

## Lake Chapter, A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota Meeting Minutes

**Date** - May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008

**Location** - Woody's on Main, Rockford

**Time** - 4pm

**Officers Attending:**

<b>President</b>	Mike Berger	X		
<b>Vice President</b>	Charm Bolgrean	X		
<b>Chapter Rep</b>	Dawn Riba	X		
<b>Treasurer</b>	Jim Kosse	X		
<b>Secretary</b>	Maureen O'Hern	X		
<b>Sergeants at Arms</b>	Karen May	X	Michael Shinn	X
	Bill Jensen	X	Dick Van Horn	X

**Total number of members attending** - 36

**Total number of guests attending** - 2

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance** – Led by Mike Shinn, 4:08pm.

**Welcome of new members or guests** – Jesse Clifton & Sheryl Immel

**President's remarks (Mike)** – Thanks for everyone being here.

**Vice President's remarks (Charm)** – Thanks to the Lake Chapter members involved in this year's ABATE U. Karen, Becky, Noma & Maureen

**OFFICER REPORTS:**

**Secretary's report (Maureen)** – Read by Maureen

*Motion to accept Secretary's report – Mike, 2nd by Rod "Stroke". Hands – Motion passed.*

**Treasurer's report (Jim) –**

Started April with \$ 4,097.00

**Income:**

Memberships	\$ 128.00
Products Sold	\$ 45.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 173.00</b>

**Expenses:**

1st Class postage for Road Noise	\$ 2.00
Medina Entertainment - reserve fee	\$ 1,200.00
Gene Bolgrean-memorial Lake member	\$ 50.00
Trophies Plus - member of the year	\$ 31.68
Mary Berger - postage	\$ 5.66
Audra-Hospitality room food	\$ 171.19
Spring Run Insurance	\$ 206.00
Spring Run Road Noise ad	\$ 36.50
ABATE MN annual affiliation	\$ 25.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,728.03</b>

April Ending Balance \$ 2,541.97

**Earmarks:**

Grounded Hogs	-\$800.00
ABATE U Hospitality Room	-\$150.00
Heartland STEAM room reimbursement	-\$140.00

Petty Cash: \$ 50.00

MRF Donation Fund: \$ 429.63

Chapter Gambling Fund: \$ 253.80

Food Shelf Fund: \$ 141.22

Toys for Tots Fund: -\$4.71

Buddy Bear Fund: \$ 275.00

**Grand Total:** **\$ 3,686.91**

**Available Total:** \$ 1,451.97

*Motion to accept Treasurer's reports – Rod "Stroke", 2nd by Mike. Hands – Motion passed.*

**Chapter Rep report (Dawn)** – At the April BOD all the new officers were recognized. Mitch and Todd were recognized for their contribution to the Road Noise. Mike Berger was given his Write to Ride patch. Dawn explained how to get the patch and stressed the importance of writing to your legislatures. The 2008 State Budget was approved. The PAC has \$8300.93 in their coffers. Dawn has State Rally raffle tickets available to be signed out. They have to be turned in by Aug 16th for our chapter to receive credit for them. Dawn has the State Rally work schedule, please sign up.  
*Motion to Chapter Rep report – Rod “Stroke”, 2nd by Keith K. Hands – Motion passed.*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Special Events (Rosa)** Chapter voted to reserve the Medina Entertainment Center for our 2009 Grounded Hogs party at a cost of \$1200. Medina has increased the price to \$1700. *Motion to pay the extra \$500 – Lee, 2nd by Mike S. Discussion followed on how to handle the price increase and to have the Hospitality room included in that price. Hands – Motion passed.* Memorial Run is May 24th, Starts in Victoria at noon. Spring Run is May 17th, starts at Woody’s in Rockford at noon. Door prizes needed. Pre-run is May 10th. *Motion to spend up to \$50 for the food at the get together after the Memorial Run – Becky, 2nd by Mike S. Hands – Motion passed.*

**Membership & Retention (Mary)** Mike & I attended the Delano Sports Center customer appreciation and this is good exposure for us and we’ll be at Crow River H-D’s Hog Roast on May 17th. Mary explained a new idea – Between now and our July meeting whoever signs up a new member or renews a member will get their name in the hat to win a State Rally ticket (Our State Rally sponsorship comp tickets will be used for this.) *Motion to do this – Rod “Stroke”, 2nd by Mike S. Friendly amendment to add the name of the person being signed up to the drawing, friendly amendment accepted. After discussion Rod “Stroke” withdrew his motion. Motion that we take 4 of our comp tickets and reserve those, any new members between now and the rally we throw their names in the hat and draw their name and the rest of the tickets we can discuss later – Becky, 2nd by Stroke. Hands – Motion passed.* **Dawn** – We gained 4 Lake Chapter members at Heartland STEAM. **Mike** – Our current membership stands at 425. **Charm** - Mary is looking for a replacement for her Membership and Retention position.

