

## ABATE Minutes – Meeting January 26, 2017

Call to Order by President- Radar

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer Held – given by Rita and several members held extra in prayers

ABATE Mission Statement read by Radar for the Value it gives us to Promote and Defend Motorcycle Freedom, Safety, and Awareness through education and legislation to make Oklahoma the Best Place to Ride.

ABATE of Oklahoma is the Only Organization in the State that has ever gotten Bills passed into Law.

New Guests –We welcomed two guests who were a member but not active recently, and members of Downed Bikers who previously were involved with Toy Run.

Presidents Report-Radar held Executive Committee Meeting with Mike and Shawna Scholten in attendance. Discussion held on Rogers County ABATE disbanded due to not enough active members. Radar reached out to them with support but stated they don't think they can maintain it longer; if so Radar welcomed them to join us.

Radar thanked the Board Members for helping in taking over some things and covering for him during his medical matters.

Old Business- Radar gave a huge Thanks to everyone who helped with the Toy Run 2016 making it the largest this side of the Mississippi.

Radar noted there was a survey done last year for input and tried to do that for members. Will have a new survey for next meeting again to see what worked and what new may be necessary to input.

Sign for Adopt a Highway- Radar checked and it involves a 2 mile stretch of road in Broken Arrow with a two- year commitment to every other month pick up trash along said site for sign; one must be older than 11 years of age and they provide the bags, vests, and safety sheet: and there is a prominent Sign Area available. A show of hands showed interest to do; motion to accept by Carol King and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doc. Not Opposed. To let every-one know next month when locked into place.

Membership drive- New Member reimbursement for 1<sup>st</sup> dinner at Mazzio's; Under the Chapter new member drive, member will receive a Pink Ticket towards a drawing at the end of the year. Cheryl as Membership Coordinator will keep track and give out pink tickets.

Treasurer's Report- Cheryl noted that 2 letters were received for donations of Plush Toys that were donated to Broken Arrow Police Dept. to hand out and also read a letter which came from the BA Police Chief and officer's family for money collected at Toy Run T-shirt Sale for BA Police Officer who lost his life in an accident. Also note, a donation made to ASPCA Animal Organization on behalf of Irene Brinker.

**Treasurers Report** – Read Balance start was \$14,940.10 with income of \$11,213.07 and disbursements of \$13,309.38, giving an ending balance of \$12,843.79. Motion to accept Bob and 2<sup>nd</sup> Jeannie

**Secretary's Report** – first minute's report (not timely) by Nina Dresser had some spelling issues but

Motion to accept Diane 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne

## **State & Committee Reports**

**Legislative Report** -John Pierce glad to see and have new folks here. Several Bills left hanging at end of year. One such as was in reference to height of handlebars; law is vague; call him if ticketed for such.

Bill for ABATE License Plates to be re-opened was lost last year; noted have to sell 180 plates within year to acquire them.

Noted we have a Professional Lobbyist known as Lobby Joe, lives in Ada, and is a Military Veteran. We'll need to be defensive this year because approximately 23-24 new legislature voted in at the past election.

He mentioned Gunner's Law added a \$3.00 fee to motorcycle, It was asked if that was run by ABATE. John said it was managed by OHSO motorcycle committee which has two ABATE members and Two ABATE members as alternates on a board of ?? members.

Will again address Bill for Toll Pike Rate for motorcycles since based on weight, we pay same fee as a 4-axle vehicle and will ask State again for 25% discount. There is one state that doesn't charge for motorcycles. Lobby Joe and John will go and speak on behalf of ABATE; get one day to speak to Senator Lobby at Capital. Keeps us recognized as being polite and able to make friends to help see our position.

Legislative Day not set yet as Capital is being restored and will be set at a later date.

John Pierce's contact information also on Website is phone #918-859-6171; email is [mrfogman@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mrfogman@sbcglobal.net)

**State Board Meeting** was cancelled due to ICE (weather not immigration!).

ABATE has not received documentation of Profiling due to M/C Bill in hopper-not passed.

Radar asked the COC for a copy but per John has not gone further. Commissioner Michael Thompson would like to be informed if it happens.

Randy Hutchinson from Priesthood made an inquiry about colors at State Fair in OKC; were marched to gate and refused admittance; and it was a local issue.

The Motorcycle Groups were thanked for being the best behaved in Washington, DC while at Legislature.

**Downed Bikers** -no report OU game

**Membership Coordinator** -Cheryl reported 12 new members Nov and Dec; Rita signed up 2, Doc-1, James-1, 2 Chapter Meeting in Nov 2016 and rest at Toy Run. Bob Dresser will be helping Cheryl to check on old members, expiring members, welcome new members and try to grasp why (other organizations also having membership issues) and see if can get some to come back - may have been oversight and try to build up base.

Any new ideas should be submitted to Radar

Rick Cassidy thanked John Pierce for his work and shared that ABATE Tulsa was successful in getting 2 "Watch for Bikers" signs which, per City Engineers, are \$200 apiece and can only be located outside Dealership's -no money in City Budget for more.

Rick shared that he would like to see if a Poker Run or another way to help raise funds for more signs is possible. Some ideas were bounced around; noted they can only be put within area of Dealerships not out just any roadway; Radar suggested we hold onto idea a little longer

**Safety Presentation**- Carol reported a lot of sand still on roads be careful.

John Pierce reported on Platooning of Big Rigs can be electronically connected which will be a problem for Motorcycles trying to break through to exit highways. Also, noted automated cars with braking issues etc. causing problems for future and whose responsible.

**MRF Report** — Per John Pierce the Motorcycle Foundation in DC is also trying to get Federal Clout/new brochures next month go to MRF.org and can get email updates from website. Members to be meeting in DC with Senators.

**Share the Road update-** Radar working with the State and invited to Sperry Driver Ed Course and has several others in works

**Social Media update-** per Cheryl for Tulsa ABATE can go to Facebook and Instagram

## **Old Business-**

**Toy Run** – Per James Clark The Toy Run had approximately 3,000 to 5,000 Bikes; received over 10,000 presents. Expenses went up. Everyone seemed to like the Brady District, even though there were a few issues of motorcycles parking in lots and 2cars being towed in Brady District. Thank You again to all who helped make this great cause happen. Radar said congratulations to James for Job well done.

