, locked in a safe.

**HISTORIAN:**

**MIKE DARNEILLE**

No report.

**CHAPTER PRODUCTS:**

**DAVE MEEKER**

Absent. No report.

**WAYS & MEANS:**

**TINA STOCKER**

Balance = \$1,043.00

Buy tickets at break.

**RUN COORDINATOR:**

**STEVE COFFMAN FOR JIM HENDERSON**

Toy Run: November 20<sup>th</sup>. Really need to be selling as many tickets as possible. Steve showed a copy of the flyer from the Hillsboro Fire Department, which acknowledges ABATE very well. That flyer will be published in the Hillsboro Argus for advertising. Do not yet know the status of having to pay for an escort. Greg Vaughn reports that we are still going back and forth on proper insurance forms to satisfy the police dept. He is working with Matt Price and Jim on this.

**RUN COORDINATOR II:**

**STEVE COFFMAN**

No report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion made/seconded: Ted Tracy/Paul Hering: That Washington County Chapter donate a minimum of \$1,000 to the Hillsboro Fire Department Toy and Joy Program. Friendly amendment by Ed Vaughn accepted to read: That Washington County Chapter donate *all proceeds, with* a minimum of \$1,000 to the Hillsboro Fire Department Toy and Joy Program. 34 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carries

**Nominations for 2011 Chapter Officers:**

Chapter Coordinator:	Roger Yarnell accepted
Vice Coordinator:	Jerry Cruz will consider
	Rich Virchow will consider
	Gary Niess declined
	Gordon Sahnaw declined
	Rick Skaggs declined
Treasurer:	Connie Cecacci will consider
Recording Secretary:	Margo Virchow accepted
Membership Secretary:	Stephanie Barnes accepted
	Connie Ceccacci will consider
State Board Rep:	Greg Vaughn will consider
	Paul Hering will consider
	Gordon Sahnaw will consider
	Allan Nichols declined
Sgt. At Arms 1:	Bill Michels accepted
Sgt. At Arms 2:	Brian Campbell accepted
Public Relations:	Greg Vaughn accepted
Ways & Means:	Tina Stocker accepted

Education Director: Mark Schnetzky accepted  
Legislative Director: Steve Coffman accepted  
Ed Vaughn declined  
Gunny Hutcheson declined  
Chapter Historian: Mike Darnielle accepted  
Run Coordinator: Ed Vaughn accepted  
Jerry Cruz accepted  
Mike Darnielle declined  
Run Coordinator 2: Ed Vaughn accepted  
Steve Coffman accepted  
Jerry Cruz will consider  
Quartermaster: Gordon Sahnnow accepted  
Newsletter Editor: Greg Vaughn accepted  
Ted Tracy declined  
Webpage Editor: Robert Beadle accepted  
Chapter Products: Dave Meeker was not present to accept or decline  
Chapter Chaplain: Len Punzel was not present to accept or decline  
Mark Pratt was not present to accept or decline  
Roger Yarnell declined

Nominations will be open again at the November 22 chapter meeting.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Vickie and Angelo: Tickets here tonight for the Portland Toy Run. \$10 each.

Kay Sipple: Another plug for the Governor's Advisory board meeting; Also, North Coast chapter is having their spaghetti feed on November 20<sup>th</sup> in the evening, after our Toy Run.

Dorothy Johnston: May not be able to attend the Toy Run for the first time since it began. Cannot yet drive and doesn't have a ride. Several offers of a ride were made and we'll make sure she gets there.

Rick Skaggs: December 4<sup>th</sup> Forest Grove Holiday light parade. Meet 4:30-5:00 at Lincoln Park on Main St. Must register in advance to ride in parade. See Rick.

Roger Yarnell: True Apostles Toy Run is November 27<sup>th</sup>. Starts at Columbia HD in Vancouver. Sign in starts at 9:00 a.m., ride leaves at 11:00 a.m.

We collected \$78.80 for the Washington County Food Bank tonight, including 50/50 donation from Brian Campbell.

**NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME:** Monday, November 22, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. PrimeTime in Forest Grove

**50/50 DRAWING:** \$39.00 Brian Campbell won and donated his winnings to the Food Bank.  
Thank you, Brian! ☺

**MEMBERSHIP DRAWING:** \$115.75 Kenny of the Chinchillas was not present to win.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Margo L. Virchow*  
Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary