

**Date:** April 14, 2008

**Time called to Order:** 7:30

**Guests:** Nick's first meeting - Welcome!

**Attendance:** 38

**Moment of Silence:**

**Blessing by:** Len Punzel

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Luke Stocker

**Mission Statement:** Billy

**Minutes:** Sharon Mize

**Correspondence:** Roadbrother Run 4/19/08, and Strip Poker Run 6/7/08

**Coordinator's Comments:** Roger Yarnell - Welcome! Thanked all of those who helped before the Birthday Party! Read a list all of those who participated and thanked Rick Stocker in getting everyone home safely as well as monitored the parking lot. Special thanks to Cathy and Veta for their great work as well as Paul selling tickets and coupons. All helping the chapter achieve their goals. Also asked if anyone read the paper today, metro section in the Oregonian there was an article written by Andy Parker about the kid whom lost his life last year when a lady pulled out in front of him from a Taco Bell on 185th? Their family was committed to riding safely. We are one of the largest clubs in Washington County and the family didn't even know we existed. We need to promote the safety side, do more PR and let the public know that we are not just motorcyclist whom don't like to wear helmets. Matt from our State Chapter mentioned that we have bumper stickers "Look twice for bikes!" Also, the Life Savers Conference has bumper stickers "Your car can kill!"

**Vice Coordinators Comments:** Rick Skaggs - Wanted to congratulate Veta Holscher as she was honored with the 1st Annual Marketing Award!

#### **OFFICER REPORTS:**

**Treasurer:** Sharon Yarnell - Month of March was all expenses. 75.00 NCOM registration for Gary, 351.00 and 272.00 airfare for Gary & Kay, 24.60 Chris for newsletter postage, 1900.00 for container, 100.00 MRF Chapter, 128.00 to Paul for baskets. Expenses also included 500.00 Birthday party, 415.00 to the Elks for dinner, 44.50 to Kay, 89.50 each for 1/2 Team Oregon for Cathleen, Derrick and Britney. Working balance 4000.00 End of Summer Run which made the working balance 6127.00 less 182.00 to the Elks for Meadowwood Camp. Gross for the Birthday party was 5956.00 minus expenses approx. 2273.00 leaves a balance of 3683.00 minus 10% to the State (-368.00) left a profit of 3314.00.

**Legislative Director:** Jordan Kelley - Not a lot going on. Elections/primaries coming out and we all need to research our candidates backgrounds and not just what they are saying, so get out there and vote. Rich V asked how New Jersey was doing with death threats, federal helmet bill being challenged. We need to write editorials or send e-mails to that state to help him out - he could be removed from office.

**State Board Representative:** Jordan Kelley - The Fossil showers are defunked, but Gene is working with the RV Park to see if they can help us provide access to showers, etc. The State balance is 32,094.01, membership 1903 (300) less than last year. Sanctioning twice as much based on attendance of events. When we send in form asking for legal name (not Spanky or whatever your nickname is) and address would truley help get the numbers more accurate. Newsletter format may change to column in which they will do a trial run to help minimize paper and postage. May is awareness month. Trimet buses in Medford, K-Falls offering wraps of (Beware of motorcylces), advertisements may run once a week and trifolds(handouts). Dave also needs help with the t-shirt table. Dave will be at the Best of the West conference, but not the state meeting.

Laptops that were tabled passed 6-4 with cost of 899.00 each at 3 totaling 2700.00. Changing dates for STEAM was also tabled. Changing reimbursement amounts - 33,000.00 if 372 signed

up to join - 75.00 or 50% whichever ever is less. Would save 6000.00 - tabled. Bringing back the information to chapters for feedback. Bylaws - ratified - change of dates for officer nominations in October, but not taking the positions until January. Last month tabled Willy's authority - removed and will continue his position. Ted Best of the West in Vancouver, WA, board to be cancelled, not brought up so they can attend. Rich asked if Rot reviewed the DVD's, but Rot did not attend State meeting. Paul said retention not as good, how come we lost 300 members - Jordan couldn't really say why. State PR gal done a great job.

**Public Relations:** Veta Holscher - Birthday party was a great party. Has Roll-n-Ride fliers and Mid Summer fliers are ready to review. Vendor letter are also available for review.

**Membership Secretary:** Cindy Henderson(not present) but Margo filling in. Paul wrote up 50 of the 300 members - what do we do to maintain retention. We currently have 308 members, last year 356 - need continuing education. Balance is 142.25. Patty Candido said she has been a member for 2 years and hasn't received any newsletters. Chris can add the e-mail address and maybe Cindy can add another line in for e-mail address but state can't with the old system. Bill mentioned that retention needs actual involvement, people have talents, but not deep pockets.

**Education Director:** Patricia Carner (not present)

**Newsletter Editor:** Chris Daley - need newsletters/articales from our coordinator and recording secretary. The clean up party only had 5 people show up so decided to reschedule since it was a beautiful day and Ted volunteered to pickup the carpet pieces on the road and that she would cancel the May 31st clean up day since we have another event that day. Kay asked if we have to schedule a date? Yes, since Chris has to arrange to pickup vests/signs/pinchers and sign for the equipment and bags. Therefore, next sign up for clean up is October 11th.

**Webpage Editor:** Robert Beadle - If anyone has pictures of the Birthday Party, please submit them to the Webmaster.

**Quartermaster:** Paul Herring - No report

**Historian:** Trace Ceccacci - (Not present)

**Chapter Products:** Dave Meeker - (Not present)

**Ways & Means:** Luke Stocker - Balance is 606.00 - Buy tickets at break!

**Run Coordinator:** Len Punzel - Birthday Party is over, went great and thanks for all of the help. Everything else is on course and looks great!

**Run Coordinator II:** Kay Sipple - No report

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Dian wanted to share a True Confession - pulled over in the left lane and almost ran over a motorcycle. She loves motorcycles, but he was in her blind spot. Billy stated that flashing lights or a light modulator helps motorists see them. John Moe mentioned that in his 55 and Alive class they stress when changing lanes to turn your head and use the mirror to doublecheck. Roger mentioned that being a truck driver one of his biggest pet peaves is someone taking all day to pass another vehicle which doesn't leave any room for error if something happens in front of you.

Linda Henderson - needs volunteers for the April 27th swap meet.

Ted - Best of the West June 12 & 14th at the Inn at the Que - will pass around a sign up sheet until 5/21, Dave will be selling products - great time to see whats working in their state and what's not. Banquet in the hospitality suite - great time!

Gary - May 26th, Monday at 10:00 we have the annual Veteran run starting at Paradise HD at 10:00.

Jordan - Will have a sign up sheet for Fossil with a date and time which will circulate until the next State Board meeting.

Berle - Poker Run benefiting the Senior Citizens in North Plains on May 17th, route is going out south this time, 140 miles, lots of prizes, at the Hitchin Post. 1st bike out @ 10:00, last at noon.

Paul - Several people asked if the thank you letter that Sharon read was his daughters. Said that the eye surgery went perfect. Stitches removed last Friday and eye more open.

Lauren - Toy Run Committee June 8th, Sunday - Ticket to Ride - Action Motor Sports - can't buy a ticket unless you buy Toy Run tickets - hope to see you all this year - but not sanctioned yet. Lauren is going to be Mrs. Claus!

**50/50 Drawing:** \$ 41.00 - 576156 - Jordan Kelley is our lucky winner!

**Membership Drawing:** \$142.25 - Amber Biermann - Not present to win!

**Next Meeting:** April 28th - 7:30 - Primetime Sports Bar