**Sgt. at Arms Position-** Carol nominated Rob Jones; Rita nominated Wayne; and Sam nominated Doc. Vote at February Meeting

## **New Business**

**Rides and Events** – per James Clark a run to JM Davis Museum in Claremore - Feb.25, 2017

10AM to 3PM BB Marksman \$3.00 for target and guns provided. Ride meeting place not yet, but discussed possibly meet at Fairgrounds-can have lunch at Hammett House. Make sure we have email and phone #'s if attending; guests welcome. Ride Up Route 66. Will be 2 days after monthly ABATE meeting

**Cox Home and Garden Show** – It was a free event and Cox donated the booth to ABATE. We're going to again do the event to reach new people/new members. James Clark has sign-up sheet to work the booth. Will be getting a new Poster of All Bills and have a Bike to draw attention. When Signing up new members please put member name down to get credit towards prize at end of year. Applications and payments can be taken at show.

**Announcements** – Per Road Runner Red & Gold Fundraiser for WACO 2/18/2017 no time yet will let Cheryl know to put on Facebook

Cat Fever 3/4/2017

Priesthood has Ride for Make- A -Wish 4/1/2017

Open Conference at Church 4/7 & 8/2017 more info to follow

8<sup>th</sup> Annual River Run info to be listed on Facebook . Camp Out Date not yet set March or April 2017

SMILE coming up in OKC-with topics and seminars to pick from and then a Banquet Friday March 10,2017 to Sunday March 12,2017. Weekend School with speakers from 8 other States -place not listed yet where it will be held more info to come.

Reminder for Tips- well done service

Guest Iris Bryant won \$25 QT Card

Thank you from Radar for Being Here - Rosie to order WACO Patches -DBA meeting next Monday

Motion to adjourn Carol 2<sup>nd</sup> Diane

Minutes taken by Nina Dresser, Secretary

Call to Order by President -Radar

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer held – by Jerry and several members held extra in prayers

ABATE Mission Statement read and Radar reminded that the officers are here to serve ABATE Members

Introduction of Guests: out of town first time Guests Ben West and Frenchie Marnne

Shout Outs-Radar-Home and Garden Show gave lots of Interest/ also noted by Jeff Williams people noticed and talked about at a Swap Meet. Poster done by Cheryl & James Clark along with John P. showing Bills Passed and Killed.

Presidents Report-Radar reported Adopt a Highway is available for Highway 51 by Bass Pro; can be done one way or two ways asked membership and 2 ways was agreed on; cleanup will be once every 2 months

Radar has Surveys to fill out and get back by end of meeting for gathering information.

Treasurers Report-Cheryl-Balance \$12,843.79; income \$388.01; expenses \$2781.53; Balance \$10,450.27

Motion to accept by Art and 2<sup>nd</sup> Carol

Secretaries Report- Cheryl sent out last month's meeting motion to accept Lyndon and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carol

Legislative Report- John Pierce welcomed new guests. Noted that the Tag Bill passed to House but will need at least 100 plates to start making them

Profiling Bill -no news on it

Upcoming increase in Turnpike Fees. Lost our contact and the New Replacement not understanding – will have to attempt to re-explain the reason asking for 25% reduction

Downed Bikers-per Rob next meeting is March 6 at Trade Winds Hotel. Benefit Run Reached Goals and we thank them for all their help at Toy Run. A suggestion was made by Doc to acknowledge them with a \$500 Donation; per John Pierce was done in the past; was done in the past they are a 5013C. Motion by Lyndon to adopt annual \$500 donation to DBA 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne. Rose made a motion to revise and add to review such donation every year and the amount up to \$500. Lyndon agreed to change and review every January to go as a group to donate to them. Carol 2<sup>nd</sup> motion; their meeting is March 6.

Membership – Cheryl reported 7 new members-Jerry & Debbie, Frenne, Ben, and 3 from Home and Garden Show. Congratulations!

State Board Report-Per John Perce a State Safety Officer is needed. MRF rep is now Gary Cannady. Discussion held on Grant money we last year got \$20,000. Put in for \$50,000 this year.

Share the Road Update-The Yellow Board which she got and John & James put together showing Bills Passed and those Killed was loaned out for a function and is getting good responses. Enid has a training course 3/4/2017 must register online. State per Radar is a little hard to cover due to large Counties by the presentation is easy to follow and gladly welcome people who was to get trained in presentation. If any member knows of an organization talk to them and let know available for FREE. Items put out for a trailer and crashed motorcycle for presentation, ordered 5000 handouts. Of the places where the presentation has been done would like it brought back for their organizations that it was well received.

Next month's State Board Meeting held at SMILE convention. Hope to see everyone there.

Safety Report-per Carol King Spring is almost here and due basics of checkup on motorcycles; there are work sheets available that Carol will make available to Cheryl to send out.



Social Media Progress on web site posts on Face Book and Instagram.

Old Business - Sgt. At Arms 3 people noted for position- Doc, Rob, and Wayne – Doc withdrew can't do training now. Rob was elected Sgt. At Arms

New Business-VFW ride coming up

James Clark has ride to Davis Gun Museum and lunch at Hammett House

New Proposed T-Shirt for Toy Run passed around – very sharp looking

Smile Convention – this year no re-imbursements. Sign Up online and make Hotel Reservations make note this is for ABATE 17 for room rates

Thanks to Mazzio's for delivery of food and clean up -remember them please

Drawing held for Gift Card #311- Debbie guest from las month

Motion to adjourn Carol King 2<sup>nd</sup> Doc

## ABATE Minutes-Meeting March 30, 2017

### Call to Order -President Radar

- **Pledge of Allegiance**- Sgt. At Arms- Rob
- **Prayer** – Jerry
- **Mission Statement** – The mission of ABATE of Oklahoma is to promote and defend motorcycle freedom, safety, and awareness through education and legislation to make Oklahoma the best place to Ride
  - o President Radar reminded all ABATE Members present of the ABATE Mission / all Officers are here to serve the Membership.
- **Introduction of Guests**- none this meeting
- **SHOUT OUTS** -from President Radar:
  - o To Art for obtaining gear needed for Share the Road; namely a Wrecked Motorcycle with History for the Share the Road Class. which helps for making a statement such as Gunner's tragedy.
  - o Also, Big Shout Out to John Pierce who has given notice that as of May 31, 2017, he will step down from the Legislative Representative Position he has held for many years. He will still be a State Board Representative, V.P. of Motorcycle Safety, and Advisor to Share the Road; (but also still available for advice with the Legislative Position).
- **Presidents Report**- Per President Radar
  - o it's a great time for Spring Cleaning on many things; to clean out the cobwebs left over from past year and start fresh new ideas. Share the Road has its own Face Book Page so as to give its own distinctive appearance to hopefully target a variety of people out in the social media world. We should also promote ABATE OF OKLAHOMA not just the Tulsa Chapter.
  - o However, that being said, one can belong at large or with a chapter such as Tulsa. At issue, has been the Sooner Abate Profiling Bill which is now dead in the water. It has always been the mission of Tulsa ABATE to have good representation and rapport with the Senators and Legislative Branch of the State Government.
- **Treasurer's Report**- Cheryl reported starting Balance of \$10,450.27 income from membership of \$25.00 and disbursements of \$75.00 leaving balance of \$10,400.27.
  - o Motion to accept by Doc and 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob D.
- **Secretary's report** -minutes of February 23, 2017 meeting sent out
  - o Motion to accept John P. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Diane.

