

# A.B.A.T.E. of Arizona

## Southern Arizona Chapter Monthly Meeting Minutes



**Meeting Date:** May 20,2023

**Site:** Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge  
**Site Address:** 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705

**Presiding Officer:** Anissa Huntington

**Officers Attending:**

Coordinator: Jeremy Krauss	Not Present
Vice-Coordinator: Anissa “Dragonfly” Huntington	Present
Secretary: Monica Byrne	Present
Treasurer: Monica Byrne	Present
Membership: Jim Butsback	Present
Sgt at Arms: Open Officer	Not Present
Safety: Darron Huntington	Present
P.A.C.: William Cleveland	Not Present
Runs/Events: Robert “Gizmo” Welton	Present
Communication: Judi Miller	Present
Merchandise: Lael Clark	Not Present
B.O.D. Rep: Anissa “Dragonfly” Huntington	Present

**Meeting Call to Order @ 10:00 am**

**Reading of the Mission Statement:** We are a political organization. We will lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image. We will endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals who share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM. We will involve ourselves in fund raising to achieve our goal. Read by Anissa Huntington

**Reading of the Minutes by Secretary:**

Motion made by \_Darron Huntington\_\_\_\_\_ and seconded \_Jim Butsback\_\_\_ to waive reading and accept as presented was approved.

**Coordinator's Comments:** I took the accident scene management in Casa Grande with Teresa "Trauma Mama" Martinez using the AMSAP Scholarship. AMSAP will have more scholarships in July and recommend you take this class, so you know what to do when someone goes down on a run with you. They don't normally offer the classes in Tucson but if there are enough people interested, we have a place to host it. So if it something that someone is interested get a hold of Jeremy or I can translate it over to him.

Sunday is the Distinguished Gentlemen's Ride Men Mental Health & Prostate Cancer; I will promoting ABATE through word of mouth & participating. I start participating in getting involved in Gear Shifters & 2 Wheels in Tucson ride group, it looks like they meet month at our mixed group of riders.

**Vice-Coordinator's Comments:** I wanted to talk about JD as most of you know we lost him on April 28<sup>th</sup>. But Monica & Greg have been very, very busy taking care of his affairs & his house. Everything taking care of our brother. We have been talking about doing a run in his memory or a Celebration of Life here at the Moose in June. We have spoken with the Moose Lodge and they do approve it here. The date will be June 10<sup>th</sup>, only reason is because he has family coming from California & other friends.

**Treasurer's Report:**

There is \$3,528.04 Combined In-Chapter. There were \$2,100.00 in expenses and the chapter raised \$0 50/50. Motion was made by Bob Welton and seconded by Darron Huntington to accept the report.

**Safety:** I did post this on Facebook at least 55 injury accidents & 11 fatality accidents this year. We have more deaths this year than last year at this time. Slow down, keep you're on a swivel. Remember we have the Lane Filtering that doesn't mean you have to do it but there are idiots now making fools of themselves in traffic because now it's legal for them to do that. Nobody that is lane filtering has died this year, it's people making left had turns in front of motorcyclist. A pot hole caused a death of a motorcyclist.

Check your tires there are oils on the roads, so they can be slick. With Monsoon coming soon please be aware of the roads where you are riding. Always be safety first.

**Membership Report:** 97 Active Members, 167 Inactive Members, would have 264 Members if all Active.

**Merchandise:** Nothing at this time

**P.A.C.:** Nothing at this time

### **Runs/Events:**

**June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023, Cycle Gear Bike Night** 5385 E. Broadway Blvd. Tucson, Arizona 85711 from 5pm – 7pm.

**July 27<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 ABATE 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Motorcycle Rally -Too Broke for Sturgis, Winslow, AZ:** Live Bands Thurs. Fri. & Sat. Bike contest, Bike games, Poker run & walk, People games, beard, tattoo contest, Tent & RV Dry Camping Available, \$40.00 weekend including tent camping, \$35.00 (ABATE Members), \$25.00 Saturday only pass, \$30.00 additional for RV Camping. Adult Only Event, must be 18 to enter event.

**Communications:** Not much to report. We are still working on the Too Broke for Sturgis stuff. We are still looking for volunteers.

**Board:** I was not at the last meeting. Nothing much going on. Net meeting is July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Old Business:** Buddy's Bar & Grill that woman was not happy that she had to cancel a run because we had our road cleanup & she needs to know a year in advance when we will be coming. We will never ever have another meeting at her place of business. We will go there and do our road cleanup but not give her any business. We can do our meeting here first or go there and come back for our meeting. It was suggested to have go do our road cleanup and our meeting at Mescal Bar. We used to have that on a day of our meeting day. So it was decided that we will do the road side cleanup 1<sup>st</sup> and then go to the Mescal Bar for our meeting.

**New Business:** Today we are making our donation from the Champs House Run of \$2,000.00 to Gator. We also had some extra money donated after the run. Gator was presented with a check for \$2,000.00, a check for \$25.00 & \$20.00 cash from a member of ABATE. Gator thanked everyone for our support of the Fisher House here in Tucson. It goes to help the many Veterans & their families.

Jim sent out an email to all the coordinators in the state that I got some more lane filtering cards. Also put on the ABATE Facebook page if anyone needs any, I have heard from 6 people none from this chapter. So I have brought 200 for anyone that needs some, I ordered 5,000 cards. I also have 10 memorial patches for Debbie Butitta they are \$6.00 all money going to MRF AME which was her pet project. If anyone needs more of the raffle tickets please see me, we still have more tickets that can be sold.

### **Membership Drawing:**

A total of \$\_9.00\_ was in the pot. \_JD Dare\_, name was pulled. On his behalf Monica Byrne accepted & donated back. Next Month will be \$ \_19.00\_. Not a dry eye at the meeting.

**50/50 Pot:** The winner was Jim Butsback for the amount \$\_15.00\_ donated back.

**Motion to Adjourn:**

Was made by \_\_\_Darron\_Huntington\_\_\_ Seconded by \_Jim Butsback\_\_\_ to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at \_10:49\_\_am.

**Next Meeting:** June 17th, 2022 at Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge, 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705 Meeting starting at 10:00am.

Anissa Huntingtom \_\_\_\_\_

Vice Coordinator

Monica Byrne \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary