

CMT/ABATE –BOD December 11, 2016

Bullet Led pledge and Jack Jones led prayer;

Motion by Upper Cumberland ---- to approve the Sept 2016 Minutes; motion received a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Montgomery; motion passed.

**Director-n/a**

**Asst. Director-** N/A

**CHARTER REPORTS-n/a**

**Caney Fork-**

**DHH-excused**

**French Broad-** N/A

**Madisonville-** N/A

**Montgomery-**met with spring thaw; we resolved this problem between him and charter. Filled trailer donated to Gatlinburg about 8000 lbs.

**Music City-** working on STR

**Nashville-** N/A

**Northeast-**N/A

**Robertson-** working on memorial ride; will get back with date

**SWSR-** Smitty's is shutting down need a new meeting place; will meet at Roost

**Sumner-** N/A

**TN Valley-** N/A

**Upper Cumberland-** N/A

**Wheels of Thunder-** N/A

**Newspaper-**absent

**Treasury report –** financials are on table

**Legislative-** met with Mcgriff, dept. safety/homeland security. Just introduced ourselves, he wasn't aware of CMT/ABATE; he liked what we are doing. We will get a 5K grant again next year for safety and awareness. Request to safety liaison to meet with the new commissioner. They spoke on how tony and our people are gracious and work out things without fussing. The 5000 will go back to the endowment grant. 4700 worth of products with it. There will be a couple hundred dollars left over; products by March 2017. State wants to run a bill about school buses to be able to use the

emergency lane as well; they called us to check with us which is a good thing. We met with John Hurst of TFA; they have many of the same problems as we do.

Music City member brought up 'distracted drivers'; need to bring it up in lobbying this year. Laws are not being enforced. Would like to get added NO handheld use in vehicles. There are two groups already lobbying, can you go with them this year and give your testimony?

**MRF-** meeting at the minds; we were not there due to medical issues. MRF website is updating to include all federal or state regulations, check it out. Resolution trying to get through encouraging all states to seriously look a profiling motorcycles. Another issue going on around the world autonomous vehicles, MRF is submitting comments asking to be sure they are recognizing motorcycles

**Safety & Ed-**N/A

**Membership-** N/A

**Products-** same stuff come see me; do we have ABATE stickers?? Need some helmet stickers

**Activities-** vendors that come to your events need to make sure you don't have several of the same merchandise Need to start supporting them better, have a poker run around the vendors; have vendors donate things for poker run; check into sponsors, check with Carol Crowson for ideas. Looking at 5 states to put on an event in the south region; waiting on director out of GA to see if they can come and several others. TN will be the hosting state. Looking at Tellico or that area. Have a guy that will let us have the camp ground for free, also talking with a national recording band to play at this event. Carol Simpson asked what the goal is for hosting this event; Carol Crowson is wanting to have a conference with these other states as well, not just a party. Kevin is director for this local charter, what is going to be done will be decided; it is just in development stage. Motion by Kevin; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wendell to table this discussion to next BOD meeting.

**Chaplain-** Remember this is Jesus Christ birthday take a moment to remember this.

**Office** – New computer had to be purchased because the old one crashed; Dean will have updates on membership and office reports soon. Question if there was a backup for data from office files, yes Bette has backup computer. Google drive is also free, need to check into this.

**NCOM/TNCOC-NCOM-**

**Webmaster-** absent

**At Large-** absent

**PR Communications-** absent

**Old Business-** N/A

**New Business-** motion by Lynn of Upper Cumberland 2<sup>nd</sup> by Madisonville to vote Tony Dabbs State Director; question if Johann should not take over since Tony has Lobbying coming up in the spring. We need to follow protocol, Johann stated toward end of meeting you (Dean) resign as director and I do the job for 3 months; the only empty chair would be Asst. Director. So Johann will be interim director. **Lynn/Upper Cumberland withdrew motion**

**Open Forum-** JR Blanchard showed a 20 year old certificate for membership. We need to start putting the tri-fold in your local bars, restaurants, etc. People in our charter didn't know it existed. Jeff showed off his first place plaque from rodeos 2016; 60 year old man. Sumner gave \$50 for Legislative fund.

Need to ask about getting a booklet for all members to carry; maybe posting a list of people across the state that would be willing to help a rider in need.

Faith would like anyone donating to the Chinese auction get it to her before the day of!

Madisonville to change charter name to Smoky Mountain Charter as of today December 11, 2016

Kevin from Smoky Mountain charter wants to be NCOM/COC; Tommy is our NCOM/COC representative,

Johann shook hands and spoke about Dean and thanked him for his position and directorship over the years.

Motion by Music City Charter, 2nd by French Broad - to adjourn meeting, passed

Next meeting March 12, 2017