### State and Committee Reports

- Legislative Report – J. P. Everything has been taken care of well to date except for old law on Books about ape-hanger bars which is outdated, no action to be taken. Last Bill was Tag Bill and put through.
  - o **A Senate Bill for Hands Free Cell Phone** was lobbied but not heard in Committee and probably won't come back.
  - o **Toll road fees** still an issue but there is a new person in charge and there is a hike in fees. not good timing; bring back later.
  - o **April 11, 2017 is Legislative Day** – meet at Capital 8:30AM. Due to renovations, no place to meet per-say but we need to have a presence in the State Capital for the Day and show we care about Our State. Will try to do lunch together and there is a Motorcycle Safety Committee Meeting at 1PM which would be good to show up in attendance. Motorcycle Awareness Day is April 29th.
  - o **Downed Biker Report**- Doc was there stated everything they had planned was on track; held a night run.
  - o **Membership Coordinator**- Cheryl reported 3 new members in March-total Chapter membership 98 as of to-night. Bob Dresser is working with Cheryl on trying to get past members back who may have forgotten their memberships or left for reasons not known. Of those called to date some were looking for more riding or had different outlooks on Chapter. Will be attempting to get another report from State Abate on past members to contact.
  - o **State Board Report**- J.P. noted that the MRF is working at the National Level **on Anti Profiling Bills** which hadn't passed and want to restart now that New Legislature Representatives are in Office.

- Note the new Safety Council created of 12 people only 1 rides a motorcycle.
- The State Abate has 708 members and there are new shirts available on the State Web Site.
- A State ABATE Board meeting is scheduled on April 8, 2017 at which time positions are open for Legislative Coordinator; State Safety Officer; and MRF OK Representative. If interested must be there at 9AM breakfast or be there and notify by 12 PM Noon as to interest and need to state what you feel the position needs and how you can make the Organization function better; and improve ideas surrounding positions.
- **Share the Road Update**- President Radar reported a disappointment with OSHO as the projectors and computers not approved in Grant money-but again Hat's Off to Art for obtaining the 1<sup>st</sup> Motorcycle for the Course.
- **Doc noted** Sperry Police expressed interest in Share the Road.
- **Social Media update** – Per Cheryl we need some more likes and shares on Face Book and hoping to have more items listed after the upcoming week meeting.

#### Old Business

- Results of February Survey Reported – officers missed mark in certain areas. The officers will correct.
- **Bring new ideas forward** and also try to **support other Chapters** and have more representation at State Board meetings. Members looking for more speakers and attend some Seminars and Riding Courses; also, Scenic rides
- **Educational rides** including visiting other Chapters.
- **Concerns on younger members being brought in through some other Publicity and Functions outside of the Toy Run.** Greg T brought to our attention a ride to Alabaster Park in Freedom OK an ASAP ride due to it being closed;
- **Suggested ride** from Salina to Spavinaw area OK would be good to ride.
- **Adopt- a -Highway** -Need to come up with a name for Sign and April is Spring Cleanup. Minimum of 2 people and minimum age is 11 plus a waiver form needed for those from under 18 to 11.

#### New Business

- Per Bob Dresser in James Clarks absence new activities to be coming up after April 11, 2017 -different rides, etc. Will be put on Facebook and blasted via email by Cheryl. A request of Doc was made to make a can for Ideas or suggestions
- Announcements – Legislative Day April 11,2017 also OSHO meeting
  - Safety Day coming up in May / also a Share the Road Presentation at OKC State University.
  - Bikers on the Belt Way coming up in May 22 & 23rd
  - Illinois River Run info on State ABATE site –requires sign up
  - Reminder for show of appreciation to Mazzio's for Job Well Done
  - Drawing won by Jerry
- Per Rita before adjourning members may want to know about SPUR Award which is given for achievements attained over period of time doing measures of carrying out ABATE ion statement; Also it is the Mission of ABATE once a quarter to review the requirements to earn this Spur as well as the Offer of a Free Membership for being active and mentoring someone of the ages 18 to 30 in the Young Member Program.
- Motion to adjourn Rita and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Diane.

Submitted by Nina Dresser, Secretary

ABATE of Tulsa, Inc Meeting Minutes  
April 27, 2017  
President Jim Koelle (Radar) Presiding

- Call To Order:** 7:00 PM by Sgt. At Arms Rob Jones
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Rob Jones
- Invocation:** CMA Jerry Roberson
- Mission Statement:** President Radar
- Introduction of Guests:** Linda Barnes with Air Med Care
- Treasurer's report:** Cheryl Clark gave the Treasurer's Report. The beginning balance was \$10,400.27 Income in April was \$75.00 and disbursements were \$586.99, leaving a current balance of \$9,888.38. A motion to accept the report was made by Art Ryan and seconded by Rose (Paula Matteuzzi). Accepted unanimously.
- Secretary's Report:** A copy of the Minutes of the March meeting was emailed to membership earlier and all in attendance said they had read said minutes. No changes were made. A motion to accept was made by Art Ryan and seconded by Doc (Richard Moran).
- State and Committee Reports:**
- Legislative -** John Pierce reported that the "hands-free" bill is dead. It will likely take 2 to 3 years to get it going again. At this time there is no texting bill.
- Governor Fallen has signed the tag bill. We have 180 days to order and pay for 100 tags at \$37 each. If not, the money goes back to the state.
- Legislative Day went well. The commission thanked us for the money ABATE of Oklahoma has raised.
- MRF Report:** Bikers in the Beltway will be May 13<sup>th</sup>. Radar and Rose will represent ABATE of Oklahoma
- Safety Report:** Rob Jones reminded everyone that on the highway a bike with a helmet behind it means biker in distress. This alerts motorists that the biker needs help.
- Downed Bikers:** No report, but Rob Jones reminded everyone that their meeting is the first Monday of every month. Next meeting will be Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at the Trade Winds Central on I-44 and Harvard.
- Share the Road:** Radar gave an update on Share the Road (StR) equipment. We have one projector and one computer. We are still waiting on funds from the state and Abate Charitable Services (ACS) is broke. Radar asked if Tulsa ABATE would be willing to loan or gift \$500 to ACS. The way our grant money works is that we buy the equipment, give receipts to the state, then wait for



them to issue the reimbursement. That sometimes takes as long as 90 days. The StR program is being delayed because of that. If we can donate \$500, or give a loan of \$3000 to \$4000 to ACS, we would get that money back when the state reimburses ACS for expenses.

