

February Meeting Oahe ABATE Chapter
February 8, 2020 – Bill P's Garage

President Brad Brunns called the meeting to order at 6:37pm by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance with 12 members present.

Officer Reports:

Treasurer: Bill Poppenga gave the Treasurer's Report which included account balances and a list of deposits and expenditures. Motion by Kip and seconded by Roman to accept the report, motion carried.

Secretary: Brad asked if there were any changes to the January minutes. Motion by Jamie and seconded by Bill to accept minutes as published, motion carried.

Membership Secretary: Jamie Werner reported we have 55 members. Jamie will be sending out renewal postcards.

State Rep: Lori Butler reported that ABATE Legislative Days were a success, thanks to everyone that attended and special thanks to those that helped organize and put on this great event! Our bill, HB 1094, to repeal sections of law that still contained restrictions for carrying firearms on motorcycles is working its way through the Legislature. It has passed the House Ag committee with no opposition and passed the House floor Monday, Feb. 10th. It will now go to the Senate. Contact your Legislator now to support HB 1094! Discussion was held on adding to the state by-laws about state reps and unexcused absences at state meetings. Draft language will be brought to the March meeting. The state fundraiser has kicked off and tickets are available to purchase until all tickets are sold or by June 30th. Nominations were held for Vice Coordinator - Brad Skyberg was nominated and accepted. There were no nominations for Treasurer brought at this meeting. Next state meeting will be held on March 21 at The Moose in Fort Pierre at 1pm, all are welcome to attend.

Road Captain: Kip Eickhoff discussed options for the Awareness Run ride coming up in May.

Committee Reports:

Fun Run: Roman reported on options for first prize of the raffle. It was decided to get a Taurus Model 44. Bands for Saturday night were also discussed, and it was decided to book the No Worries band. The Fun Run will be held on Fri. June 26 and Sat. June 27, 2020, make plans to be there!

Awareness Run: Jamie reported that posters are printed. Burgers and hot dogs will be served at the East Side Bar at the end of the ride and conclusion of the BOD meeting.

Old Business:

Discussion was held on hosting a Bike Night at the Grey Goose Store & Social Club Roadhouse this summer and provide games, etc. sometime between May 14-September 3 from 6- 9pm. All agreed it would be a good idea to do this, but many questions remained. A decision was tabled until the next meeting.

Discussion on increasing the amount for the Ed Gould Scholarship was held. Jamie made a motion to increase the scholarship in 2021 and depending on the chapter's financial position and applicants received, two scholarships could be given. Roman seconded and the motion passed.

New Business:

St. Patrick's Day Parade was discussed. Topic was given to the Membership Committee to discuss and given direction to look at any parade opportunities during the year to increase awareness of our organization.

MRF Sustaining Membership is up for renewal. Jamie motioned and Koz seconded to renew, motion passed.

Announcements: Congratulations to Bill Poppenga for receiving the Oahe Chapter Membership of the Year Award!

The next meeting will be held on ~~March 13th~~ [on March 7th MK corrected the date to March 14th] at 6:30 pm at Prairie Cycle & ATV (613 N Deadwood St., Fort Pierre). Drawings for 50/50 and SOL will be held with a Potluck to follow. Bring a dish to pass if you like.

With no further business to discuss, Brad asked for a motion to adjourn. Jamie motioned the meeting be adjourned and Roman seconded, Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Koz won the 50/50 drawing. Jessica LaMie was drawn for SOL but was NOT in attendance so was SOL and the amount continues to grow!

Lori Butler, Acting Secretary