



Call to Order

A regular bimonthly meeting of (the) Texas ABATE Confederation, Inc. was held on October 3, 2020 in Arlington Texas. It began at 1:00 pm and was presided over by Bruce “Dad” Guffee, with Robin Warfield as secretary.

Attendees

Board members in attendance included: Doni Evans (Arlington), David Dennis (Denton), Rober Crowdis (written proxy Lake Cities) and Garry Lilly (Texoma), establishing a quorum.

Executive/Administrative members in attendance included: Bruce “Dad” Guffee (CO), Dino Viles (Asst CO), Robin Warfield (secretary), Steve Scheideman (treasurer), Skee Dodson (legislative), BearPup (newsletter), Rober Crowdis (membership), Tina Dodson (products) and Geoff Waguespack (security).

Approval of Previous Minutes - via email

Officers' Reports

Coordinator Report was presented by Bruce “Dad” Guffee.

- Thanked all for coming, thanked Arlington for hosting and feeding us.

Assistant Coordinator Report was presented by Dino Viles

- Thanked all for attending the State Rally.
- Discussed lack of response from Independent members.

Treasurer's Report was presented by Steve Scheideman.

- Discussed State Rally attendance and financials.
- Discussed approval of 2020 Budget.

Membership Report was presented by Rober Crowdis.

- Discussed returned check.

Legislative Report was presented by Skee Dodson.

- Discussed TDLR and their Board Meeting on YouTube.
- Discussed the trip to MRF's Meeting of the Minds and award for Texas for being most active on communication regarding Highway bill, and personal award for being in top 10% of recruiters for new/renewed members.
- Discussed November 3 elections.
- Discussed Legislative Day; Out of State attendees, REQUESTED each set appointment with their legislator, Hotel, COC&I Briefing and talking points.
- Discussed the importance of getting to know your Legislators.

Newsletter Report was presented by Bearpup.

- Deadline the 20th of month.
- Requested articles from chapters.

Products Report was presented by Tina Dodson.

AMSEP Report was presented by BearPup.

Security Report was presented by Geoff Waguespack.

Board of Director Reports

Arlington Chapter Report was presented by Doni Evans.

Denton Chapter Report was presented by David Dennis.

- New signature cards will be done.

Lake Cities Chapter Report was presented by Rober Crowdis.

Texoma Chapter Report was presented by Garry Lilly.

Motions

Motion: Moved by Garry Lilly and seconded that the 2020 State Budget be approved as written. The motion carried 4 votes for, zero votes against, and no independent member vote.

Motion: Moved by Garry Lilly and seconded that Texas ABATE Officers nominated for 2021-2022 term and Independent Board Member for 2021 be elected by acclamation. The motion carried 4 votes for, zero votes against, and no independent member vote.

Motion: Moved by Garry Lilly and seconded that Texas ABATE donate \$500 to Texas COC&I for Legislative Day expenses. The motion carried 4 votes for, zero votes against, and no independent member vote.

Motion: Moved by Garry Lilly and seconded that Texas ABATE donate \$500 to the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). The motion carried 4 votes for, zero votes against, and no independent member vote.

Announcements and/or Discussion

- David Dennis will consult with Thumper about website options.
- December meeting will be hosted by Texoma ABATE; December 5th, location TBA.
- Freedom Fighter program discussion; contact Skee for details.
- Legislative Day/Texas COC&I Meeting/Briefing; Skee to request an ABATE table for info.
- Discussed moving meeting back to Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov to keep nominations and elections opening and closing at a Board Meeting instead of between meeting months.
- Discussed Membership Booths at other organization events.
- Discussed holding Meet/Greet type BBQ or Breakfast with Bikers in March at Capitol.
- Discussed holding 2021 Texas ABATE Legislative Seminars.
- Discussed phone calls for expired members.

Adjournment

Dad adjourned the meeting at 3:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Robin Warfield,
Secretary