James Clark asked if other chapters could help with the loan amount to ACS. Discussion took place regarding a request to other chapters to also help with StR expenses. Rose made a motion to make a loan in the amount of \$1000. John Pierce suggested we increase that amount to \$2000. There was further discussion about how much to loan and the date that we will need it paid back. Considering that Toy Run expenses will begin in late October or early November, it was determined that we should put a “pay back” date on the loan of October 15, 2017.

Rose made a motion to make a loan to Abate Charitable Services in the amount of \$2000 to be paid back to ABATE of Tulsa by October 15, 2017. The motion was seconded by Art Ryan. With one no vote and one member abstaining, the motion passed. Radar asked Treasurer Cheryl Clark to write the check to Abate Charitable Services and he would take it to them at the next state board meeting.

John Pierce asked if we wanted to create a line item in the budget of \$500 for this specific purpose. Radar said no because we should not need it. However, Lyndon Giles made a motion to put a line item of \$500 in the 2018 budget for Share the Road. Motion was seconded by Art. With there being two no votes, the motion passed.

John made the statement that Share the Road is the only new program for ABATE of Oklahoma in the last five years.

### **Membership:**

Radar had previously asked Cheryl to create a graph tracking membership over the past year. We are staying static – growing a very small amount. With the number of events we are adding to our schedule, we should be able to add new members.

### **Old Business:**

Radar presented the awards that were given to ABATE of Tulsa at the S.M.I.L.E.

1. SMILE donation given by Tulsa Abate
2. 2016 Legislative Day – most members attending
3. Gunner Award given to Radar
4. SMILE award for attendance

Radar gave a Shout Out to Rob Jones for setting up an ABATE membership tent at the Route 66 HD open house. We added one new member at that event but passed out several applications.

### **Events:**

James Clark reported that we are planning to have a chapter ride every month. The plan is to have a ride, or join another event/ride, the Saturday after our monthly meeting. Here’s the schedule for the next few months:

- April 29<sup>th</sup> – ride to OKC for Motorcycle Safety Awareness Day
- May 27<sup>th</sup> – participate in the Route 66 Patriot Fest ride – “66 on 66”

- June – the Saturday after our June meeting will be 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. Membership decided not to have a ride that holiday weekend, but join the Illinois River Run July 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>.
- July – Illinois River Run as stated above
- August – the Saturday after our August meeting will be Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bob Dresser is working on a ride for that weekend and information will be provided at a later meeting.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> – Abate of Tulsa Toy Run.

**Drawing:**

Danny Talbot was the winner of the QT gas card.

**Guest Speaker:**

Linda Barnes with Air Med Care gave a presentation on membership in their organization and what benefits you'll receive as a member. ABATE of Oklahoma members receive a discount: 1 yr. \$55, 3 yr. \$165 and 5 yr. \$275. Membership covers everything – the flight and any medications given during the flight. She has applications for anyone wanting to sign up or you can contact her by phone or email.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Rose motioned for the meeting to be adjourned, seconded by Doc. Meeting was adjourned by Sgt at Arms, Rob Jones at 8:15pm

Respectfully submitted by Cheryl Clark (aka Church Lady) in absence of Secretary Nina Dresser

ABATE of Tulsa, Inc Meeting Minutes  
Mary 25, 2017  
Vice President James Chambers Clark Presiding

- Call To Order:** 7:00 PM by Sgt. At Arms Rob Jones
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Rob Jones
- Invocation:** Randy Hutchinson (Road Runner)
- Mission Statement:** James Clark
- Introduction of Guests:** Jerry Jones and Clay Tucker, guests who plan to join ABATE tonight. Chris Chambers with the BA Police Dept. will be our guest speaker tonight.
- Shout-Outs:** James thanked Bob Dresser for setting up a membership booth at a recent Swap Meet and to Doc for helping. That is where Jerry Jones and Clay Tucker met some of our members and decided to come to tonight's meeting.
- James said he was filling in for Radar (Jim Koelle) tonight, who is on his way back from Washington D.C. He and Rose went to Bikes in the Beltway and will have a report on that at the June meeting.
- Treasurer's report:** Cheryl Clark gave the Treasurer's Report. The beginning balance was \$9,888.38. Income in May was \$75.00 and disbursements were \$2,627.02 leaving a current balance of \$7,627.02. A brief discussion took place about the \$2,000 loan to Abate Charitable Services and John Pierce explained that monies are coming back from the OHSO sooner than in the past. He expects that our loan will be paid back right away, as early as a week or two. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Joe Battles and seconded by Richard Moran (Doc). Accepted unanimously.
- Secretary's Report:** A copy of the Minutes of the March meeting was emailed to membership earlier and all in attendance said they had read said minutes. No changes were made. A motion to accept was made by John Pierce and seconded by Doc (Richard Moran).
- State and Committee Reports:**
- Legislative -** John Pierce reported that at this time Abate of Oklahoma has 41 renewal memberships, 45 expired, and 15 new members for a total of 709 members statewide.
- Illinois River Run – July 7, 8 & 9. This is a state event and everyone is welcome to attend. The cost is \$95 per person for the entire weekend.
- Rob Jones was elected State Safety Coordinator and Garry Canady is now the MRF rep.
- John received an email from our attorney reporting that the Governor has signed the tag bill. There is a statewide contest for design of the tag.

As of May 31, John Pierce will no longer be our legislative rep. He has served in this capacity for eight years. He shared that since 2008 ABATE of Oklahoma has fixed every motorcycle bill in the state. James asked John to give an update on Gunner's Law for those who don't know about it. In 2010 Gunner's Law was passed, assessing a \$3 fee on every tag in Oklahoma. It has produced \$1.5 million dedicated to motorcycle safety and awareness.

**MRF Report:** The MRF has a federal bill outlawing law enforcement from profiling. Anyone can join the MRF and Art Ryan has membership applications.

**Downed Bikers:** No report.

**Share the Road:** John Pierce and Lotus Dunn held a class at the Sperry High School Driver Education class on Tuesday. Rob Jones brought the wrecked motorcycle to the presentation, which has a huge impact on those attending the class. Last week Rob and Art were in Berryhill. John said that we are increasing our classes every month. Anyone who knows about a school or company who could benefit from the class, please give that information to one of the instructors. At this time we have 15 certified instructors.

