

**ABATE of North Idaho**  
**Clearwater Chapter**  
Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2008

New Chapter Coordinator Kathy Dill called the meeting to order at 12:14 pm. The meeting was held at Dee and James' house.

There were 4 Officers, 8 members, and 0 guests present at the meeting.

The last meeting minutes were read. Jesse motioned that the minutes be approved, Chuck seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

**Coordinator report:** Chapter Coordinator Kathy Dill welcomed in all the new officers. Kathy reported that there was nothing new to report on. Jesse then pointed out that to the best of his recollection this is the first time our chapter had more woman officers than male officers, and the first time our chapter has had a females hold both Coordinator and Deputy Coordinator positions. So here is to not only a new year but also a first for our chapter.

**Deputy Coordinator report:** Our new Deputy Coordinator Jody Favre reported that she was able to place herself on the bank account without any problems. Jody then stated that she had no other report at this time.

**Secretary report:** Dee gave an update to the chapter on Pauline. Pauline has decided to remain in the chapter, she just doesn't wish to hold a state officers position at this time in her busy life. I wish her much luck with her new business venture. Dee then reported that she is was sorry for all the misspelling of Jody's last name in the previous issues. The proper spelling of Jody's last name is Favre and it is pronounced Favre. Does everyone now know how to pronounce it? The next issue Dee brought up was the fact that the officers contact information was not known to all our chapter members and inquired about what the chapter would like to see done on this issue. Jody asked if the officers would have a problem with the information be placed on every set of minutes sent out. It was agreed that the information should be placed in the minutes that are sent. For more contact information on the entire chapter a member only has to contact Lindsay for a copy of the membership list. Dee inquired about the state web site, Dee was then informed that after the state meeting on Sunday she would know more about the web master issue. It was then mentioned that Dee would need ink to print out this issue of the minutes and she was given authorization to use the debit card when it came in to purchase ink. Skip then inquired about who all was being sent the minutes and who all received the minutes by email. Dee informed the entire chapter that the minutes were emailed to everyone whom she had email addresses for and everyone was sent a copy of the minutes through the mail, even if you received the minutes by email. Jody then commented on the fact that she liked the postcard added to the end of the minutes. Note to all members if you have an email address and would like to receive the minutes by email also please email me at [dch04@earthlink.net](mailto:dch04@earthlink.net) and I will start emailing them to you also. (To those of you who receive this by email, my address is not a link in this letter.)

**Treasurer report:** James Hutchinson our newly elected Treasurer was present as Jesse gave his final report as official Treasurer. (Boy I sure hope that I can remember the new treasurer information and don't screw up on his name like I have accidentally done in past issues to some of the other officers.) Jesse reported the current balance of the bank account. Jesse then informed the chapter what the balance for the special account for the donation to MRF was.

**Membership report:** Lindsay was unable to attend the meeting due to work but we still have 54 members

**Ambassador at Large:** Steve was absent so there was no report.

**Safety report:** No report available.

**Correspondence:** Kathy stated that she had received from the pen company and they had sent her a keychain with the chapter information on it. Kathy inquired if the chapter was interested in ordering. There was discussion on the key rings but the fact that they were made of metal the chapter worried that if we were to use them they might scratch the tanks on the motorcycles so it was agreed that we would not order any. Dee then passed around the thank you card that the chapter received from the family of Peggy Shoup family. Chuck then mentioned that he forgot to bring the receipt for the flowers sent but he would bring it next meeting to ask for reimbursement. Dee then passed around the pen and magnet that she had received from the pen company for the chapter to see. Dee then mentioned that she received a bill for the Christmas Card Company and asked the chapter for permission to pay the bill. Jesse informed the chapter that they had already paid the bill. There was a discussion on the issue because the payment did not show up on the bank records. Dee said she would look into the issue.

**My Space report:** Kathy reported that we have 349 friends on the site and 24 of them are ABATE chapters from around the world.

