

ABATE REGION 19

July 7, 2020

We met in person on July 7! What a great feeling it was to be back and to see everyone in person. We had a nice evening and a great open discussion. Pete is planning to organize a ride next month, so make sure to be at the August meeting to get the details.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT – The insurance reform took effect July 1; we need to contact our Senators about SB528 and get them to support it. The SB1 insurance bill really dealt us a low blow that we have to fix.

Mike Kowall is running for Oakland County Commissioner; he is a great ABATE supporter and has our full support.

Legislative Officer for Region 19 is open. Please think about volunteering; don't worry, we will help you!!

Treasurer's report: Pete gave the report, which was approved.

MRF: the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation committee is currently drafting the Senate version of the HR2 Invest in America Act (aka Highway Bill) and they need to hear from motorcyclists. We need to ensure that the hard-fought victories that were won in the House Highway Bill also appear in the Senate version. The MRF has an automated response function that contacts our Senator (Gary Peter, who is a motorcyclist and an ABATE supporter).

BIKE RAFFLE: since there have not been any events at which we could sell bike raffle tickets, sales are way down. The State ABATE has proposed that each region buy a certain amount of tickets. We voted and approved a motion to buy \$300 of tickets

AWARENESS: The Motorcycle Awareness event is on hold due to the current situation.

Field Meet is now July 17 – 19

Freedom Rally is now September 29

MRF Meeting of the Minds is Sept 24 in Indy.

Minutes by Vince P.