

The Texas ABATE Confederation, Inc.
State Board Meeting
March 2, 2013
Host, Arlington
Diamond Jim's, Arlington

State Officers: Board Members:

Coordinator: David Dobyys, present Arlington: Chuck Gann, (proxy Rick)

Assist. Coordinator: Connie Thompson, present Denton: Jason York, present

Secretary: Robin Butts, present Golden Triangle: Kent Laverne, absent

Treasurer: Robin Warfield, present NET: Christi Dobyys, present

Membership: Connie Thompson, present Texoma: Jesse Elliott, present

Security: Jason York, present

Products: None.

Newsletter: Kaye Elliott, present

Meeting open: 1:30 PM. Pledge and moment of silence.

Coordinator's Report: Brought up discussion on Bill 1967 passed in 2009. There seem to be problems with to lack of penalties for downed bikers. Also brought up new bill HB149.

Assist. Coordinator's Report: Went to Waco for a Safety conference involving several departments for safety concerns and motorcycling.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept as printed. 2nd, passed.

Treasurer's Report: Read and approved. Charter fees are due.

Membership Report: 373 current members.

Legislative Report: Things discussed: Our bill about the Motorcycle Safety Fund will not be introduced. A similar bill, SB763 will be introduced by Kirk Watson. Patricia Turner is involved in promotions on safety and would like input. E-mail her at p-turner@tamu.edu.

AMSEP report: The projector screen was lost at the last TALES event. It was suggested to buy a large white sheet to use. The trailer with the wrecked bike needs to be registered and tagged. It was decided to put it in Robin Warfield's name. It was discussed to get banners made for AMSEP. Motion to have a banner made for AMSEP. 2nd, passed. We have lots of areas set up to begin this program.

Security: We are secure.

Newsletter: A newsletter should be sent out soon.

Products: We had a discussion about ordering products. Will check on sources for products.

Chapter Reports:

Arlington: Our Bikers Ball will be tonight. Should have the flash drives by next board meeting. We have raised \$102.50 with our/50 for AMSEP.

Denton: We will be hosting the Texas State Rally (formally the Northern Party) at Scruffy's, north of Decatur the third weekend in May, 17-19. The Teddy Bear Run with Texoma will be March 23 starting at JR Pockets. Biker Appreciation Day will be April 13. The Not ROT will be June 14-16 at Scruffy's

Golden Triangle: Absent.

NET: Will have a booth at the Terrell Jamboree. 4 Red Crosses will be put up around Canton April 4. We will have a benefit for the Hunt County kids May 14. Taking a ride to Oklahoma June 8th. We will have a booth at the Hunt Co. Fair. And we are having a Fun Run June 22 for our 5 year anniversary.

Texoma: Having a benefit for breast cancer today at the American Legion. On March 17, we are having a green pot cook-off. Having an All Fools Rally Apr. 26-27. On May 11, we will be supporting Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month parading signs at a local corner.

Old Business: Discussed were patches for Freedom Fighter Award and Legislative patches are here. Looking into the magnetic tags for officer badges. No names so they may be passed on. The Texas State Rally (of course) should be a shared responsibility for all chapters. Arlington will do the T-shirts again this year. NET will do games. Denton and Texoma will get the bands for Fri. and Sat. All will share the gate responsibility.

New Business: Suggested a joint run or rally to raise money for the MRF between Texas and Oklahoma. Maybe in Sept. Texoma to do the Mid-South-MILE basket. The Mid-South-MILE will be Oct 13-15 on Oklahoma City. The next COC meeting is in Sanger at Scooters on March 24.

Open Forum: Passports have arrived. To start, 10 per chapter. Suggested for any more, a \$5 donation to cover costs of printing. It was, however, decided the State will absorb the cost. Next board meeting will be at the State Rally in Decatur May 18, 1pm.

Motion to adjourn. 2nd, passed, closed 3:30PM.

Respectfully submitted, Robin Butts