

**Call to Order:** 6:00

<b>Officers:</b>	Coordinator – Tom “Papa Smurf” Aydt	Present
	Secretary – Kevin Davis	Present
	Membership – Cynde Aydt	Present
	Treasurer – Roxanna Payntar	Absent
	Sgt @ Arms 1st – Emmette Tucker	Absent
	Sgt @ Arms 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Shirley “Moonshine” Bizub	Present
	Safety – Kevin Davis	Present
	Events – Shirley “Moonshine” Bizub	Present
	Runs –	
	Chapter BOD – Gary “G” Vick	Present
	Communications – Tom “PapaSmurf” Aydt	Present
	PAC/MRF – Dennis Lange	Present

**Attended:** 12

**Mission Statement:** Read by Tom

**Coordinators Comments:** We will need a new Treasurer as Roxanna will be stepping down. Thank you, Roxanna, for your service and dedication!

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Motion to waive reading of minutes by Cynde 2<sup>nd</sup> by Denny. Motion passed.

**Treasurer Report:**

Beginning Bal:	\$ N/A
Expenses:	
MRF	\$
Bank Charge	\$
Deposits:	
Merchandise & 50/50	\$
Ending Balance	\$ N/A

**Membership Report:** 51 Members

**Merchandise:** Shirley provided a sample of the new improved logo. She is taking orders for hoodies and long sleeve shirts.

**Communications:** None

**Safety:** We went over a handy Inspection checklist for our motorcycles.

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**Runs/Events:** Shirley proposed an X-mas party for the Chapter.

The outsiders are looking for volunteers to serve hot chocolate and cookies. Date?

October 26th Trunk or Treat for pets Kingman

November 12<sup>th</sup> is State membership and elections meeting.

Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup> is our Highway litter cleanup- VFW for breakfast at 8am. Cleanup at 9am then pizza after at the VFW. Come help us break in the new pickup sticks!

Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup>. A Pig Roast and Halloween party hosted by the wonderful folks at the VFW and BUMA

**Old Business:**

**New Business: \*\*\*Next Chapter Meeting October 16th we need people to step up for Chapter Officer positions PLEASE!\*\*\***

**50/50:**

**Dollar Jar:**

**Next Meeting:** Monday, October 16th

Motion was made to end meeting by Jay, 2<sup>nd</sup> by "G" Motion passed.

Time: 7:25pm

**PAC/MRF Report:** Denny updated on current efforts.

Please present this report as the PAC report:

Michael is working on Legislation for next session, now that the results of the survey have been completed. The THREE (3) issues we will be working on are:

- 1) Increased penalties for violating Hands-Free Statute
- 2) Kong's Law
- 3) Securing the Motorcycle Safety funds, so they will never be appropriated to the wrong agency again. Michael is working with AMSAF to increase the MSF from \$1 to \$2.

In addition, Michael met with the new Director of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety and discussed alternative ways of appropriating the MSF without worrying about the possibility of misappropriating those funds again.

Michael had a 90-minute meeting with the Maricopa County Attorney over the GTF presence at NCOM; Formal complaints have been filed with AG's Office and DPS.

Michael is also litigating on a profiling incident that happened in Pinal County. He has scheduled a meeting with Sheriff Lamb to discuss the issue.

On the MRF side:

NHTSA investigates Tesla again over an Autopilot configuration that allows extended periods of time WITHOUT prompting the driver to apply torque to the steering wheel.

H.R. 1435 (Protecting the Internal Combustion Engine) PASSED in the House of Representatives on Thursday.

S.2090, the companion bill of H.R. 1435 in the Senate needs more Cosponsors; Please contact your Senators and ask them to support S. 2090

IIHS (Insurance Institute for Highway Safety) has released a document highlighting what it sees as "Simple Steps" to reduce Motorcycle deaths. In 2021, over 6,000 motorcyclists were killed on our nation's highways and that was 14% of ALL traffic fatalities.

MRF Meeting of The Minds is on Sept. 21-24 in Harrisburg, Pa. 2023 Hall of Fame Inductee will be our very own, Mary Kay Donnay!

Locally.

City of Tucson/Pima County elections are coming up in November. More on those elections next month.

I have the results of the city of Tucson motorcycle crashes from 2022 & 2023. I am analyzing these statistics to find common contributors to these accidents, so we can present both TDOT and TPD some ideas to reduce these accidents. In 2022, we had 15 (possibly 17) fatalities in the city of Tucson; as of a week ago, we have had 12 inside the city limits in 2023. Also, I have a new contact within the TPD's Traffic Division that I am hoping to meet with in the next month before the next chapter meeting. Finally, I will NOT be accepting any nominations this year for State Officer, nor Chapter Officer positions. As some of you know, I have been working for many years with Michael Infazon as his Southern Arizona Associate at Epic Policy Group, Inc. Epic Policy Group was assigned as ABATE of Arizona's Lobbyist last year, so I will continue to Represent ABATE of AZ as your Lobbyist. My hope is that more members will run for State & Chapter Legislative positions, thus, giving the organization more ideas, more choices, and renewed excitement! Thank you and see you next month!! William

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