

ABATE State Board Meeting  
January 10, 2015  
Lake Dallas, Texas

The meeting opened at 1:10pm with David Dobyngs presiding . Pledge and moment of silence was observed. All chapter reps were present. Our new Assist. Coordinator commented that he thanked everyone for their support and would do all he could to try to up membership.

Secretary report read and approved as printed in newsletter.

Treasurers report read and approved.

The membership report was read and approved.

Products office still open. Medallions and license plate frames discussed. A short AMSEP report was given explaining what AMSEP it and how it works.

Security was not present..

Newsletter was not discussed.

Legislative report is as follows: NHTSA released reports from 2013 on fatalities on motorcycles and all other vehicles. Motorcycle fatalities were down. A State bill, HB383 would state that 3 ft. be given to any vehicle, including bicycles, in a passing situation. The old bill that was presented asked for 6 feet. Another HR bill on e-15 at the Federal level asked for more study on this fuel. SB127 will stop funding for motorcycle check points. On the state level, Mallory's Law went into effect on Jan. 1, 2015. This law requires foot pegs and hand holds for passengers on motorcycles. Also a state law is out that requires 10 finger prints be taken for a drivers license. Legislative Day is Jan. 26, 2015 in Austin. Hope to see you there.  
Break 2:20 - 3:00

Chapter reports as follows:

Arlington reports that had our last meeting at D & J's Dec. 14. We moved our Jan. meeting from Diamond Jim's to the Pump at Hwy 360 and Randall Mill Rd. @ 12PM.

Denton reports that they will have a Freeze Your Ass Off party at Scruffy's Place in Decatur March 27-29. It is FREE. Bring everything you need as nothing will be provided except the usual outhouses. Biker Appreciation will be April 25<sup>th</sup>. NOT ROT will be June 12-14 at Scruffy's. Meetings are the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month at Mr. Porky's at 2PM. Officers' meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 6PM.

Golden Triangle reports that they had their Freedom Run at the Place is to celebrate The Helmet Law change. Mike Turner is now treasurer. Kevin Fontenot, the coordinator, has to have triple by-pass surgery.

Lake Cities reports Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> was the Christmas party at the Legion in Lake Dallas. Profited \$250. We are having a Valentines Day Party at the Legion on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> at 7PM/ On the 17<sup>th</sup> of February we will have a Marta Grau Party. Our meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 2PM at the Legion in Lake Dallas. We are having a special Legislative Day information meeting at the Legion on March 21<sup>st</sup> for anyone who want to come Elmer McKeagan will be speaking.

NET chapter reports their event schedule as follows: 11/15 Dave and Christi attended the NCOM in Austin. 12/16, we had Santa Cops Run in Mesquite and Christmas for the kids shelter and our Christmas Party. 12/20 we had Pop's Memorial Run. 1/17 is the next meeting at Shooter and Robin's at 2 pm.

Texoma chapter reports Skee Dodson is the chapter rep. The Real Fun Poker Run is coming up. We are having a Freedom Ride to raise money for the trip to Austin for Legislative Day. Nancy Knapp is our TXDOT person and is going to work on having FM1417 widened to have a middle turn lane. Our meetings are at the Elks Lodge in Sherman the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 1PM.

Old Business: To entice members, the idea of a 1 year free membership has been tossed around. Many suggestions were discussed. A final motion was as follows: One year free membership to new members (not old members coming back). Must be of age to have a driver license. They must attend 3 meetings to receive a state patch and be considered an actual member. 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion, passed.

New Business: Melissa Bullock, mother of Mallory of Mallory's Law will help draft a bill to try to get the money from the State Motorcycle Safety Fund.

Open Floor: Trainwreck stated he didn't think it was a good idea to put out how much alcohol any one consumed at an event into the social media or especially if someone where involved in an accident later.

Motion to adjourn, passed, closed 4:15PM,

Respectfully yours. Robin Butts