**A.B.A.T.E. of Minnesota, Lake Chapter**

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| **Date:** | Aug 1st, 2020 | **Location:** | VFW in Monticello, MN, 3pm |

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| **President:** | Keith “Smoker” Efron | X | **Sergeant at Arms:**  | Blythe Bucher | X |
| **Vice President:** | Scott Bitzer | X |  | Dan Arne | X |
| **Chapter Rep:** | Todd Riba | X |  | Gaida Ulrick | X |
| **Treasurer:** | Christina Lincoln |  |  | Jim “Capital Jim” Bengston | X |
| **Secretary:** | Maureen O’Hern | X |  | Nikki Arne |  |
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| **Total numbers of members attending:** | 20 | **Guests:** | None |
| **Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:** | Smoker | **Mtg Start Time:** | 3:01pm | **Mtg End Time:** | 4:22pm |

**Welcome to members and guests; President’s Remarks; Vice-President’s Remarks:**

Smoker - Thanks to everyone for showing up. Scott – Thanks for showing up.

**Officer Reports:**

**Secretary’s Report:** Maureen O’Hern

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| ***Motion to accept the minutes as written -*** | *Dick V.* | *2nd* | *Cyndi B.* | *Motion passed.* |

**Treasurer's Report:** Christina Lincoln - Smoker read the Treasurer’s report

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| ***Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report -*** | *Dawn R.* | *2nd* | *Jim B.* | *Motion passed.* |

**Chapter Rep Report:** Todd Riba – ABATE of MN in decent shape other SMROs around the country are struggling please sign up members. Gary Goracke is now the Legislative Director. There were no Write for Ride for Lake Chapter please write your legislatures on our issues. ABATE U went well. The products catalog was sent around. ~3200 members statewide membership auto-renewal is being investigated. Algona memberships were down. Motorcycle Safety Task Force I Spy the Guy information was handed out. Sand Dunes chapter is up and running if you would like to go to a meeting please do so. ABATE U Chapter Challenge raised $5000. The Wounded Warrior pass the hat idea was brought up to the chapters at the BOD for the Reps to take it back to their chapters. Mississippi Valley chapter is struggling. The Oct BOD is near Norwood Young America on Oct 17th.

**Committee Reports, Vice President:**

**Membership:** Scott Bitzer - ~3200 members statewide. 1 new membership from the Crow River HD Open House. 1 couple membership from ABATE U. Scott will have a membership table at the VFW bike run Aug 17th

**Products:** Nikki Arne – Dan – Flags are $16 license plate frames are $12.

**Special Events:** Dan Arne / Rick Van Horn – We are penciled in at the Rockford Town Hall for the Grounded Hogs Party Feb 13th, 2021. Everett Smithson will be the band.

*Motion to add to the ticket that the money is non-refundable Dawn R., 2nd Jim K. – Motion passed.*

**Training and Education:** Sherry Edgett Scott – the class was fun he learned a lot he challenged everyone to take the class.

**Public Relations:** Mitch Backlund – No report

**Buddy Bears:** Myra Van Horn – Smoker has 10 bears that will go to Cross Lake.

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| ***Motion to accept the Committee reports -*** | *Jim B.* | *2nd* | *Karen M.* | *Motion passed.* |

**Other Reports, President:**

**MRF Report:** Dawn Riba The MRF office is in Illinois. Rocky is still our lobbyist. We had 2 new cosponsors to the profiling resolution. Meeting of the Minds near Indianapolis Sept 24th-27th. There is a Call to Action for the senate for the Highway Bill. *Motion to donate $200 to the Meeting of the Minds - Karen M., 2nd Scott T. – Motion passed.*

**Dial-A-Ride:** Mike Edgett – Smoker thanks to anyone who distributed materials, made a pick up or did an intervention

**Government Relations/Legislative Report:** Mack Backlund Todd – Please contact the Governor about signing the May is Motorcycle Awareness Month proclamation. The MN Motorcycle PAC balance is low please donate to the PAC. Eventually we will discuss donating money to Biker Day.

**MN Motorcycle Safety Task Force:** Monte Ohlrogge discussion was held about road safety and that painted road surfaces are slippery

**State Rally:** Keith “Smoker” Efron posters are available please take some and distribute them. There will be a 50/50 raffle at the rally. Karen has sponsorship material available.

**Drawing of the Name** Mike Edgett – no drawing

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

4 State Rally comp tickets – *Motion to have whoever buys an ABATE U raffle ticket gets a State Rally*

*comp ticket – Krista H., 2nd Dawn R. – Motion passed. Motion to give a State Rally comp ticket to Batman – Dan A., Dick V. – Motion passed.*

SJK Award Nominations – Please think about nominating someone

State Rally tent, fire ring, wood, food - Discussion was held about each of these items.

Meeting of the Minds – Already discussed

Set Ditch pick up – Noon on Oct 3rd in St. Boni. Meet at the city office/community center

Toys for Tots – discussion was held.

Dick – Please consider reaching out to Myra and give her your condolences about the passing of her sister.

**Upcoming Meetings/Events:**

Aug 11th – MN Day in Central City, SD

Sept – No Lake Chapter meeting this month

Sept 4th-7th – ABATE MN State Rally, Meeker County Fairgrounds, Litchfield

Oct 3rd – Ditch pick up Noon on Oct 3rd in St. Boni. Meet at the city office/community center

Oct 3rd – Lake Chapter meeting, Chris Kalway’s house in Howard Lake, 3pm

Nov 7th – Lake Chapter meeting Madigan’s in Maple Lake, 3pm.

Feb 13th 2021 – Grounded Hogs Party, Rockford Township Hall, Rockford, MN

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| *Motion to adjourn -* | *Cyndi B.* | *2nd* | *Buzz P.* | *Motion Passed.* |

Respectfully submitted by Maureen O’Hern, Lake Chapter Secretary

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| **Motion passed at the** | **Aug 1st, 2020** | **Meeting:** |

1. Motion to accept the minutes as written – Dick V., 2nd Cyndi B. – Motion passed.
2. Motion to accept the Treasurer’s report – Dawn R., 2nd Jim B. – Motion passed.
3. Motion to add to the ticket that the money is non-refundable Dawn R., 2nd Jim K. – Motion passed.
4. Motion to accept the Committee reports – Jim B., 2nd Karen M. – Motion passed.
5. Motion to donate $200 to the Meeting of the Minds - Karen M., 2nd Scott T. – Motion passed.
6. Motion to have whoever buys an ABATE U raffle ticket gets a State Rally comp ticket – Krista H., 2nd Dawn R. – Motion passed.
7. Motion to give a State Rally comp ticket to Batman – Dan A., Dick V. – Motion passed.
8. Motion to adjourn – Cyndi B., 2nd Buzz P. – Motion passed.