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| h.o.g. business meeting minutes |
| Agenda items |
| 1. Call to order: The August 2024 business meeting of the Ozark Mountain H.O.G. Chapter was held on August 27th, 2024, at the H.O.G. Room. It began at 6:30 p.m. and was presided over by Michael Vennekotter, Director, with Valerie Goodnight as secretary. |
| 1. Attendees:   Voting members in attendance included: Nic Lowther, Mike Vennekotter, Matt Conde, Valerie Goodnight, Ramonda Conde, Dwain Wilcox, Brent Emerson, Warren McDonald, Brian and Kathy Hartley, Michaell Wilcox, Nancy Elder, Brad Sanders, Gregg and Jeanne Randall, Debbie Vennekotter, Sherry Davis, and Archie Buckner.  Guests in attendance included: Shaun Davis  Members not in attendance included: Karen Ryan, Corey Elder, Jon Goodnight, Kim Burk, Scott Krepps, Antoinette Heitz. |
| 1. Approval of last meeting minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the previous July 23rd, 2024, meeting was made by Matt Conde and seconded by Warren McDonald . Motion passed by popular vote. |
| 1. Officer Reports:   ***H.O.G. Manager***: Nic Lowther- This is the final week under H&H ownership. The dealership will be closed on 9/3&4/2024 for inventory and re-open on Thursday 9/5/2024 under new ownership. Please take a moment to give the associates positive comments during this change. We had great positive feedback from the attendants for the H.O.G. posse.  ***Director:*** Mike Vennekotter- Adding to Nic’s feedback, he had a lot of feedback that Renegade was the best stop on the touring rally. Thanks for all those that helped. Mike wants to circle back and do our mid-year check in to the membership in general by doing a survey. Survey Monkey is expensive, so he asked the officers if anyone had access to a survey generator through work. Sherry Davis pointed out that we have access through our Google account to forms that we can create and send out to the general membership. Once that information comes back, we will schedule an officer’s meeting to review and discuss.  ***Assistant Director***: Matt Conde- Reminder to all officers regarding conduct from the ROC training.  ***Secretary:*** Valerie Goodnight- Quick report that on the ride that was lead last Sunday, when I contacted the restaurant, I do not normally ask if they accept all forms of payment as Cooky’s Café in Golden city only takes cash or check. They do have an ATM on site. Suggest that we might take that into consideration on other rides.  ***Treasurer:*** Ramona Conde- We have $ 5,639.90 in the bank. She has some cash on hand pending a deposit. All bills are paid. Approximately $3,000 of that money is designated for the HOGs for Kids. Renegade points were discussed and Nic said that Morse will not continue the points program going forward. Debbie Vennekotter reported that the credit card purchasing for HOG items will not go forward after Tuesday for now until the change in ownership is completed and then they will have to re-explore.  ***Safety Officer***: Dwain Wilcox- Stay hydrated, it is still hot out there.  ***Head Road Captain***: Brent Emerson- Thank you for all who assisted the day of the HOG Posse. He reported on his Road Captain program. A pilot has been completed with a few members/officers and he has been asked to document his program on paper and present to the Director/Assistant Director for review. Then it will be refined.  ***Sargeant-At-Arms:*** Warren McDonald- Reports that no shootings were needed today.  ***Activities Officers***: Brian and Kathy Hartley- Nothing to report  ***Ladies’ of Harley Activities Officer:*** Karen Ryan- Not present.  ***Ladies’ of Harley Ride Officer:*** Michaell Wilcox- Nothing to report  ***Membership Officers:*** Corey and Nancy Elder- Nothing to report  ***Merchandise Officer:*** Brad Sanders- Still learning from Jeanne.  ***Chaplains:*** Gregg and Jeanne Randall- Chaplain coffee meetings will restart in September and be moved to 9 a.m. at Architect Coffee.  ***Historian:*** Jon Goodnight- No present.  ***Fundraising Officers:*** Kim Burk/Scott Krepps- Not present  ***Food Team Officer:*** Antoinette Heitz-Not present.  ***Photographer:*** Brian Hartley- Keep sending photos  ***Newsletter Editor:*** Debbie Vennekotter- Newsletter articles are due.  ***Webmaster:*** Sherry Davis- Nothing to report.  ***Rally:*** Archie Buckner- Ride Leaders are needed. 12/day will be needed, and the rides will be needed by mid-winter. Ride coordinator will schedule a meeting within the next 30 days to review ride requirements . In addition to the guided tours, they are also in need of 36 self-guided rides. |
| 1. New business/Motions: 2. Rides can go to the same locations as many times a year as people want to plan them. -MV/VG No ride location is owned by any one person and as many rides as members want to plan can be completed. 3. Schedule mid-year (ish) check in-MV This will be scheduled after the membership can complete the survey (Sherry Davis volunteered to take this project and formulate the survey and send to the membership). 4. Who is posting pictures when Sherry is out of town and what is the picture posting policy for chapter rides?-MW There cannot be a back up on Facebook for posting pictures due to Facebook rules and regulations. Sherry posts the pictures even when she is out on vacation except for when they go out west as there is limited internet access. She needs people to share the chapter on Facebook. After discussion, there was no change needed to the current structure. 5. Implementing an accident chapter ride program.