**Public Relations (Mitch)** Highway pickup - Thanks to those who showed up. Hospitality room very well received, Thank you Audra. Camp Friendship Aug 19th. May is Motorcycle Awareness Month Proclamation signing is May 7th.

**Training/Share the Road (Mary)** Mary will be the new Training/Share the Road person and will need someone to replace her as the Membership & Retention person. **Training** - She will be scheduling an Experience Riders Course for our chapter on May 25th, see Mary after the meeting if you are interested. *Motion to have the chapter spend \$300 for an ERC on May 25th and members attending the class will reimburse the chapter – Dawn, 2nd by Todd. Hands – Motion passed.* **Share the Road** - Mary is looking for places to hold a class, contact her with any ideas.  
*Motion to accept committee reports – Mike, 2nd by Mitch. Hands – Motion passed.*

## OTHER REPORTS

**MRF (Todd)** Heartland STEAM went well. Minnesota is the only state that has both Senators signed on to the HIPPA reform bill, thanks to Mary, Mike and all the others wrote to them. MRF membership is going up please sign up. Governor is signing the May is Motorcycle Awareness Month Proclamation at 9:30am Wed, May 17th. Todd spoke about Lake Chapter member from Nebraska Tim Peterson and all the good work he does on behalf of motorcyclists in Nebraska. *Motion to have the chapter pay for an A.B.A.T.E. of MN patch & an active member rocker – Keith, 2nd by Mary. Hands – Motion passed.* May 12th there is a fundraiser for John Kline at Buck Hill Ski Lodge \$25 donation to attend.

**Govt. Relations/MMSAC (Mike) Gov’t Relations** - It proves the power of writing to your legislatures, we are the only state with both Senators signed on to HIPPA Reform. **MMSAC** – they are still accepting applications.

**Products (Open)** – Jim presented Rhiannon with an Active Member patch. He has the new State products catalog and a small stack of shirts for \$10. Still looking for a products person please talk to Mike or Jim if you are interested.

**State Rally (Becky)** Advanced tickets are \$35 until the July 19th BOD, Dawn has advanced tickets available. (*Correction: I recorded \$30 advanced ticket price in the April meeting minutes.*) Next Rally meeting is May 10th. Lake Chapter will be doing the bike games again this year. We need sponsors.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Memorial Run (Batman)** – A little change to the route because of the construction in Delano.

**Chapter social/meet-and-greet at the Rally** – Discussion was held about a corn feed. *Motion to spend up to \$100 on corn feed supplies - Gene, 2nd by Mike S. Hands - Motion passed.* Meet & Greet is 2pm on Sat, Aug 30th.

**Other old business** - Mike has Dial-A-Ride boxes available, see Mike after the meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Drawing of name (Mary)** – Dave Clifton is the winner of the \$5 off Chapter products coupon.

**Chapter tent for the Rally** – *Motion to ask Little John to bring out the tent for \$100 – Charm, 2nd by Keith. Hands – Keith K. Hands – Motion Passed.*

**Lake Chapter's MRF membership** – *Motion to renew Lake Chapter's membership at a cost of \$100 – Mitch, 2nd by Mary. Hands – Motion passed.*

**Possible Lake Chapter summer party/membership event** – Kenny spoke about the logistics involved with this event. Members are encouraged to look for a place for this to be held.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

May 17th ~ Lake Chapter Spring Run, leaving Woody's at Noon

May 24th ~ Lake Chapter Memorial Run, leaving Victoria at Noon

May 24th ~ Sand Dunes Chapter Spring Fling Fundraiser, KJ's in Orrock, 7pm.

June 1st ~ Annual Veterans Benefit Ride

June 7th ~ Lake Chapter meeting, Woody's, Rockford, 4pm

June 7th ~ Ride for Better Vision, Sand Dunes Chapter

June 14th ~ Ronald McDonald House Benefit Run

June 14th ~ Lee's Hog Shoot in St. Boni. 5pm

June 14th ~ Central Chapter Buddy Bear Bash, Milo's, Morrill

July 3rd - 5th ~ Algona Freedom Rally in Iowa

July 12th ~ Lake Chapter meeting at Keith "Smoker" Effron's place, Breezy Point, 4pm

July 19th ~ Breeze for Needs Cancer Run

*Motion to adjourn – Audra, 2nd by Stroke. Hands – Motion passed.*

Time – 5:40pm

## **5.3.08 Meeting Motions**

Motion to accept Secretary's report – Mike, 2nd by Rod "Stroke". Hands – Motion passed.

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