

WASHINGTON COUNTY ABATE CHAPTER MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 10/24/11

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

ATTENDEES: 30

GUESTS:

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Bill Michels

MISSION STATEMENT: Veta Holscher and Rich Virchow

READING OF THE MINUTES:

M/S: Kay Sipple/Allan Nichols: To approve minutes as written. 19 in favor, 7 opposed. Motion carries.
Copies are on the bar.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

COORDINATOR'S COMMENTS:

ROGER YARNELL

The officer job descriptions are up here on the head table if you'd like to see what the responsibilities are for any of the positions. Nominations will be open at both November meetings, and elections are December 12.

There is a recall reported by Harley Davidson on some 2009-2012 touring models and trikes. There is a switch problem with the brakes. Look your bikes over carefully and plan any maintenance during the coming winter months.

OFFICER REPORTS:

VICE COORDINATOR:

RICH VIRCHOW

Absent. No report.

TREASURER:

CONNIE CECCACCI

Deposits: None

Expenses: None.

Balance: Beginning Balance = \$5,877.54 Ending Balance \$5,877.54

Still looking for a treasurer for next year. Please see Connie if you're interested.

Toy Run raffle tickets are here to check out. Each ticket provides 2 chances to win a gift certificate for \$250 to Beaverton Honda Yamaha. Checks must be made payable to ABATE in order to purchase tickets and it is not tax deductible. Tax deductible donations can be made to Hillsboro Toy and Joy, but no tickets for checks made to them.

LEGISLATIVE DIRECTOR:

STEVE COFFMAN

Black Wednesday will be February 1st. The MRF legislative strategy agenda has been published for 2012. There is a copy on the head table and the agenda can be found on www.mrf.org.

STATE BOARD REP:

GORDON SAHNOW

Planning session report: 26 people in attendance. 6 breakout sessions and a lot of good ideas came out of it. Ted commented that many of the ideas do not need motions to be put into action. Some of the ideas include: streamlining sanction so we can start handing out flyers 6 months in advance with “sanctioning pending” on them; changes for STEAM to revitalize it; 3-D bar codes on flyers or in newsmagazine so people could scan their phone over it and access information; guest speakers at more chapter meetings.

Board meeting report: Motions as a result of the planning session:

Motions passed:

1. To acquire the ABATE of Oregon Facebook administrative rights so we can properly manage the sight.
2. To require all chapters to use Quicken 2011 software by January 1st, 2012. The state will assist those chapters that ask for financial help with the \$60 purchase.
3. To use the new Financial Tracking form for reporting income and attendance for evens such as poker runs, campouts, etc., any event that requires sanctioning. To include the 10% check to the state if applicable. Forms will be available on-line. This will fall under the responsibility of the run coordinator and/or the treasurer.
4. To standardize waiver forms and all chapters to use the same form based on what our insurance company wants to see.
5. To allow members to opt out of receiving a printed copy of the newsmagazine. An e-mail notification would be sent to announce a new issue available on line. Could save thousands of dollars each year.

Motions tabled:

1. To eliminate Indian Creek chapter and change those members and future members to “Member at Large”.
2. To require all chapter assets to be turned over to the state in the event a chapter chooses to close on its own. The closing chapter can submit a request to transfer chosen assets to a specific chapter.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

GREG VAUGHN

Absent. Toy Run flyers are on the bar.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY:

STEPHANIE BARNES

Current members = 204

Membership drawing: \$ 196.00

Buy tickets at break.

EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

VACANT

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

GREG VAUGHN

Absent. No report.

WEBPAGE EDITOR:

No report.

ROBERT BEADLE

QUARTERMASTER:

No report.

GORDON SAHNOW

HISTORIAN:

Absent. No report.

MIKE DARNEILLE

CHAPTER PRODUCTS:

Toy Run is coming, please check out tickets. This is our best opportunity to support our local community.

DAVE MEEKER

WAYS & MEANS:

Balance = \$1,220.00

YVONNE SAHNOW FOR TINA VAUGHN

Buy tickets at break.

RUN COORDINATOR:

Toy Run is November 19 and is coming together. We really need people to check out tickets and sell them. We want to give the Toy and Joy Program all \$2,000. Beaverton Honda Yamaha will let us set up a pop up and table to sell tickets at their location. Veta, Cindy, and Cathy Kingery will be there November 5 from 10:00 – 4:00. Looking for volunteers to sell tickets on November 12 at Beaverton Honda.

MARGO VIRCHOW FOR ED VAUGHN

Next run committee meeting is November 7, 7:30 at PrimeTime

RUN COORDINATOR II:

There will be a road clean up on November 5. Jerry will arrange parking and will e-mail Margo with details so they can be forwarded to the website.

JERRY CRUZ

<10 minute break>

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made/seconded – Gordon Sahnov/Trace Ceccacci: That the chapter join BikePac as a member of the advisory board for a cost of \$300 per year. Vote: 11 in favor, 7 against. Motion carries.

Motion made/seconded – Jerry Cruz/Carlene Cruz: To drop the Adopt a Road clean up if attendance is less than 10 people on November 5. Much discussion regarding the short notice and being able to plan further in advance. Vote: 11 in favor, 13 against. Motion fails.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ted Tracy: The Elks Turkey Shoot is November 12. They moved the date in order to not conflict with our Toy Run. Please plan to attend and show your support. It will be at the Hillsboro Gun Club.

Allan Nichols: Regarding the road cleanup. Wanted to commend Roger for being out for the last one despite recent knee surgery, and wants to encourage us all to participate in this worthy activity.

Roger Yarnell: Next year's NCOM convention will be in Indianapolis May 10-13, 2012.

Connie Ceccacci: \$14 collected for Lacey's House tonight.

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME: Monday, November 14, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. PrimeTime in Forest Grove

50/50 DRAWING: \$15.00 Steve Coffman won

MEMBERSHIP DRAWING: \$196.00 Jane Seeley was not present to win

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margo L. Virchow
Washington County ABATE Recording Secretary