

MINUTES of Dixie ABATE Southern Region

Meeting date: December 11, 2011

Call to order: A meeting of the Dixie ABATE **Southern Region**, was held at Hooter's in Daphne, Alabama on December 11, 2011 The meeting convened at 3:00pm

Stanley "Scrapiron" Vardas, Regional Organizer, presiding.

Welcome and introduction by: Stanley "Scrapiron" Vardas

Members in attendance: 12

Approval of minutes: N/A (**First Meeting**)

Officers' reports: "Scrapiron" discussed the agenda for the meeting & Roberts Rules of Order notified the attending group that a vote for officers would be held at this meeting.

Directors Reports: Vote to be held for Regional Director

Assistant Regional Director: Vote to be held for this post later also

Secretary: Deb Chatham was asked to take the minutes until a nomination could be held.

"Scrapiron" notified the group that the possibility of official title would be Sec/Treasurer

Treasurer: Subject to approval as Sec./Treasurer

Board and committee reports: Since this was the first meeting of this group the only committee was the organization of the Southern Region of the Dixie ABATE

Unfinished business: "Scrapiron" complimented the group for their participation & told them they were well deserved.

New business:

Organizational meeting of **Dixie ABATE**

Motion for Southern area to be named **Southern Region Dixie ABATE**

Motion Carried: to be known as the **Dixie ABATE Southern Region** as per approval from the BOD (Board of Directors)

Nominations and Elections: "Scrapiron" asked for nominations although nominations were held at the Burn Out's prior & were seconded. He tried to have anyone who wished to be nominated to speak up trying to be fair within this group. The reply was that they were satisfied & did not wish to do so. He announced that the elected officers would be in effect officially January 1, 2012

Call for Nominations & election:

Stanley “Scrapiron” Vardas

Second: Ken Behr

UNOPPOSED/VOTE CLOSED

Assistant Regional Director: Nominations: Michael Stieber

Second: Ken Behr

UNOPPOSED/VOTE CLOSED

Secretary/Treasure: Nominations: Deb Chatham

Second: Michael Stieber

Sgt Arm/Security: Tabled until the January meeting

Activities Director: Tabled until later

New Business:

- 1 Discussed purchasing T-Shirts (later) with a pocket. Made in USA
Pocket to have the ABATE patch on pocket with Dixie ABATE
on top & Southern Region on the bottom. Back of shirt to be discussed & approved
2. Support for a malfunctioning traffic signal/dead red legislation.
3. Ways and means to increase membership in the **Dixie ABATE Southern Region.**
4. Increasing motorcycle **awareness/education**
5. Information fliers for shops and business promoting the Dixie Abate Southern Region.
6. Communications through the Dixie ABATE website forum Dixie ABATE Facebook page.
7. A link on the website for The Southern region on the Dixie ABATE website..
8. The need for updated **By Laws & Constitution** to be printed for the membership ASAP
9. Possibility of billboards advertising Biker Awareness - as discussed previous with the B’Ham group
10. “Scrapiron” discussed the By laws & Constitution & many pertinent informative aspects of the contents in order to enlighten the membership in general.

Non-profit organization - Regions Bank - North Division start-up - statewide quarterly meetings

Newsletter - have Governor proclaim a month as motorcycle awareness month

Announcements:

The Ride to the Capitol April 28, 2012 to be discussed at the January meeting

Next Meeting:

January 8, 2012 at 3:00 pm

American Legion Post 76

1918 Duval Street

Mobile, Alabama

Adjournment: Freddie Wheeler made the motion to adjourn Seconded by Mario Rivera

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.

Deborah Chatham Secretary

Date of approval: 12/12/11

Date of correction: 12/13/11

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Attendance:

Stanley "Scrapiron" Vardas

Michael Stieber

John "Chico" Bethea

Aubrey "Booger" Smithart

Pete Colby

Skip Rojas

Robert Boadreaux

Mario Rivera

Freddie Wheeler

Debbie Chatham

Ken Behr

Jim Munsey

