

Oahe ABATE Chapter Meeting, Lonnie & Sarah Dozier's house, April 20, 2024

Call to Order: Called by Chapter President Roman LaMie at 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance led by Kristy

Members present: 21

Treasurer's Report: Sugar gave a report of all accounts for the month of March 2024. Specifics of this report can be found in the official record. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Brandon, seconded by Brad, approved.

Secretary's Report: Nancy had no changes to meeting minutes. Motion to accept the Secretary's report made by Ashley, seconded by Brandon, approved.

Membership Report: Jamie was absent. Sugar reported that there are 98 members according to the State report, and 3 renewals tonight.

State Representative Report: Snowflake gave the report for Rep Lori. Nominations were accepted: Treasurer-Syndi Holloman, Vice Coordinator-Hilary Klabunde, Legislative Officer-Doug Decker. Election will be in July. Kelly DeVries is working on a SD Booth set up at the Algona Freedom Rally to accept memberships. Approved to place an ad in the Sturgis Motorcycle Museum annual magazine to promote ABATE and congratulate Jiggs. Angie is working on the Road Hazard Program phone line since the current answering service is no longer available. Work continues with By-Laws committee, Finance Committee is being formed, and on moving our website to a new host/webmaster. Next state meeting is May 18th at 1pm at The Moose in Fort Pierre.

Road Captain: Because of Ashley's recent surgery, Chris will take lead for the Awareness Run and the Fun Run Poker Run.

The Awareness Run is Saturday, May 18, 2024. The ride starts at the State Capital Building, kickstands up at 12:00 pm. Stops on the run will be Zesto, Moose Lodge, Raven's Roadside Tavern, Grey Goose Store & Social Club, back across the Oahe Dam to the WestSide Bar, Fort Pierre. Hot dogs and burgers will be served. We will need people to bring the "extras" like salads, deserts, etc. A list of stops with addresses will be available on the back of the Dice Game sheets.

Old Business

Fun Run Committee

Lance Spears will be playing Saturday night. Friday is "open mic night". Roman suggested we consider this a teenage kegger with adult money. Raffle tickets will be available this week. Prizes are 2 weeklong passes to the Buffalo Chip for the 2025 Sturgis Rally, Fun Time Rentals-jet ski rental; and full synthetic service from Prairie ATV & Cycle. Family night is Thursday, bring the kids and dogs. Campers will not be allowed at the Fun Run site until noon on Thursday.

Reminder that Oahe ABATE will be providing security for Oahe Days on June 14.

Reported back from Heartland STEAM. Ride safe as girls, don't look like a girl when out riding by yourself. MRF information was shared. Everyone agreed there were some good speakers this year.

New Business

Motorcycle Safety Courses are available. We will still be donating a yearly membership for folks who complete the course. Several courses are available in the Pierre area, as well as Sioux Falls, and Rapid City. Information can be found at www.southdakotarides.com.

Dennis made a large donation to Oahe ABATE, which he requested to focus on kids. We can discuss a possible increase to the scholarship amounts and other ways to utilize this money. Also the 2024 Christmas party will be "On Dennis."

Announcements

Dennis Bruce will receive Military Honors at the Black Hills National Cemetery in Sturgis at 11:00 am on April 25, 2024. His final ride will be at 2:00 pm on July 4 in Algona, IA. More details will be made available.

Our next meeting will be May 11, 2024, 6:30 pm at LaCrista's house.

Snowflake made a motion to adjourn seconded by Brandon approved. Roman adjourned the meeting at 7:12 pm.

50/50 won by Sugar.

SOL was drawn for Scott Steinhoff, who was not in attendance.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy "Snowflake" Dewell
Oahe ABATE Chapter Secretary