

A.B.A.T.E. Of North Idaho, Inc., Board of Directors Meeting

January 8, 2006

Meeting was hosted by the St. Joe Chapter at the Mark IV Motor Inn in Moscow, Idaho. Began at 12:15pm. Attendance: 5 State Officers, 8 Chapter Board members and 30 members & guests.

Minutes of October BOD meeting accepted.

Treasury Report: Bank balances and information are confidential outside the membership.

Officer Reports:

Coordinator- Moose talked about growth, new contacts, resources & responsibilities. To remember the effects of first impressions with neighbors, businesses, etc. Keeping a positive outlook allows for a strong & dedicated organization. Asked everyone to R.I.S.E. to the day and be positive. (Moose's full written report is on file).

Deputy Coordinator- Tim would like everyone to help to conduct meetings efficiently. Reminded us that his position is to help coordinate the committees. Asked that we recognize the fact that the "old-timers" want to keep to the original principals & goals outlined in our Mission Statement. He thanked the members who came along later for their dedication. Would like us to make a renewed commitment to the original goals and Mission Statement set forth many years ago. (Tim's full written report is on file).

Secretary- (Karen) ANI forms are in process of being stored onto computer & will be available to Chapters via email. Motions passed in 2004 and 2005 that affect our policies were read. Copies given to each Chapter. (full written report on file & given to each Chapter).

Treasurer- (Karen) Chapter Bank account housekeeping issues given to each Chapter.

MOTION passed to make it a State policy that an annual end of year State and Chapter inventory assets & value list be completed by January 30th for the preceding

year and sent to the State Treasurer. This policy will be a necessary part of our annual financial reporting. (full written report on file & given to each Chapter).

Membership Secretary- March is renewal month. Went over the membership guidelines and forms. Explained "Home" Chapters and membership in multiple Chapters.

Ambassador-At-Large- no report.

Webmaster- Copies of the *Website Update Information for Chapters* are available to all Chapters. (Full written webmaster report on file).

QuarterMaster- Rod Haux agreed to be the official State Quartermaster. The State trailer and supplies are being stored at his residence. The safe will be transferred to the new trailer.

CHAPTER REPORTS: Full written Chapter reports are on file:

Clearwater- Their "Birthday Run" on July 16th will conflict with the July State BOD meeting. Chapter asked that the State BOD meeting be changed to July 9th. It was agreed by majority only to change it. The Lewiston area Motorcycle Awareness Run is May 6th.

HooDoo- Adopted 16 kids for Christmas. Sent \$306. to the Food Bank. Goals are to increase membership and be more positive.

Kootenai- Had a very successful Toy Run plus supported a local family for the Holidays.

A State Legislator and a candidate for State Senate attended a couple of the recent Chapter meetings.

St. Joe- Chapter is busy this year hosting three Chapter Runs: Memory Run, End of the Sun Run and Too Broke for Sturgis Run. A talented member is making security and medical arm bands, Chapter banners and a Chapter Flag.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Newsletter- It was discussed to issue as needed or every couple of months. Revisited costs of newsletter. Jeffro Kirk volunteered to be the newsletter chairman.

Legislative- Full report by Tim on our LEGISLATIVE PREPAREDNESS PLAN. This State Legislative Agenda is outlined and a copy available to all members. Discussed members participation of this guide and it's importance to ABATE of North Idaho. There was a failed adult helmet law last year that we were not informed of. This guide will teach us how to be proactive. Motion made to agree to adopt the "Legislative Preparedness Plan". Motion rescinded, plan will go back to the Chapters for discussion. Talked about introducing a "turn-signal" Bill with the help of a local Senator. ***MOTION PASSED to accept and get behind the turn-signal legislation as an organization.***

Joel noted an article in the American Iron magazine regarding EPA's proposed regulatory restrictions on motorcycle tail pipe emissions and how it will affect motorcycling. More info is on the MRF website.

Financial/Budget- Financial data for 2004 is ready for CPA review. If the 2005 data can be collected, compiled are submitted to the CPA for review in a timely manner it is hoped to have a basic budget plan ready for consideration at the July 2006 State

BOD meeting. (Full written report on file).

By-Laws- No proposals or revisions were submitted. Copies of the guidelines are available. (Full written report on file).

Safety/Education-As it has been 6 months since the BOD reaffirmed our commitment to the fundamental priority of motorcycle awareness in general and the *Motorcycle Awareness Program*, the Chapters were asked to report on their progress made in getting the classes set up.

St. Joe Chapter- have contacted local schools to get dates. Have not heard back at this time.

Clearwater Chapter- Working on getting a committee and volunteer.

Kootenai Chapter – Have had no one volunteer to do it yet.

Hoodoo Chapter – Have discussed at meetings, no one has volunteered yet.

Tim noted that Rathdrum Star newspaper will cover the classes.

Contact Willie if anyone needs supplies, videos, etc.

Awareness Rally- Run is May 6th. Will do run backwards, starting at the Courthouse.

Karen Bolin from MRF may not be able to come this year. Skip Brandt is 90% sure he will make it. Norman will contact the city of CDA regarding the route change. Next committee meeting is Jan.14th, 10am in CDA. The Clearwater chapter Awareness Run is also May 6th.

Norman is planning a trip to Boise during legislation. Skip Brandt will help set up a tour.

Spring Opener – There will be a Chapters "to do" list at the committee meeting Jan.14th, 11am in CDA. The Chelan Rally has moved to the 2nd weekend in June this year.

OLD BUSINESS: Tim is working on the travel policy. Anyone who would

like to help should be able to do so through email.

2006 Seminars coming up so far: *AMA* Risk Management classes, *NCOM* Region 1 and the *MRF's* Best of the West in June.

NEW BUSINESS: The St. Joe Chapter's by-laws proposal to change their mailing address was approved and amended. Petitions for Recognition of Chapter were submitted from the Hell's Canyon Chapter based in Lewiston and from the River City Chapter based in Post Falls/Stateline.
MOTION PASSED TO ACCEPT AND APPROVE THE RIVER CITY CHAPTER PETITION FOR CHARTER.
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State Legislative Chairman position open. **MOTION PASSED TO APPOINT TIM HERZOG STATE LEGISLATIVE CHAIRMAN.**

State Sergeant-At-Arms position open. **MOTION PASSED TO APPOINT SCOTT SMITH STATE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS.**

Meeting adjourned 4:35pm.

State Ambassador-At-Large position open. **MOTION PASSED TO APPOINT ROBERT BESHEY STATE AMBASSADOR-AT-LARGE.**

OPEN FORUM:
Board asked to consider all renewals be \$15.00 no matter how long. (no patch). **MOTION PASSED THAT ANY STATE MEMBER THAT WANTS TO COME BACK WILL BE CHARGED THE RENEWAL FEE, NO PATCH.**

Recently lost some members. **MOTION PASSED THAT STATE WILL OFFER TO PAY \$20.00 TOWARDS MEMORIAL OF SOME KIND.** This can be a donation, flowers, or whatever the family would like.

National Coalition of Motorcyclists membership is *free*. Three members attended the Region 1 seminar in October. A report is available upon request.

Cat Kirk asked that her Meeting of the Minds materials collected be turned in to the State records.

Clearwater Chapter is raffling half a pig on March 19th to benefit Nicolas Asheby.