**Membership:** Cheryl Clark reported that we add two new members last month and one renewal.

**Social Media:** Cheryl is posting all news and ride information that she knows about on our Facebook Page. We still do not have a website. John Pierce expressed concern that we have not had a website for quite awhile and it's important that we get it operational again as soon as possible. In order to do this we need to hire a profession to build the site who can then turn it over to us for day-to-day updates. After discussion about the costs, it was determined that \$1,500 would cover the expense. John made a motion to approve up to \$1,500 for the construction of the Abate of Tulsa website. Wayne Wharton seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Events:** The Route 66 Patriot Fest and Parade, taking place this coming Saturday, will be our event this month. The Saturday after our June meeting falls on 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend, so we will not have a Saturday ride. However, everyone is invited to attend the Illinois River Run July 7-9. Bob Dresser is working on a ride for August.

**New Business:** Rob Jones presented information on the Biker Boyz weekend and asked if we could set up a hospitality tent. Cheryl will check it out to determine the cost of a booth.

Rob reported that a state poker run for \$1,000 will take place later this year. Tulsa will be one of the cities and we've been asked to select three locations. These were suggested: (1) Golden Driller, (2) the West Route 66 Gateway by the 11<sup>th</sup> Street bridge, and (3) the Blue Whale in Catoosa.

**Guest Speaker:** Chris Chambers with the Broken Arrow Police Department gave a motorcycle safety presentation. He shared the following information:

- His preference is to always wear a helmet. In Oklahoma, it's optional – our choice whether to or not. Helmets reduce the chance of head injuries by 69%. If your helmet has been dropped, replace it!
- You cannot take too much training. Avail yourself of training whenever you can.
- Motorcycle maintenance is very important:
  - Check tire pressure regularly
  - Change both tires at the same time
  - Check for leaks
- There are several free classes in the area. Go to [www.brokenarrowok.gov](http://www.brokenarrowok.gov) to find a list of classes.
- Here are some stats from the Federal Highway Commission:
  - In 2016 there were 8.6 million motorcycles registered in the United States
  - 4,976 deaths from MC crashes in 2015
    - 46% were not wearing helmets
    - 54% were over the age of 40 (reason is believed to be decline in vision and reaction time)
    - 27% had a blood alcohol level of .08 or higher

Ron Elliott, a friend of Chris Chambers, shared his story about crashing on the Turner Turnpike in April of this year. His helmet wasn't strapped on tightly and blew off. His reaction was to reach for it, causing him to lose control of his bike, going across two lanes of traffic, and hitting a barrier. His message is that if something comes off your bike, don't reach for it. If you wear a helmet, buckle the strap very tightly.

James Clark thanked both guest speakers and opened up a time for questions. Everyone in attendance expressed their thanks for the presentations.

**Drawing:**

Diane Finley was the winner of the QT gas card.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Doc motioned for the meeting to be adjourned, seconded by John Pierce. Meeting was adjourned by Sgt at Arms, Rob Jones at 8:22pm

Respectfully submitted by Cheryl Clark (Church Lady) in absence of Secretary Nina Dresser



ABATE of Tulsa, Inc Regular Monthly Meeting  
June 29, 2017  
President Jim (Radar) Koelle Presiding

- Call to order:** 7:00 PM by Sgt at Arms Rob Jones
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Rob Jones
- Invocation:** CMA Jerry Roberson
- Mission Statement:** Radar
- Introduction of Visitors:** Dan Snow, Veterans and Outreach for Representative Bridenstine
- Guest Speaker:** Dan Snow has been with Representative Jim Bridenstine for about 18 months. He is also the ROTC leader for Union High School and is retired Air Force. Representative Bridenstine told Dan the most important thing he needs to do is listen. They represent the people and work for us and they can't do that unless they listen to our needs. They are currently working about 225 open cases for veterans with VA problems. Jim Bridenstine will not be running for another term, so we need to start looking at a replacement. Don was asked if he was an ABATE of Oklahoma and when he said no, was asked why not. His dad also rides now.
- John Pierce moved that both Dan and his dad be given their first-year membership, with ABATE of Tulsa, Inc paying for it. Seconded by Dc and passed unanimously.
- Treasurer's Report:** Given by Radar in absence of Treasurer Cheryl (Church Lady) Clark. The balance as of May 28, 2017 was \$7,336.36. We had 2 new members, 1 renewal, sold back patches and had \$7.59 in expenses, leaving us a current balance of \$6,723.77.
- Diane Finley moved the report be accepted. Seconded by Doc and unanimously accepted.
- Secretary's Report:** Since the May 25, 2017 minutes had been sent out by email, Lyndon (Talon) Giles move the minutes as sent out be accepted. John Pierce seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- State and Committee Reports:**
- Legislative:** JP reminded us that he is no longer the Legislative Chairman. He said 4 people indicated an interest in replacing them but that none did what they needed to so for now Lobby Joe will handling that job.
- ABATE of Ok State:**
1. He talked about the State Park \$1000 Poker Run which is a state fundraiser.
  2. July 7-9 is the Illinois River Run. He encouraged those who can to go because it is a lot of fun and is a state fundraiser.
  3. He encouraged all to attend the Freedom Fighter Rally in Fargo, OK October 6-8.  
ABATE of OK put Tulsa in charge of the bike show, but without asking us, so John asked if we wanted to do that and we said, unanimously, that we do not want to do it. John will ask the State Board to give us something we would rather do.
  4. He said the state membership is shrinking. We are not getting many new people. Much discussion followed.
  5. ABATE of OK is financially healthy
- Downed Bikers:** DBA next meeting is Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 PM at Trade Winds.  
There is benefit poker run scheduled for 7/15<sup>th</sup>  
The Lake party is 7/22 at Rocky Point at Ft Gibson Lake
- Share the Road:** Radar said it is going extremely well and recognized Rob and Art for all their work in Share the Road. He said we need more presenters and more places to present. All major service

clubs in OK had had presentations

**Safety Report:**

Rob Jones reminded us of the danger of big truck tires and said if we find ourselves riding close to them, we need to get around them as quickly as possible. We also need to keep our eyes open for them laying in the road.

**Old Business:**

Doc reported on our booth at Biker Boyz, saying there wasn't a lot interest.

Radar reported on Adopt a Highway saying we are still waiting for them to assign us an area.

**New Business:**

There was none.

**Drawing:**

Jack King was the winner of the QT Gas Card

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business, Doc moved that we adjourn. It was seconded by our newest member, Dan Snow, and the meeting was adjourned by Sgt at Arms Rob.

Respectfully submitted by Rita (CMA Fajita) Talbott in the absence of Secretary Nina Dresser.

