

JUNEAU ABATE
January 14, 2014
Annual Meeting
Minutes

Attending: Ben Peyerk, President; Pam Johnston, Vice President; Nancy Hudson, Treasurer, Don Johnston, ABATE Rep; Bob Heflin, Legislative Liaison; Donn Heflin, Secretary, Mike Dilger, Cynthia Hansen, David Hansen, Lumpy, Dan McCrummen, Darrell (Ted) McKnight, Jeff McKnight, Bill Morris, Brian Prellwitz, Brian Pringle, Joe Stewart

President Ben called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Nancy provided the Profit and Loss report and Trial Balance. She advised that ABATE would need to watch expenditures carefully and stick to the budget. The grant only provided \$1,000 this year, and more than that was paid to have the grant request prepared. Changes in how grants are given have resulted in much more restrictions in awarding funds.

Secretary's Report: Nancy made a motion to dispense with the reading of the August minutes and accept them as written. Pam seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

ABATE Legislative Coordinator Report: Bob warned that riders need to pay attention to avoid more restrictions on their riding rights. The Juneau noise ordinance passed. It does not specify a level so that is left to officer discretion. Riders need to be aware of this and throttle down in places where noise can be a problem. Senator Egan has introduced mandatory headlight legislation. If all vehicles have headlights on all the time, motorcycles will fade into the background and be harder to see. Bob provided contact information for Senator Egan. The Center for Disease Control is now pushing for mandatory helmet laws. The EPA is starting to back down on requiring E15 fuels due to pressure brought by various organizations. Use of E15 fuel can be harmful to motorcycle engines and can void the warranty on the vehicle. Virginia has defined what is a motorcycle versus an "autocycle". The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is funding road stops to collect DNA samples. These are not mandatory stops, but officials use marked vehicles and lights to intimidate people to stop. Motorcycle manufactures are coming out with black boxes on bikes. There is a question about who owns the data in those boxes. The next MRF meeting (Meeting of the Minds) is in September in Kansas City Missouri. Bob plans to attend and would like to have at least conference fees covered if not travel and accommodations.

Rep Report: Don reported that he is not continuing as ABATE rep. He has submitted the 4th quarter report to the Motorcycle Safety Foundation and there is a credit toward the 2014 insurance. The bikes were not fully winterized last fall, but Don and Pam pulled the batteries out and they are charging as well as a few other fixes to get the bikes through the winter. They will need to be cleaned up and have oil changed in the spring. Don has the documents on the bikes to pass on to the person who will be maintaining the bikes. Ben thanked Don for doing a great job. The coaches really appreciate Don's upkeep of the bikes and the range.

New Business: Elections were held for new officers. Nominations were:

President:	Pam Johnston
Vice President:	Don Brand
Treasurer:	Nancy Hudson
Secretary:	Cynthia Hansen

The following positions were also appointed:

Webmaster:	To be determined
Range Coordinator:	Paperwork , Bob Heflin Bike repairs , Mike Dilger Range maintenance, Dan McCrummen Gas, Ben Peyerk

May Rally Coordinator: Pam Johnston and Ted McKnight will meet to coordinate

Scheduling Coordinator: Pam Johnston

Ride Coordinator: Jeff McKnight

Three new board members were nominated:

Dan McCrummen

Bob Heflin

Ben Peyerk

The nominations and appointments were put to a single vote, which passed with no objections.

There was discussion of the most effective meeting time for ABATE. It was decided that ABATE would meet on the second Saturday of the month at 10:00 am at the Broiler. This will be a combined meeting with the local HOG chapter although some business will be handled separately.

There was discussion about meeting with Senator Egan regarding headlight regulations. Bob will set up a meeting with the Senator and email members when it is going to be held.

The coaches will set up a meeting to schedule classes for the 2014 season.

President Pam adjourned the meeting at 7:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Donn Heflin

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