

September Meeting Oahe ABATE Chapter  
September 8, 2018 – Nystrom's Goose Camp/Fun Run Site

President Brad Bruns called the meeting to order at 6:43pm by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance with 14 members present.

Treasurer Bill Poppenga gave the Treasurer's Report which included account balances and a detailed list of money taken in vs. money spent. There are still some bills from the Fun Run that haven't been turned in.

Secretary Marcia Kaup had nothing due to no meeting in August.

State Representative Lori reported on the July meeting with: Legislative Days will be Jan. 10-12, 2019 at The Moose in Ft. Pierre. Oahe will provide the Friday supper as usual. Carl, State Products Manager, will have new 'I Lobbied at the State Capitol' patches available for purchase. Still looking for someone to take over the Mentor Program, contact Jiggs if interested. MOTM coming up Sept. 20-23 in Denver, there will be two Young Activist Scholarship recipients from SD - Jordyn Hanson and Andrew Nugent. Nomination for Vice Coordinator are still being taken, if no one is nominated Jiggs will appoint someone. Continued discussion on a Lifetime Membership recipient and starting a yearly Legislative Award, chapter discussion requested on these items. Next state meeting is Sept. 15th, 1pm at the Legion in Pierre.

Road Captain Kip Eickhoff was absent. Brad said the Kip will have a route and lead the Poker Run for Saturday, September 15 for the fundraiser for "the KOZ".

Membership Secretary Bonnie London reported there are 63 active members. DUE TO RENEW in JULY were: Thane Badger, Gene Geffre, Brad Houck, Clayton Krieger, Chance Stager, Jeremy & Kelly Thompson. EMBER: AUGUST: Lonnie & Sarah Dozier. SEPTEMBER: Lily Deters, Jolene Juneau, Tim Neyhart, Jamie Werner.

*Memberships received after the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month will NOT be printed until the following month so please allow at least 2 months' time for your new membership card to be printed and mailed out. If you should have received a card and haven't contact Bonnie.*

**Old Business:**

The stage is rented out for the day on Saturday August 11 and again for Bluntfest. Joe thanked Craig for doing some minor work to the stage and getting it to Blunt and then to Ft. Pierre. He also thanked Jamie for helping set up and tear down in Ft. Pierre.

Not mentioned but should have been is the Meet in the Middle Ride with ABATE members from West River to be held Sunday, September 16. Meet at DJ Clark Station at 9:00 and be ready to leave by 9:30. We'll meet the West River riders in Wall at 11:00 for lunch then ride the Badlands.

**New Business:**

A benefit for Koz is in the works for Saturday, September 15. A Poker Run is scheduled to LEAVE Eastside (611 S Lowell Ave; Pierre, SD) at 1:00pm. After the Poker Run there will be games, music and a Silent Auction. If you have items to donate for the Silent Auction, please contact Brad (605-222-8955) or Marcia (605-222-3107). Items worth would be appreciated at the time and they would like to have items gathered by Thursday at 5pm so all prep work can be done ahead of time. T-shirts will be available to purchase for \$20.00 each. Joe made a motion for the OA Chapter pay for the shirts with all proceeds from the t-shirt sales to go to KOZ. Roger 2nded and the motion passed. A GoFundMe page will be established within the coming week and it will be shared on A.B.A.T.E. Oahe Chapter Facebook page, Oahe ABATE group Facebook and will be sent via email. There is a \$2.90% +\$.30 sent fee for Credit/Debit Card transactions but no fees for setting it up through GoFundMe. Koz will be made the beneficiary and will have immediate access of all donations. Please share the announcement as soon as you can with friends and ask them to do the same.

A fundraiser has also been set up with Pizza Ranch to take place on Wednesday, September 26 from 5-8pm. A portion of the dine in and carry out sales will be donated to Koz. If you call in an order before 5pm be sure to ask that your order be included in the fundraiser for Koz. OA Chapter members and anyone else interested are asked to clean tables and wash dishes. Contact Joe at 605-280-7807 to volunteer.

Discussion was held on ABATE of SD selecting a non-member for a Lifetime Membership and starting a yearly Legislative Award. After some discussion Joe made a motion for Lori to take back to the BOD to give whatever membership ABATE of SD decides on and to start a yearly Legislative

Award. Jamie seconded. Motion carried.

All offices are up for nominations.

Joe made a motion for the following officers to remain. Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and the motion carried for:

**President** – Brad Bruns

**Vice President** – Brandon Butler

**Treasurer** – Bill Poppenga

**Secretary** – Marcia Kaup

**Membership Secretary** – Bonnie London

**Membership Secretary nomination:**

Joe nominated Jamie Werner. Dennis seconded.

**Sergeant-at-Arms Nominations:**

Bill nominated Craig Andres. Jamie seconded.

Roger nominated Dave Kleaveland. Joe seconded.

Brad nominated Dennis Bruce. Bill seconded.

**Road Captain Nominations:**

Brad nominated Joe Kelley. Marcia seconded.

Brad nominated Dave Kleaveland. Dennis seconded.

Nominations will also be taken at the October meeting with voting to follow. New officers will begin their duties at the January meeting.

Brad will send a thank you card will be sent to Woody Woodruff and the Buffalo Chip for their support for the past years with the donation of Buffalo Chip passes. A motion to include a 1-year membership for Woody was made by Joe. Bill seconded the motion and the motion carried. Bonnie will have membership mailed to her and it will be included in the thank you card.

The Toy Run Fundraiser/Christmas Party committee was established. Marcia will chair the committee with Bonnie, Sherry and Jamie helping. Bring Raffle ideas to the October meeting. We want to start the sale of the tickets asap. More details to follow.

The application for a tree at the Capitol was submitted. Marcia will know by the October meeting if OA was selected to participate. This year's theme is An Enchanted Christmas and was defined as filled with great delight, harmed, fascinated, mesmerized, spellbound or riveted. Be thinking about decorating ideas in case we ARE selected.

**Announcements:**

Brad has tickets for a Fundraiser Raffle for Chris Boxley is being held for a Hardwood Grill and for a raffle the Militiamen are having with proceeds going to Chris Boxley and Koz.

The October meeting will be held on October 13 at Bill's Garage (202 S Madison, Pierre SD) beginning at 6:30pm. Drawings for 50/50 and SOL will be held with a Pot Luck to follow. Bring a dish to pass if you wish.

With no more business to discussion Brad asked for a motion to adjourn. Joe motioned to adjourn. Jeff (and many others) seconded. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:03.

Sherry won the 50/50 drawing and Julie Roussel was drawn for SOL and was NOT present so was "SOL".

Marcia Kaup - ABATE Oahe Chapter Secretary