

April Meeting Oahe ABATE Chapter
April 9, 2016 – Bill Poppenga's Garage

President Bonnie London called the meeting to order at 6:42 pm by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 12 members and with BACA (Bikers Against Child Abuse) members Limo and Mato also present. They gave an informal presentation of what the purpose of BACA is and encouraged anyone that would be interested to come to one of their meetings that are held at the Grey Goose Social Club in the Speak Easy room on the last Tuesday of the month. If you want more information contact Ryan Riedy at the Grey Goose Social Club.

Treasurer Bill Poppenga gave the Treasurer's Report which included account balances and a detailed list of money taken in vs. money spent. Joe motioned to accept the report. Brad seconded the motion. Motion carried.

State Rep Lori Butler was absent and Marcia sat in for her at the March BOD meeting and reported that total membership is 1559; there were 21 new members added in February. Jiggs would like the membership secretaries to include email addresses when submitting new member/renewal forms. She will give them to Jiggs to use in case a CTA is necessary. The printer sends names of undelivered Freedom Flyers to Karline. Send address corrections to Karline if she notifies the membership secretaries of a bad address. The MRF is looking for a lobbyist so if you know of someone who would be interested tell them to send a resume to Hardtail at hardtail@mrf.org. SB85 was dropped by Senator Haverley and passed in the senate and house unanimously and was signed into law by the governor. It was a cleanup bill that had motorcycles included to have 2 license plates but was never followed. New ABATE of SD hats are available from Susan and the 85 mile hats are also available. Trudy will no longer be the product manager once STEAM is over so if you know of someone who wants the job let Jiggs know. In 2018 ABATE of SD will be celebrating its 40th anniversary. Be thinking of T-Shirt ideas. Specialty plates are available now at no cost so ask when you go to register your vehicle or motorcycle. ABATE stickers are available from the product manager. The cost is \$5.00 per sticker. Vice Coordinator and Treasurer positions are up for nominations. Jiggs said he will stay on for 2 more years so essentially the Vice Coordinator will have 3 years of training before they step up to Coordinator. Get your name to Lori if you are interested in running for Vice Coordinator. Jan was nominated for Treasure and accepted the nomination. Nominations will be taken in May with elections being held then also. Nebraska attempted to repeal their helmet law for the 3rd year and it failed by 3 votes. The senator who introduced the bill had term limited out so they will have to start over. Jiggs entourages all to become a member of ABATE of Nebraska if for nothing else than monetary support. Next state meeting is May 21st.

Road Captain Weiner Menning reported that it was windy.

Secretary Marcia Kaup asked if any changes were noted regarding the March minutes. Nothing was brought forward for changes. Schmitt motioned to accept the minutes as submitted. Brandon seconded. Motion carried. .

Interim Membership Secretary Marcia Kaup reported we there are 80 total members. Four renewals were received prior to the meeting. Check the date above your name on the Freedom Flyer label for month you need to renew in. If you have questions send an email to oaheabate@gmail.com.

Old Business:

Oahe ABATE had 7 people attend Heartland STEAM in Sioux Falls on April 1-3. Bill has the list of who attended. If you want reimbursed ask him for a check.

Fun Run committee reported they are still in the planning process. Onslaught was booked as the band again for this year. The T-shirt design was chosen from what Linda Nye submitted. There were some design changes requested and Brandon will check with Linda to see if she minds the changes. Bring a generator along if you have one. Several business size ads have been sold for advertising space on the poster already. Prices are \$50.00 for a business card size and \$100 for double the size. Get a business card or have them send a digital copy of their business card to oaheabate@gmail.com. There will be more details available next month as the event gets closer.

The beer wagon needing fixed was discussed again. The business who will be doing the repairs was determined and Weiner will tell get word to them go ahead with the repairs to get it fixed as soon as possible.

The Awareness Run will be held on May 21. Oahe will put on a Dice Run again this year to be held for those who don't want to attend the BOD meeting. Meet at the Capitol at noon. Kickstands up at 1pm. Weiner will be in charge of the route. There will be a picnic at the Lilly Park Shelter at the end of the Dice Run and BOD Meeting. Bonnie and Marcia will get burgers, brats and buns ordered. More details at the May meeting.

It's Scholarship time again. One scholarship will be given to a student planning on furthering their education that will be graduation in 2016 and is attending Riggs or Stanley County. Applications are due by April 18. Anyone wishing to help with selection of the winner be at the Grey Goose Social Club at 7pm on April 18.

New Business:

Oahe will deliver flowers to the ladies residing in the nursing homes in Pierre again on May 8 (Mother's Day). Marcia will get a count and get the number of flowers needed to Joe asap. Meet at Eastside Pub & Casino at 11:00 on Sunday May 8 if you want to help. Some of the women don't have family close by to be with them on Mother's Day so this is always a rewarding experience.

Discussion on our chapter mission statement was held. Right now our mission statement is the same as ABATE of SD. Be thinking of what our chapter should have as a mission statement and bring it to the next meeting. If you want you can submit your idea to oaheabate@gmail.com.

With no more business to discuss the next meeting will be Saturday, May 14 at Nystrom's Goose Camp at 2:00pm for cleanup and mowing. Bring any equipment you think will be needed. In case of inclement weather the meeting will be held at the Grey Goose Social Club. There will be drawings for 50/50 and SOL and a Pot Luck after the meeting bring a dish to pass if you want.

Dennis motioned for the meeting to adjourn and Schmitt 2nd the motion. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:12pm.

Brandon won the 50/50 drawing. Dennis Stout was drawn for SOL and was NOT in attendance so was SOL. The amount increases for the next meeting.

Marcia Kaup
ABATE Oahe Chapter Secretary