## TULSA ABATE MEETING AGENDA

07/27/17

- **Call to Order**
  - 1<sup>st</sup>. Jim Koelle
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
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- **Prayer –**
- **The Mission of Abate of Oklahoma** is to promote and defend motorcyclist freedom, safety, and awareness through education and legislation to make Oklahoma the best place to ride.
- Abate of Oklahoma is the only organization in Oklahoma that has ever gotten motorcycle legislation signed into law.
- **Introduction of guests** – Bob Hendricks, Tom Lunsford
- **Treasurer's Report-** Cheryl <sup>Clark</sup> Chambers reported for June 2017 starting Balance \$6723.77  
**Membership Renewals-\$25.00 / Disbursements- \$1605.13 Leaving an ending account Balance as of \$5143.64** 1<sup>st</sup> Motion to Accept Richard Moran; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Art Ryan
- **Secretary Report – Previous Months Minutes done by Rita Talbots.**
  - Motion to accept 1<sup>st</sup> by Richard Moran, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Hendricks
- **State & Committee Reports**
  - **Legislative Report-** given by John Pierce who stressed we need to support candidates who will sponsor us in upcoming elections since we haven't gotten support from those in now.
  - **Share the Road-Jim Koelle** reported last 12 months he put on over 14,000 miles and still has another class to do in September to do. Art & Rob have carried the majority of the training classes. A discussion was held on statics' and we need to do a much better job trying to move safety first in all categories of transportation.
  - **Down Bikers Report – No Report Given**
  - **State Board Report – No meeting held last month**
  - **Safety Presentation – Rob Reported** to check tire pressures and tread depth along with wheel bearings, per the findings surroundings what is called death wobble in motorcycle's. Jim Koelle stressed easy to miss looking at tires, due to some parking situations. Get the bike outside where you get a clean view of the bike.
- **Old Business**
  - **Adopt a Highway Progress report – Still no Report**
  - **Toy Run**
    - \$14,000 Needed for Toy Run
- **New Business**
  - **Jim is putting together an instruction manual and video to show prior to Show prior to Share-the-Road.**
  - **Working on a like the new website**
  - **Rosie reported Bike Sales down** which reflects on getting new members
  - **Jim Koelle will be retiring at the end of his term in November, and is looking for a dedicated member to fill his big shoes. He will still be around working on Share-The-Road, but avail if he is needed.**

- **New Business Continued: Congratulations to Bob Dresser for putting new speakers together. Compliments of a good <sup>gesture</sup> ~~gesture~~ have been well received by this board, and much has been learned by these speakers.**
- **Home & Garden Show – James Clark is working hard to pull this all together again for this week-ends show.**
- **RIDES: Bob & James Clark are both working hard on a ride north on Rt66 with great stops built into the ride.**
  - **Suggestion by Rob to visit other state ABATE Clubs Events**
  - **Bob Dresser suggested we create a small committee of experienced riders to help generate a plan to get more members active in our rides than the (7) we have recently been turning out for our riding events.**
- **Announcements – Great Service again by Mazzios' & remember to tip well; some of these employees make their living here.**
- **Drawing – Quick Trip Gas Card – Won by 763 Street Bob**
- **Motion to Adjourn**
  - **1<sup>st</sup> Motion by Lyndon**
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Dresser**

## Tulsa ABATE Meeting Minutes

Date: August 31, 2017

Call to Order by Jim Koelle

Pledge of Allegiance- Sgt. At Arms -Rob Jones

The mission of ABATE of Oklahoma is to promote and defend motorcyclist freedom, safety, and Awareness through education and legislation to make Oklahoma the best place to ride.

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Introduction of Guests-We had a new member, Rich Novak; who joined in July and was able to attend his first meeting along with Priesthood Guardian, Jordan Mitchell.

Guest Speaker-Our Guest Speaker for the night was Nathan Dahm, Oklahoma's most Conservative Republican Senator, who again is running for Congress (Senator Jim Bridenstine is leaving for a position at NASA)

He spoke about Legislation this year at the state level concerning approval of a Carry law for having a gun on a bike as long as it is kept in locked compartment. There was also a Police Pro-filing Bill which stalled in the Senate (Senator who carried it is no longer in office) and another Bill concerning prohibiting Police Quotas (written or unwritten policies) also stalled. Very informative and stayed after meeting for discussions.

Treasurers Report-Cheryl Clark reported a starting Balance of \$5,143.64, Income of \$5,268.64 Disbursements of \$296.11 with an ending Balance of \$4,972.53 motion to accept by Rich Moran; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob Dresser

Secretary's Report-taken by Nina Dresser -minutes of August 31, 2017 meeting- sent out (With corrections penciled in by Cheryl Clark-thank you from Nina D) motion to accept By John Pierce 2<sup>nd</sup> Carol King

### State and Committee Reports

Legislative Report-by John Pierce (still reporting) there was mention of Profiling but Discussion not carried through and Jim Koelle stated we still have a good contact but need to keep working on contacts.

Share the Road-Mr. Jim Koelle reported that several contacts for the Program have been made as well as Presentations which have gotten Great Reviews. Still looking to Get into the Schools but classes have been cut to 4- day weeks and if anyone can make contact with School Board Members let Mr. Jim know.

Downed Bikers-no report

State Board Report-Per Mr. Rob Jones there were 6 of 7 groups there/605 state members



Also, it was stated that the State Abate got the 1<sup>st</sup> Trailer and wrap for it approved and a new Tent with graphic's that is 10X10

Also, Rob wanted to remind about the Air-Med Care for \$55.00 a year covers everyone in household; may want to check your insurance.

#### Old Business

Adopt a Highway Sign- per John P. still no response

Toy Run- Per James Clark, Bob Dresser donors coming on board; need new ideas for Sponsors. Per Chris Witt at Police Dpt. Route will be the same

#### New Business

New events held per emails and surveys -5 events done but could use new ideas  
Bob D. suggested an idea box to help get interests from those at meetings

This weekend Sister Chapter Osage Hills has a bike run Fund Raiser called Bug Run

Fund raiser with motorcycles and the Shriners for a ride to Murrah Bldg. memorial in OKC  
Sat. Oct 28,2017

Sept. 23, 2017 Bikes Blues BBQ ride to Fayetteville- day ride meet at QT 412 & 412 9AM

Suggestions made for Dinner ride or a possible cookout November weather permitting

Also, a Specials Needs Ride is coming up in McAllister OK per the Priesthood, should be Info on Facebook.

DBA had a member pass from a Motorcycle accident

Per Priesthood we should also pray for chapters in Texas from Storm.

October meeting coming up Positions open and then a vote in November

Get Well Wishes for Frenchie (Mr. Charlie Marnne) from his motorcycle accident & on a hopeful speedy recovery.

