

# WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** 09/13/10

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

**ATTENDEES:** 35

**GUESTS:** Robert, Robert, Jeff

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:** MRF Reports

## **COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS:**

**ROGER YARNELL**

Fred Behony, a Patriot Guard Rider, was killed last weekend. He was in the escort for Chris Henderson's service. Fred's wife was in the car behind him and witnessed the accident. Please keep the family in your prayers. EOS is this weekend. Roger took flyers around to shops in the North Portland area. Please continue to promote the event this week. We need to have a successful event.

## **OFFICER REPORTS:**

### **VICE COORDINATOR:**

**JIM HENDERSON**

No report.

### **TREASURER:**

**SHARON YARNELL**

**Deposits:** \$195 EOS vendor income; \$350 pre-sale tickets; \$85 vendor income

**Expenses:** \$400 to the state for reimbursement for MOTM for Allan Nichols; \$75 to the state for Toy Run Sanctioning; \$18 to RC Fryer for EOS flyers; \$2900 Columbia County Fairgrounds for balance on property Rental (\$1080 was a deposit to be refunded after the event).

**Balance:** \$82.39 remaining seed money for the Not-So-Ugly Trailer, Working balance = \$3,617.81

Tonight is the last night for pre-sale prices on EOS tickets. Will need help at the gate for EOS. Toy Run raffle tickets are also here to purchase or check out to sell. Still looking for anyone interested in possibly running for Chapter Treasurer. Please see Sharon to discuss duties and responsibilities involved.

### **LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:**

**ED VAUGHN**

Elections are coming up. As promised, district maps are available. BikePac's voter recommendations available as well, and they only grade on motorcycle issues. Available on BikePac's website also. The MRF has a bulletin out that states traffic fatalities are the lowest since 1950. Motorcycle related deaths are down 16%. They are giving credit to better safety training and equipment.

**STATE BOARD REP:****ALLAN NICHOLS**

The Fall Swap Meet has been cancelled due to a lack of vendor interest because of the time of year. Many were concerned that weather would be a major factor in October. The Planning Session is October 9<sup>th</sup> to be combined with the state board meeting on October 10<sup>th</sup>. Will talk at the Planning Session about a swap meet committee, rather than a single swap meet coordinator. Other topics at the Planning Session will include the budget and how to motivate both new and existing members to help our organization thrive. Will also be requesting more participation from Chapter Officers to help with State functions.

Motions at the State BoD: To pursue a large state back patch. Motion failed unanimously. To send 4 people to the ACTS Convention in Salem at a cost of \$540. Motion passed.

**PUBLIC RELATIONS:****GREG VAUGHN**

The Toy Run has been sanctioned and we will have Toy Run flyers at EOS. It will also be in the October issue of the state newsmagazine. Saw a "Ride to be seen" banner on the side of a bus this week. Wheels reported that is a new campaign in the past couple of months.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:****CONNIE KINTZ**

Members: 289

Drawing \$ 145.25

**EDUCATION DIRECTOR:****MARK SCHNETZKY**

Tips will be coming regarding safety. Please e-mail Mark if there is a subject you want to know more about. Will be working on organizing an Advanced Rider course through Team OR. If we get 12 WaCo members, we can take it with our friends.

**NEWSLETTER EDITOR:****GREG VAUGHN**

The next issue will be after EOS. Please remember that the newsletter and flyers can be great promotional information for coworkers, new riders, to let them know what we're about.

**WEBPAGE EDITOR:****ROBERT BEADLE**

Grab an EOS flyer, and give it out.

**QUARTERMASTER:****GORDON SAHNOW**

Equipment is pretty much ready to go for EOS. Gordon will need help with the bike games.

**HISTORIAN:****MIKE DARNEILLE**

Absent.

**CHAPTER PRODUCTS:****DAVE MEEKER**

Absent.

**WAYS & MEANS:**

Balance = \$1,006.00

**TINA STOCKER**

Buy tickets at break.

**RUN COORDINATOR:**

**JIM HENDERSON**

There is a chance of showers in St. Helens this weekend. We have the bands and details lined up. We need volunteers for bike games, bike show, security, the gate. We have all the usual fun, plus stunt riders and a wedding.

**RUN COORDINATOR II:**

**STEVE COFFMAN**

Absent.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

As stated under State Board Rep report:

Motion/Second: Paul Hering/Ed Vaughn – To direct Allan to decline support for any movement to obtain a large logo back patch by the state. Vote: 43 in favor, 1 against. Motion carries.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Gunny: NCOM Convention is in Honolulu in January 2011. Good deals on airfare in advance. The CoC meeting protocol is changing. The meetings will be open to organizations for the first ½, then closed for the second ½ to clubs only.

We collected \$24 for the Washington County Food Bank tonight.\

**NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME:** Monday, September 27, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. PrimeTime in Forest Grove

**50/50 DRAWING:** \$27.00          Robert Beadle won

**MEMBERSHIP DRAWING:** \$145.25    Shelby Candido was not present to win.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Margo L. Virchow*

Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary