

Meeting Minutes

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2019

Location: VFW 2494 N Beltline Irving

Hosted by: Arlington Chapter

Meeting Called to Order: 1:16PM

Pledge/Moment Silence: Lead by Larry Smith

Executive/Administrative officer's in attendance: Bruce Guffee (Coordinator) George Guffee (Asst. Coordinator), Kirsten Scheideman (Secretary), Steve Scheideman (Treasurer), Skee Dodson (Legislative), Bear Pup (Newsletter) and Larry Smith (Security) Connie Thompson (Products).

Board of Director's in attendance: Doni Evans (Arlington), Larry Smith (Texoma), Terri Davison (Lake Cities) and Connie Thompson (Denton by proxy) David Dobyms (Independent).

Executive Board Reports:

Coordinator (Bruce Guffee):

Terri Davison will temporarily be stepping in as the state membership officer till a new officer can be appointed.

We need every chapter to have a represented including independents to be on the State Rally Committee.

Texoma: Dad, Larry Smith and George Guffee

Lake Cities: Not confirmed

Arlington: Doni Evans

Independents: David Dobyms, Steve and Kirsten Scheideman.

State Rally will be Sept 6-8 in Bells Texas.

I will check into printing cost for the updated 2019 bylaws.

Assistant Coordinator (George Guffee)

We need all chapters to participate in donations to the MILE basket.

Please bare-with me as I am stepping into new shoes.

Secretary (Kirsten Scheideman):

Who may have previous bylaws, Rick and Connie said they may have? So, I can make them a part of the state information.

Chapters provided mailing addresses.

Provided hard copies of the updated bylaws to the executive/administrative board members.

Treasurer (Steve Scheideman):

Any Board of Director or officer not present wishing to have a complete copy of the treasury report packet please contact your chapter Board of Director or Steve. See the State website for e-mail contacts <http://texasabate.com/>.

Proposed 2019 budget was not discussed.

When donating 50/50 monies back please specify to which fund you would like to contribute it to.

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State Rally budget is still open.

The state membership account has been closed and we will only be dealing with one account going forward.

The Lester Aid has been paid. He will get six advertisements in our state news letter as of March 2019.

COIR refunded part of our donation for the parking spaces for 2019 legislative Day.

Discussion: to look for a new vendor for patches. Bearpup and Connie thought they may know of one.

Motion: Forward the 2019 legislative fund to 2021 legislative Day. Passed 5-0

Administrative Board Reports:

Membership Report(Interim Terri Davison)

See your chapter Board of Director for membership report or contact state membership officer at membership@texasabate.com.

Dad appointed Connie Thompson as membership for 2019-2020 with 4 in approval and one abstain.

Terri put together a job aid on how the membership position should be conducted. These were passed out to all officers.

Discussion; On how to issue the membership number. Dad asked that Connie get with Terri and they sit down to find an agreement and bring to back to the next state meeting in May.

Connie stated that she has a state membership list on a thump drive from 2014.

Arlington and Texoma both have signed a patch agreement. 10 patches per chapter.

Bearpup suggested a meeting with chapter membership officers over new procedures.

Dad suggested having a yearly transition meeting with new state and chapter officers.

Newsletter Report(Bear Pup): The newsletter will be forwarded to all Board of Directors via email to be distributed at their chapter meetings as well as posted on the state website <http://texasabate.com/> under the news/minutes tab

Please submit newsletter articles or info to the following email news@texasabate.com by the 20th of the month.

Please provide links when submitting info.

I would like to have more legislative info.

Appointed Officer Reports:

Security Report(Larry Smith):secure

Products Report (Kim Guffee):

Dad appointed Kim Guffee as the representative for state products, approved by the board 5-0

At this time, we have no state products.

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Break 2:30PM

Resume 3:20PM

Legislative Report:(Skee Dodson):

The 2019 Legislative session is half over.

We are working on the

Lane sharing bill HB1270/SB273

Red Light

Helmet HB748, Texas ABATE opposes this Bill.

One-person can make a difference.

Several ABATE members attended a town hall meeting on March 23 2019 in Denton for Rep. Lynn Stucky to hopefully persuade him to co-sponsor the dead red bill. (Persons in attendance Skee, Tina, Brenda, Tanks, Rober, Terri, Steve, Bill, Kirsten Howard and, 2 guests of ABATE).

Committees decide the fate of a bill. Bills are just not getting attention.

Talked with Rep Lang about profiling bill no progress.

All bills need to be drafted though LEGE. All bills can be done prior to session.

We are hoping our 501 funds get moved from the DPS to TDLR.

30 other states have a red-light bill.

The Texas survey against HB748, (18,049 persons have replied as of date.!) Texas ABATE members were within the first 100. Skee will be working to see the break down on who signed per town.

Working harder to get things on the Leg Tab on the website.

Federal level Trump has authorized year-round selling on E15.

Labeling of E15 pumps

Scenic byways: Call to action AMA

Board of Directors

Arlington:(Doni Evans)

Come join our Blue Bonnet run

We will be hosting the July state meeting on the 13th of the month followed by a pool party,

See website for event flyers:texasabate.com event tab.

Denton:(Connie Thompson by proxy)

Freeze ass off?

NOT ROT June 6-7

Toy run Nov 16

Dinner Run?

Nov 2nd host state meeting.

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Chapter could possibly fold come December 2019.

Lake Cities(*Terri Davison*)

The rep for the state rally is still open.

We have brought the membership up to 30 persons'

Our legislative rep with be attending a Lake Dallas council meeting to discuss the motorcycling profiling with in the city.

We are hoping to do an awareness program with a local school for May

Texoma:(*Larry Smith*)

April 6 chili cook off

May 25th Sherman Harley cookoff

June 21-23 Bells. 35 vendors

May 11 place TBA State meeting

Theme for the MILE is "Made in Texas"

Independents: (David Dobyns) Thank you to Terri and Kirsten for working on getting the membership roll up to date.

AMSEP (Rick Boland)

Old Business:

State fund raiser tabled

Local charity to sponsor not addressed

New Business:

Open Floor:

Any member who joins other state ABATE chapters will qualify for the states ABATE insurance.

Rick Boland: The next meeting for the MILE will be April 27th. We could use more members from Texas to be on the MILE committee. If you attended 3 MILE meeting for the year your motel expenses will be covered by the MILE.

Rick was voted as the 2019 MILE chairperson.

As of date Robin Boland and Connie Thompson are, our MILE members from Texas.

Kirsten: Suggestion to move the state meetings to the even months of the year. This way we would have Jan to transition the officers and we would always have a state meeting within weeks of Legislative day.

Skee: Texas has the highest rate of unendorsed motorcyclist per Texas A&M Transpiration Institute.

Consider Kirsten's suggestion to move state meetings

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COC&I State Rally will Be April 21-232 Merkel TX.

Don't forget that Biker's Inside the Beltway will be in May. 3000-mile ride.

A calendar signed by Rep Lynn Stucky (District 64) was actioned off. Terri Davison was the highest bidder.

Closing remarks: Dad: I appreciate all the chapters working to improve membership,

Adjournment;5:23pm

Respectfully submitted,

State Secretary

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Revisions provided by:

Terri Davison 4/21/2019

Skee Dodson 5/

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