

JUNEAU ABATE
October 3, 2011
Minutes

Attending: Pam Johnston, President;; Roland Pope, Vice President; Bob Heflin, Legislative Liaison; Don Johnston, Co-coordinator Rider Education; Donn Heflin, Co-Secretary; Linda Johnson; Mark Johnson;, Ben Peyerk; Tina Peyerk;, Larry White

President Pam called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

President: The HOG ride on September 17 raised \$1,250.00 for the Floyd Dryden's Breakfast program.

Vice President Report: There was no Vice President Report.

Secretary Report: Draft minutes from the September meeting were distributed. Larry made a motion that the minutes be approved as written. Bob seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Pam asked Larry to have the August minutes ready for the next meeting.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer was not present. President Pam passed on that all the grants have been submitted and all but two have been approved.

ABATE Rep: Don reported that the lock on the storage unit door had been pulled loose, but it has been fixed. Nothing appears to be missing.

The two signs for the Dot parking lot are in the conex. Air dryer canisters have been placed in the conex. Trash pickup will be done this week. Larry passed on that DOT would like to have the trailer moved. Don will take care of moving the trailer.

Don will work over the winter to get estimates for range changes and striping. Ben suggested different colors for different exercises. Larry said he would check with the regional manager at DOT to see if they have any problems with this and let Don know. Once Don has that information he will start getting estimates.

Legislative Coordinator: Bob reported on overall issues facing most of the nation on motorcycle concerns that were shared at the Meeting of the Minds (MoM) in Detroit from September 22-25. Next year he would like to take money from Juneau ABATE to contribute to MRF for support of the legislative rep in Washington DC.

Bob distributed a report from MoM covering the general sessions and Constitutional Rights sessions. Next year the MoM will be in Durham, North Carolina. Donn and Ben reported on the break out sessions they attended. Donn attended : "Accessing Public TV", which focused on using cable TV to get your message out, "Getting More 'Bang' for Your Buck" a presentation on use of current social media to grow local organizations, "Sportbike Riders, Bridging the Gap", a session led by sportbikers

who shared what things they relate to and how to open communications, and “Magic Members & Toxic Members”, a presentation on dealing with members who are disruptive and destructive to the goals of the organization and identifying and recruiting members who will be workers for the organization. Ben attended “DIRT, What in the !!!!” which explored combining the efforts of different advocacy groups (street and off-road) to improve the growth and efficiency of each, “MRF Awareness & Education 3 R’s” focusing on alcohol awareness and responsibility of individuals to be responsible, ride responsible and take responsibility for their actions, “Proper Braking Techniques” a demonstration of the proper way to stop in various situation, “Overview of Advanced Rider Course” taking a look at the newest course for advanced riders, “Safety Officers and Road Captains, Fulfilling the Role”, a discussion about safety of members during group rides, skills practice, alcohol and riding gear. Ben volunteered to do a “safety spot” at future meetings

There was discussion of how to apply the information shared to improve the work Juneau ABATE is doing.

Old Business: Pam has requested a meeting with DOT managers to discuss placement of signs with the goal to have one sign at the entrance to the parking lot.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29pm

Respectfully submitted,
Donn Heflin, Co-Secretary