Announcements: let's not forget the great service here at Mazzio's  
Also Congrats to Rob & Pam now engaged -best wishes

Drawing #387 Miss Carol K

Adjournment Bob D. 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam

***Submitted by Nina Dresser, Tulsa ABATE Secretary***

## TULSA ABATE Meeting Minutes - September 28, 2017

Call to Order – Jim Koelle Pledge of Allegiance Prayer-given by

The Mission of ABATE of Oklahoma is to promote and defend motorcyclist freedom, safety, and awareness through education and legislation to make Oklahoma the best place to ride. ABATE of Oklahoma is the ONLY organization in Oklahoma that has ever gotten motorcycle legislation passed to law.

Introduction of guests- several members back- Shepherd & Kelly given a shout out by Jim Koelle and one to Jack King back looking well.

No guest speaker this month.

Treasurer's Report: given for Cheryl by James Clark Starting balance \$4,972.53, Income of \$2,050.00 with Disbursements of \$180.59 & ending Balance of \$6,841.94. Motion to accept Bob Dresser Second by Jack King

Secretary's Report: minutes submitted by Nina Dresser & sent out by Cheryl Clark; motion to accept by Rich Moran and second by Rita

### State and Committee Reports

**Legislative Report:** John Pierce at Meeting of the Mind-reported that they are in session and an attempt is being made to get Plates re-introduced.

**Share the Road:** This is last report by Radar (Jim Koelle) next to be given by Art Ryan who has been second In Command will be taking over. Jim Koelle will be Sales and Marketing. The New ABATE Trailer and Banners are here. Radar reported at OSHO meeting of classes held Central Tech -CDL Drivers and some Bus Drivers attended also waiting on responses from Edmund Police and some Trucking Companies.

**Downed Bikers:** Ziggy -Clinton Zickefoose was here and reported October 2, 2017 voting of new board members. Thank you co-existence on raising money and for all ABATE does for the Community. October 7, 2017 DBA benefit for a 2 Day Bike Run. Also, Ziggy would like to do a Safety Pitch; went down on bike but had a helmet -hit ground twice and only had a huge gash.

**State Board Report:** Rita there along with Rob. Rob reported Safety Air Flight spoke there, also. They did nominations of Sgt. Of Arms and are also looking for a person from each group to do MRF reports and attend meetings. After November a MRF Representative will be able to tell us what is happening in US and go to those functions and report back. MRF is more involved in Texas and a few other states where Profiling is a problem and there is a new Federal Helmet Law being discussed. Art noted that there is a \$4000 insurance benefit with belonging to MRF.

**Safety Report:** Rob noted the 3 R's- #1. Be Responsible #2. Ride Responsible and plan ahead. #3. Take Responsibility of Yourself and brothers. Also 2 incidents of Road Rage involving Motorcycles.

### Old Business

Adopt a Highway - Still no response

Toy Run Update - Per James Clark everything is set; a few more City finishes; toy run meeting next week. Ziggy to check with DBA for help. Set for December 10, 2017.

ABATE mission statement does not make us a social organization and we are a Rights & Safety Group. We do not have personal agendas.

## **New Business**

Nominations for Officers – Per Tulsa ABATE By-Laws

President oversees chapter and connects with other groups

Vice-President assumes President post if issue and monitors assets

Sgt. at Arms brings meeting to order and Pledge American Flag

Nominee's must be here at meeting. Rader with help new President and Officers as needed.

Nominations for President: Doc (Rich Moran) nominated for President -Bob Dresser

Rita nominated for President Rob Jones

Per Radar: Presidents are expected to attend every State Board Meeting

Nominations for Vice President – James Clark nominates Bob Dresser if not voted President

Doc Rich Moran) nominates Rob Jones is not making President

Nomination for Sgt. At Arms -James Clark nominated Art Ryan

Doc (Rich Moran) nominated Jack King

This position is to take care of security and keeping meeting organized we are not one-percenter group.

Nominations are Closed- Vote at November meeting.

## **Announcements**

Banner Group Photo after meeting per Radar

Rick Cassidy announced the 18th annual Toy Run /Raymond Duran Memorial / Claremore Elks Lodge #1230. Hot Rods Welcome/ November 5, 2017 Line-up 10AM Reasor's- Highway 66 Catoosa

Flowers sent to Chuck Sealy who is a Lakes Area Member -lost daughter in the Car accident of 5 teenagers

Tip Money for the great Service here.

Woodward Freedom Fighter Rally Oct. 6,7,8 Camping available Tulsa sponsoring -also awards for bike show

Rally for OKLAHOMA Fund Raiser for the BARRACKS in Muskogee this weekend Saturday-Poker Run -2PM Rally until 11PM Turning old nursing home into a VA Training Home for help. Also try and see if a Chapter and be restarted there

Reminder from Art about the Young Mentor Program 30 years and under.

James Clark gave out in drawing Fair Tickets 4 pairs, and Eagle radio T-Shirt

Motion to Adjourn Jack King / 2nd Rob Jones

ABATE Tulsa Minutes Meeting of October 26, 2017

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance: Rob Jones

Invocation: was done by Road Runner/Randi Hutchinson

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Announcement: Jim Koelle unable to step down due to By-Law requirements/By-Law changes to be discussed

Introduction of New Members and Guests-BACA member- Hippie

Treasurer's Report- James Clark gave for Cheryl – Account Balance starting \$6841.94; income \$455.00; Disbursements \$460.04; Ending Balance \$6836.90 motion to accept Bob D. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doc (R. Moran)

Secretary's Report- emailed to all members motion to accept Jack 2<sup>nd</sup> Doc (R. Moran)

State and Committee Reports

Legislative Report-John Pierce stated the Legislative part of Oklahoma is performing below level of Congress and being difficult to work with right now. The out dated handlebar bill is left and the Toll Booth fees are not a priority with the newly elected officials since motorcycle numbers are nominal. In Texas they have no fees to motorcycles.

Michael Thompson with the Dept. of Public Safety was the man behind getting things done. He is now going to National Air Guard and a new person will be appointed through the secretary. John also stated Jim Koelle has done great work with Share the Road along with Art and his Team; Share the Road trailer to be at Toy Run.

Share the Road- Art Ryan reported busy with presentations and already have 20 set til July. Looking for trainer's and have a class coming up at Foreman's in Stillwater who allow use of their building for free. Several Trucking companies have completed.

DBA- no report

State Board Report-State has approx. \$8269.07 and 583 members statewide. Rob did 3 R's report there. River Run July 13-15, 2017 noted. John P. would like to go to next meeting as our representative to vote for nominations of Secretary and Sgt. At Arms.

