## ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.

Saturday, April 9, 2022, 2:02pm State Delegate Meeting – Melbourne

**PRESIDENTS REPORT: Doc** – Announcement of the loss of Frizz, President of Gator Alley. *Information on the Contract was signed with AIL. Intro of Bill Sauer Public Relation Manager from the Insurance Co, American Income Life. A letter in the mail will also offer more benefits. If you mail the card back, you can participate in other services. You will be contacted for a zoom or tele-conference meeting. They are also offering a health service discount app. Also included will be a child fingerprint app. Also, an insurance needs analysis. Don't send the card if you don't want any of the other services. If you have question, please call Bill. He is trying to be at many meetings to go over the services. 4k Accident/Dismemberment for ABATE has paid 568,000 in claims since 2005. Community Credit Union called and asked if members of the Credit Union can be a member of ABATE of FLORIDA, Inc. Their members need to be a member of a Non-Profit 501c3. We will get a list of the members with their monies at the beginning of each month. These members will be AT Large until they decide which chapter they want to go. This will be a yearly membership and will also receive info on our chapters if they want to join a specific chapter.* 

## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Darrin – Excused

**SECRETARY'S REPORT: Lynn** – A correction to last minutes. "It was stated under New Business that our "voting is an open stick voting." That is incorrect, It will be corrected to a Roll Call voting.....". After this correction, entertain a motion to accept minutes as they are in your packet. SE made a motion to accept the minutes. Peace River seconded the motion. All in favor.

**TREASURER'S REPORT: Debbie** – Reminder about submitting 2 checks with you Treasury Report. One for Sales Tax and one for the 20%. Entertain a motion to accept the Treasurers Report as they are in your packet. Daytona Beach. All in favor but 1 opposed.

**STATE OFFICE REPORT: Brandy-** All reports will now be emailed to the EBoard members of each chapter. This will save money. Brandy will need to be contacted if emails were not received. Daytona asked if SGt at Arms will be included in the email. No, they will not. Only the 4 Emails for President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer. It was also mentioned that Staples *can/may* print items for free.

<u>SERGEANT-AT-ARMS REPORT</u>: Mudder – Everyone make sure they are visible to all drivers. Saving a life may be your own.

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Laurie** -

January - Highest %: Treasure Coast, I February - Highest %: Treasure Coast, I GREAT JOB! Keep up the good work.

Most New Members: Estero River Most New Members: Forest/Daytona Beach

**<u>PR/COMMUNICATIONS REPORT: Bill</u>** – We are still waiting for the approval of the Proclamation from the Governor's office. Hopefully it will be sent before May.

<u>WEBSITE REPORT/ Masterlink: Brandy</u> – Website is up and running. There are still some problems with the previous website that will need Patti Nasarallah to help clean it up. It is not allowing chapters to update.

**SAFETY DIRECTOR REPORT:** Need someone to step up

**PRODUCTS TRUSTEE REPORT: Shayne (Velcro)** – Any deal can be made. Special T-Shirts on sale. Sales Tax certificates available.

## LEGISLATIVE REPORT: Darrin – Excused

LOBBYIST: Doc – No bills were heard this session. It is common for no bills to be heard during an election session. Many bills asking for money were turned down. Doc is getting an appointment with the CFO. There will be many changes in the Legislator. Many have termed out. With little "money" bills heard this time, Doc will be talking to the new Secretary of Transportation, and HSMV. He wants to find out where our money goes. The delegation will decide if we are doing the same bills or include Profiling. We want to make sure that The Clubs will support us. Some Club members do not want to be part of ABATE due to the testifying before the Committees. But standing up in Committees might be what is needed to get them passed. Southernmost asked if the "Ride Smart" program that same as our bills. Doc – Totally different items. Daytona – Should we be approaching law enforcement about endorsing our bills. Doc – Law Enforcement doesn't like criminalizing everything. Our bills need some teeth, but too strong, it will turn away legislation. Peace River usually uses our bills to entice new members. Forest – Suggested to push Bills and sue for not being allowed to use the money from motorcyclist. The money in the fund is not being used for motorcycles. ABATE of Florida, Inc., has been audited and all its money goes to safety and education. Forest – would the lawsuit include back pay. Maybe they will pass our bill then. Treasure Coast – Will the bills be introduced again? Delegation will have to decide.

**LEGAL COUNSEL: Jerry T**- Jerry will be at the June meeting. He also has some items to go over with the delegation.

**NCOM UPDATE: Doc** – June 17<sup>th</sup>, 18th in Nashville. An award will be given to David Alan Coe at the ceremony.

**TALLAHASSEE 2023:** April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Dates were changed and voted on due to Easter. Forest made the motion, and Peace River seconded it. All in favor.

<u>STATE PARTY: Velcro –</u> Velcro is looking for a location in Central Florida. Bronson will be reviewed. Shayne still has sponsorship money and challenged the chapters to follow suit.

OLD BUSINESS: Nominations for State Office – 2nd Round	
President - Doc Accepted, Martha Accepted, Griz Accepted	Vice President – Darrin Accepted
Secretary – Lynn Accepted	Treasurer – Deb Accepted
Membership – Laurie Accepted	Public Relations – Bill Accepted, Bridget Accepted
Sargent of Arms – Charlie Accepted	Products – Shayne Accepted
Legislation – Darrin Accepted	Masterlink - Brandy Accepted

June will be the time to decide on the Lobbyist

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: Treasure Coast requested the voting to be changed to secret ballot. Because of the vote last meeting, it will remain the same. To be brought up at next election. Discussion was brought up on the reason for his request. Bylaws were read to clarify election process. Bill Bird stated that all elections were done vocal and ballots since he's been Election Officer and explained why. Gulf Coast stated that each chapter has chosen the delegates to be their voice concerning the election. Lake county reminded everyone that the chapters are the final word especially for the election.

**<u>GOOD TO THE ORDER</u>**: Chapter events were shared. 50/50 drawn. Drawing numbers read. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Lynn Corr