**Old Business:** Kathy inquired about the issue of the bank account. How many members are we allowed to have on the account? Dee told the chapter that she had inquired about this issue at the bank and was told we could have as many as we would like. Jody then asked why James as the treasurer was not on the account? Jesse motioned that James be put on the account. Terry seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed. Kathy then asked who had the Post office key. Dee informed the chapter that Pauline had turned the key over to her and she was checking the mail every day or two. The issue of the fact that only one key for the PO box was in the possession of the chapter and what would the chapter do if for some reason Dee was unable to check the mail who would. The chapter then decided that it would be a good idea for Dee to acquire another key and give to Chuck to hold for safekeeping. (Give to Chuck to hold for safekeeping—Do we know Chuck? We know he would have it, the question is where.) Dee motioned that Chuck should give Moose our chapter donation the next day at the state meeting. Jesse seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed. Chuck agreed to use a personal check and the chapter would reimburse him on Monday. Dee said she would go to the bank on Monday and have James put on the account and remove the money to reimburse Chuck at the same time since she had to make the deposit anyhow. There was a slight discussion about the by-laws and the bank account. The chapter agreed to not change anything. Dee then read the final draft of the By-Law proposal the chapter was to present to the State at the Meeting on Sunday. The chapter agreed that the wording and all was in order, and the proposal stated what the chapter wanted changed.

**New Business:** The first discussion up on the table was our recipient family for the Spring Raffle. At our last meeting the chapter agreed to have the Baird family as our recipient. At the time we were unaware of the fact that a benefit auction was in progress for the Baird's. Michelle, our chapter's biggest legwork person, had spent the past weeks getting donations for the auction. The question in front of the chapter was would this affect the chapter's ability to get donations for the raffle. Kathy then read an article about a young girl Katie Barron whose family is in need of help to pay for the expenses of the young girls medical and traveling expenses. Katie has Leukemia. After a lengthy discussion the chapter agreed to keep the Baird's as our raffle family. Chuck then motioned that we

have Katie as our chapter's project recipient for the year. Skip seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed. Jesse then made a motion that the chapter provides the cost of the ½ pig for the raffle. Linda (one of our twins) seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed. After a discussion by the members Jesse made a motion that March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 at 10:00 am would be the day and time for the raffle drawing. Laura (our other twin) seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed. The chapter then agreed, after the drawing for the raffle we would hold a meeting to discuss our chapter by-laws and any possible updates. Kathy then stated that the chapter would need to provide to the state on Sunday a list of our events for the years to be approved by state. So far the scheduled events are: Awareness Run May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008, Birthday Run/Wilderness Campout Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008, and Friendship Run Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> and Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. Dee will provide the list for the state meeting. Kathy then stated that she had met with Joe and Robbie and they told her about their wish to put out donation jars to help them with their cost of the friendship run. The chapter agreed that they could but they were not allowed to use the ABATE name on the jar label. I don't recall if the chapter discussed if they were allowed to use the 'Friendship Run' on the jars. The chapter will continue to do as we have done every year. Jesse then suggested that the chapter provide the port-a-potties every year. The issue then brought up was it would make it seem like the Friendship Run was a chapter event and it is not, it is an ANI event. It was agreed not to consider such an action. Discussions then turned to the patches for the Friendship Run. Jesse motioned that the chapter purchase year patches for the run. Dee seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed. Kathy agreed to check into the cost. Dee motioned that the chapter purchased 75 patches. Chuck seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed.

**Open Forum:** Kathy produced a bag with chapter pictures in it along with the chapter scrapbook. Anyone interested in doing the scrapbook please contact Dee since she is now in possession of the bag.

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Jody and she donated her winnings back to the donation pot to go to Moose. Thank you Jody!!

Last month, Jesse won the Gag Gift. Jody won the gag gift this month.

Kathy reminded the chapter that the state meeting would be Sunday Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and anyone interested in attending could attend.

Our next meeting will be Feb. 2nd, 2008 and will be held at Dee and James' house in Orofino. It will start at 12:00 pm.

Ron motioned that the meeting come to an end, Terry seconded the motion a vote was taken and the meeting ended at 2:28 pm.

Donations for broomstick pool were collected.

Dee, Secretary  
Clearwater Chapter  
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**May the New Year in front of us all  
be full of happiness and joy.  
Live Well and Ride Free Brothers and Sisters!!!!**

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To All Clearwater Chapter Members

Next Meeting Time: February 5, 2008

12:00 pm NOON

Meeting Place: Dee and James' house  
In Orofino

For meeting directions call Dee or James