Safety Presentation-Rob noted good idea to check tire pressure, pot holes and wet leaves. Also, Reminder deer are running stay alert.

CoC Discussion-Jim Koelle received a call and will meet with them at next meeting to talk which is after Board Meeting.

Nominations/Elections -John P & Cheryl have worked hard on the By-laws for elections which did not address an open position during the year for a vacancy.

Revisions to the Bylaws: ***The officers elected shall serve a two- year term and must be an active member of the chapter to be nominated. Nominations shall be held at the September and October meetings in the even numbered years for President, Treasurer and Sergeant at Arms. Nominations shall be held at the September and October meetings in the odd numbered years for Vice-President, Secretary and Chapter Rep. The elections shall take place at the November meeting of said years with the new Officers taking their appointed positions at the January meeting.***

John Pierce thanked Cheryl for doing all the research on this matter. Motion to vote on revisions at November meeting – John Pierce, 2<sup>nd</sup> Art.

Vice-President, Sgt. At Arms and Secretary this year as previously noted in September and October with the vote here at the November meeting. Nominations for Vice President are Rob Jones and Bob Dresser. Nomination for Sgt. At Arms is Art Ryan. Nomination for Nina Dresser to continue as Secretary, beginning a new 2-yr. term on January 1, 2018. Our November meeting will be November 30, 2017 the last Thursday of the month, with elections taking place then.

Old Business:

Web site active per all the work done by Cheryl Clark – <http://abateoftulsa.com>

Toy Run Update- James Clark received a call from the Salvation Army wanting to team up again. We split from them years ago due to their practices and have been with the Marines. We will need a chapter vote to change. Motion to Stay with Marines by Bob D. 2<sup>nd</sup> by all members in attendance.

New Business Repeat of By-Law Revisions-John P & Cheryl – see above  
Voter Registration- Jim Koelle [www.elections.ok.gov](http://www.elections.ok.gov) if not registered

Announcements- Tips for good service by Rob

Abate events after the Toy Run will be done until next year - Suggestions for a Ride to Country Cottage in Locust Grove and a Saturday ride to Vinita with stop at Totem Pole (Bob D to put together later)

Event Request Sheet Put together by Cheryl for any events being held showing all things necessary to hold and any payments or fund raising involved.

Doc (Rich Moran) last night here -hopes to return for Toy Run

Jim Koelle asked for a motion to adjourn - Cheryl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob D

Respectfully submitted,  
Nina Dresser, Secretary



## TULSA ABATE Meeting Minutes-November 30 ,2017

Call to Order at 7:00 p.m. – Sergeant at Arms Rob Jones.

Pledge of Allegiance lead by Sergeant at Arms Rob Jones

Prayer-Given by Miss Cheryl

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Guests: Lew Prickett back- was a new member as of February and unfortunately suffered a stroke and first time back for a meeting.

Speakers/ none this month

Treasurer Report – Given by Cheryl Clark:

Starting balance \$6836.90/Income from Toy Run Sponsorships \$8450.00  
Disbursements \$1428.50 for an ending balance for November 2017 \$13,858.40.  
Motion to accept John P. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Bob D.

Secretary's Report – Minutes were submitted and read by Nina Dresser at meeting because they were emailed too late for everyone to read.

Jim Koelle gave a shout out from Rita in Hawaii.

Jim Would like to know who visited the TULSA ABATE website?

Jim Would like to know if anyone is not registered to VOTE -sign up

### State and Committee Reports

Legislative Report-John P. reported one issue found requires foot pegs is rather vague & doesn't note require foot pegs/someone in legislature brought up a child riding on a gas tank which could be something to take up if interested to open. Michael Thompson who was in charge of Public Safety which oversees Motorcycles -do not like bills to oppose. Mr. Thompson has since been promoted to Air Guard. We will need a friend in this position and possibly Rusty Rhodes who John knows from years past and helps give us info may be back; yet not confirmed.

OSHO reports to Public Safety who is in charge of Gunner's Law Funds. Miss Lotus from the ABATE Board is submitting expenses to OSHO 60 Pages have been turned in to try and get more Grant Funds (Rusty Rhodes would be a help) several of the Abate Chapters have provided loans to Share the Road. Another Grant has been turned in and will keep applying. Soon to have 5 facilities for Safety Training.

Downed Bikers- Art has an announcement that on Nov. 18 a new chapter will be started in Vinita and 38 have transferred there and 1<sup>st</sup> benefit to be held Dec.2 at the VFW in Vinita. Meetings 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each Month.

Share the Road- Art stated there are active trainers but can use more /text Art at 816-807-2547. Have tried to make some progress to recoup funds for trainers. Jim and Art and others have put on many miles and time of their own to get this far and it is starting to catch on hoping to get more Grant

money as Rose brought up that the Grant for 2019 is already in works and money gotten is always behold.

State Board Report-John P reported it's the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month in Stillwater. They also have noted membership has dropped from the 1300 and had a balance left of \$6000.

Safety Presentation -Rob reported that Ziggy went down on his bike but had protective gear on and was scratched but safe. Strongly suggest a full helmet for long trips and armor in jacket elbows, shoulders-plus leather pants & boots

#### Old Business

Adopt-A-Highway-per Radar still no progress report

Toy Run Update-James Clark -The weather forecast appears to be good; all promos have been arranged and are running; shirt sale December 6 from 5-7pm to be at Route 66 HD Dealership; shirt sale December 9 from 10am to 2pm at Myers HD. Due to some construction at the Fairgrounds there will be a usage of 17<sup>th</sup> ST. to leave. Share the Road Trailer will be there, as well as information and video with help of generator provided by Rob & Pam. All on Track for another Great Toy Run.

#### New Business

Final Nominations and vote

VP- Bob Dresser & Rob Jones /closed

Secretary- Nina Dresser /closed

Sgt. At Arms- Art Ryan (nomination withdrawn) -Jack King & Frenchy Marnne /Closed

Officers for 2018 from vote- VP -Rob Jones, Secretary -Nina D., Sgt. At Arms -Jack King

James C. noted the Home & Garden Show coming up the end of January-6X6 Booth.  
Will be needing volunteers for meet and greet.

Announcements: Remember the Great Service here -Tips appreciated

Received an Email from the Vaughn's thanking for letting them visit and feel welcome.

State Board Meeting in Stillwater at Foreman's HD

No December Meeting

Drawing for QT gas Card – Rick Cassidy the lucky receiver

Adjournment- 1<sup>st</sup> Carol King 2<sup>nd</sup> Chris Pierce

Changing of the Guard-gavel given to Jack King

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Nina Dresser, Secretary