

(The) Texas ABATE Confederation, Inc.
State Board Meeting
March 1, 2014

State Officers State Board

Coordinator: David Dobyns, here Arlington: Andy Stoody, here
Assist. Coordinator: Connie Thompson, here Denton: Joann York, proxy
Secretary: Robin Butts, here Golden Triangle: David Bryant, here
Treasurer: Robin Warfield, here NET: Christi Dobyns, here
Membership: Lori Cathey, here Texoma: Kaye Elloitt, proxy
Legislative: Skee Dodson, here
Security: Joe Wolff, absent
Products:
Newsletter: Kaye Elliott

Meeting open: 1:15PM. Pledge and moment of silence.

Opening remarks: Welcome to all and thank for attending.

Assistant Coordinator's Report: Things discussed and brought up; State Rally will be Sept. 5-7, 2014. The following chapters volunteered to handle the areas as listed: Texoma will run the gate. Arlington will do the T-shirts. It was decided to put sponsors on the shirts. It was suggested each chapter get 2 sponsors. The cost of spaces will be \$25 for just name, \$50 for business card and \$200 for sleeve size. NET to do games and trophies for games. Denton to do the Bike Show and trophies for show. So far, that is all. NCOM will donate \$250 for flyers if we put their name on the flyer. United Clubs will have a meeting May 7. Address to be announced. On May 24th, ABATE will have a booth at Stroker's helping the Wounded Warrior program. COC State Rally will be May 11-12th in Helos (San Antonio). We need more than one banner to have boothes all over at the same time. Motion to get 2 more banners for the State. 2nd, discussion, passed.

The next NCOM meeting will be in Addison May 8-11. ABATE putting on a hospitality suite was discussed and rejected. We will set up a booth and help in some areas.
Secretary's Report: Motion to accept as printed. 2nd, passed.

Treasurer's Report: Read and approved.

Membership Report: 288 were counted by this meeting. We will have a better more accurate count by next meeting.

Legislative Report: Things discussed: Black boxes in cars and bikes. March 4th elections. Please vote. Be vigilant always about helmet laws. E-15 is pretty much dead issue. Resolutions to think about for Nov.; road dividers should be a different color than the roads. Discussed the safety fund and how to get the money, Changing codes to have easier access to those funds. Lone Star Freedom Fighter patch. Congrats to Connie for being awarded her star.

Security: We are secure.

Newsletter: Deadline for newsletter will be March 8th. Please send to Robin preferably in Word.

Products: None.

AMSEP: Andy Stoodly and Rick Boland went to Austin to attend and participate in a Motorcycle Assessment. Andy made a presentation of our AMSEP for their input. There were 5 gentlemen from 5 different states to assess the problems of Texas in regard to motorcycle fatalities. The items brought up over all were stats, sharing of information between departments, hwy. markers, engineering and barricades.

Break. 2:30 - 3PM.

Chapter Reports:

Arlington: Biker Ball tonight. May 17th we will have an AMSEP run. Summer Scorcher will be July 19th. Arlington will make the MILE basket. Arlington accepted the by laws as printed.

Denton: Dan (Tanks) Wall is the coordinator, Kirsten Shivers is Assist. Coordinator and treasurer-membership. Brenda Rosenbaum is secretary. Chapter rep is Joann York. We are having a Freeze Your Ass Off camp out at Scruffy's March 7-9. Biker Appreciation Day 4-12 at Last Drop in Denton. June 6-8th is NOT ROT at Scruffy's. Denton accepts bylaws as printed.

Golden Triangle: Blessing of the Bikes and Poker Run will be 4-19 for the Sea Farers Center. (see Face Book). We have 4 member renewals. Golden Triangle accepted bylaws as printed.

Lake Cities: We are a new chapter in Lake Dallas. We meet at the Legion here on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 2PM. So far, we have 23 members. Barbara (Flipper) Brenly is our coordinator, I, Larry West am chapter rep. We are designing a chapter logo. Motion was made to accept Lake Cities on a probation status until Sept. 2nd, discussion, passed.

NET: 4-12-14 we have a Red Cross ceremony. We will meet at Gran Saline on 5-18 at 1pm for Road Trips b-day. On 6-21, 6th b-day party at Shooter and Robin's. Accepted bylaws as printed.

Texoma: The SMILE will be in Oklahoma on 3-7. 4-26 we will have a JESSE Bash. Jesse Rally will be 7-13 in Galveston. Donations go to serve education. Steel Horse Rally at Dad's March 28-29. Free camping and a band Saturday night. Bylaws accepted as printed.

Old Business: Magnetic badges looked into. Incorporation papers for AMSEP have been signed and will be sent in. Bylaws ratification vote. Motion to accept bylaws as printed. 2nd, discussion, passed. We have new bylaws.

New Business: It was discussed to redefine ABATE again. Some would like it to stand for American Bikers Against Totalitarian Enactments, and some would like it to stand for American Bikers Aimed Toward Education. Please take these back to you chapters and see what they think. Right now it means exactly what the dictionary says the word means. Other possible new chapters may be forming in Wichita Falls, Houston and Mesquite.

Open Forum: Support Biker Appreciation Day April 12. 50/50 for AMSEP. \$30 total, \$15 to winner. Kirsten from Denton won and donated back to AMSEP. Next board meeting will be May 3rd at 1PM, place to be determined.

Motion to adjourn. 2nd, passed, closed 4:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Butts