-DW Dwain brought up an idea to establish a program that highlights the number of days without an accident and have a cookout to celebrate the accomplishment. It would be for chapter rides only. During discussion it was brought up that there has not been an accident in the last four years. An alternative idea was that it be combined with the once per year Safety Meeting early in the year and have a cookout to emphasize awareness of accident prevention and safety. This needs to be added to the calendar. 6. Discuss the purchase of a new chapter refrigerator and grill.-MV The fridge is not cooling appropriately, and Sherry pointed out that it may still be under warranty. A couple of issues were identified: 1) there is too much stuff in the freezer that is impacting the refrigerator’s ability to adequately function, and 2) due to over-crowding, the door was not closing appropriately. These two things will be addressed and reassessed. The use of the dealership grill was discussed. The HOG chapter has been using the grill, but not cleaning it. A motion was made for the chapter to purchase a grill, but then there is logistical considerations of where to store it, who will clean it as the current grill is not being cleaned. There was discussion regarding looking for after Labor Day sales to get a better price. There is a need for more people to help at the socials with cooking and cleaning. Mike will check on pricing. Brian brought up that it is the last step of cooking, is to clean the equipment. Periodic deep cleaning will be needed. Nic suggested that he does not think that the HOG chapter should spend money on the grill as the dealership will be replacing their grill. The clean up portion is still especially important. This will be brought up at the next social for increased help with set up and clean up. 7. Social set up and tear down-KH This tied in with discussion above about the grill and refrigerator. The request would be for people to come around 5-5:15 p.m. to help set up and then tear down, which would include washing off the tables before and after dinner. Historically the Road Captains helped with this but has not been the case in recent history. Brian to bring up at the next social. 8. Harleyween-KH Scheduled for 10/26/2024. It is a joint event. The request has been made to keep the event close to the store as it also helps the dealership. There will be a sign-up sheet for assistance in set up and passing out candy. They are planning to have around 700 kids. The hours will be 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Usually it is cool out. Cook/grill should start about 10-10:30 a.m. Dwain and Archie will be working on the grill. There will be bikes/candy, bounce house, food, as well as a local fire department. 9. Question about writing up a simple flow chart on how to submit rides for new members…there seems to be some confusion and misconceptions about it.-VG The officers present felt like this had already been provided through new member orientation. Brent will write this as his article for the newsletter. 10. Chapter picnic and bug run-KH It is Luau themed. Dress up! There will be pulled pork and grilled pineapple. Membership to bring sides, blankets, chairs, etc. to enjoy. This will include a bug run at 5 p.m. for a 45” ride. There will be prizes! Total cost around $250 for the chapter to provide. 11. Chapter Ride Challenge Book: a.) the submission and scoring for this year; b.) More recognition for others/ideas; c.) what is the future of the ride challenge book; and d) more copies on hand when needed-BE Brent brought up the above information just to plant the seed in preparation for the upcoming year’s planning. It has achieved its purpose of planting ideas for people to ride and how can we build on that and make it even better? Where can we take it? Do we need a committee? No decisions, just putting it out there for people to ponder over. 12. Salute to Service-DV Considering serving breakfast. Prizes and giveaways in the form of points. 2000 for members who ride. There will be a write-up in the e-blast. 13. H.O.G. checking account-MV Due to the change in ownership, there will also be a change in the HOG bank account. No details yet, more details once the ownership change has been completed. 14. Review of Action Items-VG     1. Membership-No change     2. Rally-No change     3. Christmas Party-Tickets are here and on sale for $25/ticket. Dinner will be Italian     4. Poker Chips-On hold for now due to dealership sale, will pick up again in January     5. International Ladies Ride Patch-have been ordered, awaiting proof, once approved, they will be shipped. Need to obtain the rockers. |
| 1. Announcements: Johnna asked about the orange challenge book and can it be distributed to the entire membership. Discussion about making it known that they are available in the e-blast. She also had a question about having separate categories of recognition for the ladies in the chapter (i.e.: men’s achievements and ladies achievements). |
| 1. Adjournment: Matt Conde moved that the meeting be adjourned, Brent Emerson seconded it, and this was agreed upon at 7:52 p.m. |

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| ACTION ITEMS | OWNER(S) | DEADLINE | STATUS |
| Member Renewals | Nancy and Corey | On-going | On-going |
| Rally | Archie and Committee | On-going | In progress |
| Christmas Party | Matt C. | On-going | In progress |
| Poker Chips-Design and order? | Sherry | January | In progress |
| International Ladies Ride Patch | Valerie | On-going | In progress |
| **\_\_Valerie Goodnight**  Secretary  Ozark Mountain H.O.G. Chapter |  | 09/24/2024  Date of Approval |  |