

Kootenai Road Dogs

Meeting Minutes

February 07, 2008

Coordinator Dale Ohrt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

16 members attended. Quorum requirements met.

The Chapter current Membership is 49

-> Membership renewals are due March 01, 2008.

Secretary's Report:

The December minutes were read and accepted.

The Treasurers' Report:

Guest Speaker:

None

Safety & Training:

Dan Ertz volunteered to be the Safety & Education information person for the Chapter. For his first tip, Dan cautioned all riders that ice is slippery, when operating motorcycles.

Dale noted the Spokane Motor School and the Evergreen Safety Council will have Trike and Sidecar training in June, '08.

Legislative Activity: None

Runs & Events:

February 22-24 Spokane Bike Show;

March 02	11 th Annual Frosty Bunz Run; Roadhouse Cycles, Post Falls; Scott, 208-457-1150
March	Hoodoo Blood Drive @Spirit Lake; Joel 208-704-5517
Mar. 16	One Eyes Lucky Charms Run—Rathdrum Id. Bryce or Julie 208-687-1926
March 23	Easter Bike Blessing; Lake City Comm Church; 12:00; Pastor Ernie 208-762-3943
April 05	NW Classics April Fool's Day Run in St. Maries; 509-922-9665 www.nwclassicmotorcycleclub.com Phil 509-922-9665
April 06	Abate State meeting in Moscow; Moose 208-245-2320
April 12	Hoodoo & Kootenai Highway Cleanup; Dave 208-765-3527
Apr. 19	America's Kids Run—Spokane Wa. www.spokanebiker.com
Apr. 26	Hoodoo Hippies—Anniversary Run Joel 208-704-5517
Apr. 27	11 th Annual White Pines Run—CDA Id. Pastor Ernie 208-762-3943 www.independentchristianbikers.com

Old Business:

- Dave Cazal was seated as the new, State Membership Secretary at the Jan. meeting.
- Dale ask for volunteers for manning the ABATE info table at the Spokane Bike Show. Dale Ohrt said he will have tri-folds and membership forms at the QuadRig booth in the Spokane Bike Show.
- Denise Mills reported that all Sponsor Certificates have been delivered, except for several Tom Taylor will be distributing this next week.

- We were all happy to see Tom Taylor in attendance after his hospitalization last month.
- Susan Taylor circulated photographs of the T4T shopping spree at Wal-Mart in December.

New Business:

- **Spring Opener** – The Opener will be June 06, 07, 08 in Harvard, ID (10 miles east of Potlach) campground. Ernie Crocker reported he had driven by the campground after the January 24 Opener meeting and said the site should be adequate, but is smaller than desired. No, real, alternatives are under consideration.
- In the interest of new membership, Dan Ertz suggested attending STAR training classes to hand out the Chapter tri-folds or the new, membership cards.
- **Membership Information Cards**- 500 membership information cards were distributed to members for promotional use.
A motion was made and carried to repay \$47.41 to Paul Riess for printing costs at Commercial Printing Co.
- After discussion, it was proposed the Chapter include a courtesy motorcycle safety check, open to all, prior to the April, 12 highway cleanup. Dan Ertz will talk to Lucky at Lawrence's about holding the safety check there. The possibility of holding lunch Lawrence's will be discussed. Ernie will discuss the traditional Linger Longer lunch with Hoodoo Chapter.
- A motion was made and carried to award a free pass to the Spring Opener to anyone who brings in 4 new members.

BYLAW CHANGES

- **Kootenai Chapter Bylaw Changes** –

A motion was made and **APPROVED** to request the change of the Chapter Bylaws as follows:

Article 5, Section 6 currently states; Due to conflict of interest, no member who is an active member of a motorcycle club may hold an officer position.

Our chapter requests the by-law reworded to state:

"..... any active members belonging to a motorcycle club or organization may hold a chapter office position as long as a conflict of interest does not become apparent. When conflict of interest becomes apparent, (that an appointed committee has agreed on), the officer will be asked to step down from the elected position."

- **State Bylaw Change** –

A motion was made and **APPROVED** to propose the change of State Bylaws as follows:

Article 9, Section 3 states; All checks, drafts, or other orders for payment of money, notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of The Corporation, must be signed by two officers, one of which is the State Treasurer, the other the State Coordinator or Deputy State Coordinator. All accounts shall be in the name of ABATE of North Idaho, Inc.

The Chapter would like to see the following added to this section;

"Debit cards may be used, provided the State BOD approves the usage of the card prior to the actual transaction."

- **State Bylaw Change** –

A motion was made and **REJECTED** to propose the change of State Bylaws as follows:

Article 3, Section 2.6 states; Two-thirds (2/3) of the membership of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A simple majority shall constitute approval of routine business not otherwise in conflict with these bylaws.

The Chapter proposes the wording changed to;

“ a simple majority (50%+1 of members with the voting rights) of representatives present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. A simple majority shall constitute approval of routine business not otherwise in conflict with these bylaws.”

- **State Bylaw Change –**

A motion was made and **TABLED FOR MODIFICATIONS AND RE-VOTE NEXT MEETING** to propose the change of State Bylaws as follows:

Article 3, Section 2.5 states; *Meetings of the Board of directors shall be open to all member. Participation by persons other than Directors shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors.*

The Chapter proposes the article read;

“Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to all members. Participation by persons other than Directors shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors. If both of a chapter’s representatives fail to attend two consecutive meetings, one of the following actions shall take place:

- a) The chapter that has committed the offense shall lose voting privileges until the next elections.*
- b) The chapter may choose to change the elected officers who have committed the offense and continue to carry their voting rights.”*

- **State Bylaw Change –**

A motion was made and **TABLED FOR MODIFICATIONS AND RE-VOTE NEXT MEETING** to propose the change of State Bylaws as follows:

Article 3, Section 2.7 states; *The State Coordinator, Deputy State Coordinator, State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Membership Secretary, State Ambassador-at-Large, and each Chapter Representative shall have voting powers at all Board of Director meetings. Vote by proxy will not be recognized.*

The chapter would like the article to read;

“The State coordinator, Deputy State Coordinator, State Secretary, State Treasurer, State Membership Secretary, State Ambassador-at-Large, and each Chapter Representative shall have voting powers at all Board of Director meetings. Vote by proxy will be recognized with a properly written authorization statement.”

Open Forum:

Holiday Fund Raffle:

A very nice motorcycle photo poster was won by Belinda Carson.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm.

The next meeting will be March 06, 2008.

Paul Riess, Secretary