

October Meeting Minutes of Oahe A.B.A.T.E.
Oct. 8, 2011 • Chateau Bar in Fort Pierre, S.D.

President Brandon Butler called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m. with eight officers and eight members in attendance. The Treasurer's Report was given by Treasurer Steve Schwellenbach and accepted. He noted we have received the copyright for the slogan "Best Bikers by a Dam Site." Membership Secretary Tina Flynn disclosed we currently have 68 members. State Representative Joe Kelley reported there have been some instances in Sioux Falls where motorcyclists have been pulled over for tinted windshields. Attached is a .pdf of a hand-out of "Conflicting Motorcycle Statutes Regarding Windshields/Wind Deflectors." The State Board of Directors will consult with the ABATE lobbyist to determine if legislation needs to be proposed on this issue.

Old Business:

- Joe made contact with Norm Nystrom and Nystrom's Goose Camp has been secured indefinitely as the site for future Fun Runs.
- We have been selected to decorate a tree at the Capitol again this year. Lori Butler, Marcia Kaup and Jolene Juneau will meet at the Capitol on Wednesday, Nov. 23, to decorate the tree. Lori will let the Christmas at the Capitol Committee know what color lights we will be using.
- We still have Flood Run coozies for sale as well as Fun Run t-shirts. Contact Brandon if you would like to purchase anything.
- Nominations were accepted for all officer positions except President and State Representative. So far the nominations we have are:
Vice President: Jim Bruce
Treasurer: Steve Schwellenbach
Secretary: Marcia Kaup
Membership Secretary: Jolene Juneau
Event Coordinator: Kevin Schaefer
Road Captain: Monty McNaught
Sergeant of Arms: Kip Eickhoff
Additional nominations can still be made (and are encouraged!) until elections, which will be held at the at the November meeting; please be sure to attend and make your voice heard.

New Business:

- The Christmas party will be held Dec. 2 at Bubba Ray's. We will be having Casino Night. Deb Greer and Kristy Dozier will contact businesses for prizes. Raffle tickets are available to sell to raise money for our Toy Run. Prizes are First place: \$250 in beef; Second place: \$100 Wal-Mart gift card; and Third place: \$100 certificate to Kozmedics Custom Cycles. Contact Lori at lori_94@hotmail.com for tickets.
- Kip Eickhoff proposed having a Chili Ride this fall. Weekends are pretty booked so it was decided it may just have to be a spur-of-the-moment ride.
- Dawn Trapp reported that she had received an e-mail from Laura Snow, the new motorcycle safety program coordinator, asking for input from Oahe ABATE members. She's wanting to put together a list of questions, facts, etc., that would be of interest to bikers coming into South Dakota. She's looking for help with the following two questions: 1) What motorcycle visitors may want to know about riding in South Dakota? And 2) What things you like about riding in South Dakota? It was decided that Dawn should send out a separate e-mail to all Oahe ABATE members with the survey questions and that she would compile the info and forward it to Laura.

Next meeting will be Nov. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the private room at Pizza Ranch in Fort Pierre. Oahe ABATE will be purchasing \$50 worth of pizza.

A motion was made by Joe, seconded by Lori, to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m. Dennis Bruce won \$27 in the 50/50 drawing. Jeanne Simpson was drawn for the SOL (\$65) but was SOL because she didn't attend the meeting.

Dawn Trapp, Oahe ABATE Secretary