Johann led pledge and Jack Jones led prayer;

Motion by Dean to approve the March 2017 Minutes; motion received a second by Faith; voting was unanimous

<u>Director-</u>I come into this meeting seeing if I need to do something different or leave it as it has been. Those that have a stick should have a voice, if time is appropriate then others can offer their opinion. Please respect each other and go back to charter to let the members know what's happening. The next board meeting will be conducted differently.

Asst. Director- Unity is what I hear at this meeting, last year we had 5 bikes to legislative ride.

Open Positions – All positions will be up for nominations in September except for 2 year positions.

Charter Reports

<u>Caney Fork-</u> meeting has moved to 25 north Hickman rd. July 22nd poker run for human society, 9 am registration. Community center in Gordonsville relay for life.

Dickson Humphreys- Absent

<u>French Broad-</u> David turner spoke on their ride on June 24^{th @10 a.m.} need as many charters to attend this meeting to help advocate for CMA ABATE. East of Knoxville CMT don't exist, Ape Hangers bar in Koch County, there is a lot of motorcyclist go there. In that are a lot of motorcycle rides, Sunday is a meet and great and we need help from other charters to educate people about us. We are asking for help to get us going as a charter from the experienced charter members. Call 423-465-4898 or email marine.1957@hotmail.com. PR/Communications can help with getting emails to every member but need the flyers 6 weeks in advance. We can also print flyers and mail to the charters, see Carol Simpson.

Sargent of arms of French Broad was told that they could not wear the patch by Outlaws.

We have a crossbow raffle coming up, we got tickets for sale. We will mail to you.

Montgomery- nothing to report.

<u>Music City-</u>STR planning still going on we have presale tickets. Raised 5300 dollars for intervention ride. Flyers for STR is in process.

<u>Nashville</u>-used poker run books at key events like liberty rally, SWSR.

Northeast- excused

Robertson- in memory ride no firm date; ride starts at piggy pit KSU noon to Fat Daddy's June 17th

<u>SWSR-</u> July 9th Honor Ride, need all the help we can get. We need support for the museum to be finished. We are in charge of this ride this year, the mayor wasn't going to do it this year, so we decided to do it. May turn into a yearly ride. July 15th robin long memorial ride.

Smoky Mountain – 2nd annual freedom ride and others

<u>Sumner-</u>I am excited that Ryan got a point on me at rodeo!! Everyone needs to plan on going to the points final rodeo, poker run book finals... we need to all try to plan to support upper Knoxville charters.

TN Valley- absent

Upper Cumberland- Liberty Rally went well this year.

Wheels of Thunder- we are doing more rides then we have in a while...

<u>At Large-</u> 114 members on list, 38 more than the last board meeting. Whenever a new member signs up we direct them to their local charter.

<u>Newspaper-</u> in the newspaper most events for charters are not listed in here. Send me the flyers for your events; Word document is preferable. Send me pictures of your events as well. Yog was asked to write up an article for paper on the TV charter. Please do spell check on your reports and flyers before sending it to state newsletter.

<u>Treasury report</u> – Bette has income report available for charters at table. We have a bank account at 1^{st} bank and will not take put it to credit union account.

Motion by Keebler 2nd by Dean to change grant account from 1st TN to Southeast Financial for the grant account only. Will change before next two weeks when we get the state check. Vote unanimous yeah.

<u>Legislative-</u>I promise to make my newsletter report shorter, new session starts in January. Next year we will elect a governor; we have 3 candidates so far.... Remember if the governor wants it done it will be, it does matter. Listen to these candidates and invite them to your charter meetings. We need more personal conversations with representatives and senators of charters.

<u>MRF-</u> meeting of minds in September 21st- 25th in VA; we plan the yearly legislative agenda for national at this meeting. Still chasing the Ethanol issue. We need more MRF asst. for state of TN, if you know of anyone interested contact MRF Ed Domine.

Motion by Dean 2nd by Angel to pledge state money for meeting of minds meeting of \$700. Motion passed unanimously.

<u>Safety & Ed-</u> Dept. of Safety for money is starting to trickle in. Chief McGriff is impressed with CMT ABATE, we are now looking back into a grant for us. The state really likes "The Don't Ride Fried" events. *Motion* by Dean 2nd David to distribute all safety products evenly to all charters. Vote unanimous yeah. The grant report is being designed and will be working out details. Need a committee for distribution of funds.

Also need volunteers for Don't Ride Fried stuff. See Johann for anyone interested in this event.

<u>Membership</u>- Kim has a membership list and lot of these people are expired; why not offer a year membership to these people to get new ones or previous members to come back. Need to take this back to directors and vote on this. Send emails and letters to these people.

<u>Products-</u> we have new patches available also new flag pins (3 different kinds). We have T-shirts and honor ride patches. See Faith after meeting.

<u>State office</u>- need insurance premiums by charters, need to move the office from location by fall. You need to be looking at a new location for state office.

<u>Activities</u>- I have attended a lot of events this year. We are doing the trail of tears starting on the 15th. June 24th at L/Town riders are having a show. On a ride recently there were Keltic's and US veterans riders on ride but the last stop at Smitty's the US Veterans were not allowed to go there.

Chaplain- N/A

NCOM/TNCOC-NCOM -

<u>Webmaster</u>- Carl is stepping down as webmaster, the new webmaster can create their own website and find new host that is secure. Website was created to accommodate everyone, this needs to be done on next website for those that can access by anywhere. New webmaster will be nominated at Sept. BOD meeting.

PR Communications- carol Simpson talked about PSA in the East Tennessee area. Billboards down the highway. Emails need to be fixed on database.

<u>Open Forum-</u> Rodney Nashville Counsel of clubs. He spoke about connecting to the motorcycle community for rights; there is no hierarchy, we represent the voice of everybody. We meet twice a year in gulf port MS, ABATE can't attend this but you can spread the word it will help us all. We are not a part of NCOM. Motorcycle.profile.com, we need more people to fill this out and participate. 15-16 we had 5000 people complete the survey. I have put packets on the table for you.

State Facebook account will be discussed in September.

FOE will be giving away motorcycle for funds for children hospital July 29th, camping. Flyers will be sent to newspaper. Tickets \$20 don't have to be present to win, taxes will have to be paid by winner.

Motion by Keeble 2nd by Jack to adjourn Unanimous yeah