

ABATE REGION 19 MEETING

October 2, 2018

NEW MEETING TIME!! 7 PM Still CJ's Upper Deck

We were downstairs as they are repainting the upstairs

LEGISLATIVE REPORT – Vince Fabis told us that not much is going on in the legislative arena, so he gave us a really good analysis of the latest statistics from the TCRS (Traffic Crash Reporting System) and MTCF (Michigan Traffic Crash Facts).

He did a great job comparing accidents and fatalities before and after the helmet amendment, both raw numbers as well as a percentage of motorcycle registrations. Bottom line is that the fatality rate has not changed. He also compared injury severity and fatalities both as a function of helmet worn vs. helmet not worn, and more people were killed while wearing a helmet.

SECRETARY'S REPORT was approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT was approved as presented, thanks Pete.

AMA/MRF – We had a good discussion on the pros and cons of mandated ABS and stability control. Chip gave a couple of good instances on where ABS saved his bacon, so we all concluded we like the technology; mixed bag on whether or not it should be mandated.

Vince Consiglio was inducted into the MRF Freedom Fighter Hall of Fame, way to go Vince!!

STATE SEMINAR: January 18,19,20, 2019. The members voted not to get a Region Room this year; we can congregate at a table. Reason was that getting the room would take a sizable portion of our budget.

MEMBER OF THE YEAR: The unanimous vote was for Pete Kazelas for all the hard work he has done to promote the chapter, awareness, and for his work on the board. Congratulations Pete!!

REGIONAL ELECTIONS: Region 19 nominations were held, and since no office was opposed, elections in November need not take place. Here is your board:

RC: Vince Piacenti

Co-RC: Pete Kazelas

Treasurer: Pete Kazelas

Secretary: Vince Piacenti

Legislative: Vince Fabis

Website: Vince Fabis

Facebook: Ryan Pettey

UPCOMING MEETINGS: We will not hold our December meeting on the first Tuesday, but instead will combine it with our long-running annual Christmas Party on Friday, Dec. 14 at 6:30 PM at CJ's Upper Deck.

January's meeting is moved to Tuesday Jan 8

On a sad note: Johnny Mac's significant other Chris passed away two weeks ago. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Johnny.

Minutes by Vince