

**ABATE of North Idaho**  
**Clearwater Chapter**  
Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2008

Chapter Coordinator Kathy Dill called the meeting to order at 12:09 pm. The meeting was held at Dee and James' house.

There were 5 Officers, 12 members, and 4 guests present at the meeting. Beautiful turnout!!

The last meeting minutes were read. The only change to take affect was, the Friendship run is not solely an ANI event, ABATE of Idaho, and ICMS are also sponsors of the event. With this change in mind Jody motioned that the minutes be approved, Jesse seconded the motion, a vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

**Coordinator report:** Kathy Dill thanked Dee for attending the state meeting on her behalf. She then turned in for reimbursement two receipts for postage and requested reimbursement.

**Deputy Coordinator report:** Jody Favre reported that she had no report at this time.

**Secretary report:** Dee informed the chapter that the bill for the Christmas cards had not processed properly and that the bill was still outstanding, and requested that a check be written to cover the expense. The chapter agreed. She then turned in a receipt for postage that she had forgotten to turn in last month and requested reimbursement. Reimbursement authorization was given. The next issue Dee brought up was the flyers that the chapter sends out to other chapters for our events. She suggested that along with the flyers a letter be sent to invite each chapter or organization/club to attend the function. In attempt to create a more personal camaraderie between all others who enjoy attending our chapter functions. Pauline motioned that an invitation letter be sent with our flyers for our events. Jody seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed. Chuck added that since Dee was our Secretary she should write the letter. Dee agreed. The next issue was our chapter's presence at other chapter's functions. Could we delegate a committee to attend other chapter's functions to show that we wish to bring together our Organization as a whole entity? Everyone agreed that our chapter needed to show our chapter's support to other chapter's and organization/clubs if we wanted them to support our events. So at each meeting, if someone knows of an event that we, as a whole, should support let the chapter know time and date so we can make sure that our support is shown. That was the end of Dee's report.

**Treasurer report:** James handed the report to Dee to read since her voice carries further than his. The checking account balance was reported. The savings account balance was reported and the Special Fund was stated. All incomes and expenses were reported.

**Membership report:** Lindsay reported that we now have 55 members in good standing. Including the renewal of member Dave Statler. Welcome back Dave!!! Lindsay also asked to make sure everyone was aware that membership dues are up for renewal and current

memberships expire on March 31, 2008. So Please make sure you get you renewal fees in on time.

**Ambassador at Large:** Steve was absent so there was no report.

**Safety report:** No report available.

**Correspondence:** Kathy stated that she had received a copy of the state meeting minutes and asked if anyone wanted to hear them. It was agreed that if anyone was interested, they could read the minutes to save meeting time. Jody and Dee were present at the meeting so they gave the highlights to the events that took place at the meeting. The main issue was the vote that was taken regarding the chapter that is in violation of State By-Laws. Chuck informed the chapter on what he would like to be done about the issue.

**My Space report:** ‘W’ reported that we have 357 friends on the site and 26 of them are ABATE chapters from around the world.

**Old Business:** Kathy and Dee both turned in the raffle tickets and money collected for the Spring Raffle. Dee informed the chapter that she had already deposited the money received from member Brad H. for his donation for tickets. Pauline and Michelle both mentioned about the donations they have for the raffle prizes. The Spring Raffle is off to a good start this year. Jesse then stated that the chapter should go to Lewiston and collect donations for prizes. The sooner we can ask for them the more likely we are to get one, since businesses have a clean slate as far as their books go. Kathy then asked who all would be interested in going. It was agreed that all interested parties would meet at Dee and James at 9:00 am and then go to Lewiston to meet up with the others at Rustys Café. The group would leave Rustys at 10:30 am. Lindsay motioned that the member who sold the most raffle tickets would receive a comp pass for the Spring Opener. James seconded the motion a vote was taken and passed. Bud turned in his old bankcard. Bud then informed the chapter that the year patches for the Friendship Run were ordered from Idaho Impressions and requested a check to pay for them. A total of 75 patches were ordered this year. Bud stated that the paperwork for the Awareness Run had been turned in to the appropriate authorities. Michelle then requested that we start referring to the ‘Awareness Run’ by its correct name—Awareness Rally. Chuck suggested that the State be asked to supply port-a-potties in the parking lot at Rustys so the people who attend do not have to utilize the restaurant or store next-door facilities. The chapter then spoke about the fact that the Awareness Rally is to be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008. This date would also be the date of our scheduled monthly chapter meeting. Everyone agreed to change our meeting date to May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2008 so those who wanted to attend the rally could. Dee then informed all who attended the meeting that the chapters request to have our chapter by-laws changed were approved by state at the last meeting. She said she would work on typing up a revised set of by-laws. Pauline said she would check if she had the by-laws on her computer to save Dee time in changing them. Dee then stated that she had gone to the Post Office to have herself put on for access to the box and to get a key for Chuck but she was informed that either Chuck or Pauline would have to do this since they were the ones listed for access to the box. Pauline and Dee agreed to do this before next meeting.

**New Business:** Don Graham suggested that for an event at the Friendship Run we hold a motor blowout pool. He was willing to find an old motor, make sure it runs, and drain all the fluids out and let people guess how long it would run. Jesse said he would check with the authorities to see if we would be allowed to hold such an event. Dee then read the minutes to the Spring Opener meeting that was held in Plummer at Gateway Café on Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The meeting was a productive one. A site should be picked for the 2008 Spring Opener by the end of this month. All other issues concerning the Spring Opener were set at that time. Due to costs the minutes to that meeting will not be included with these minutes. Those of you who are interested may request a copy from Dee. Dee then mentioned that the Secretary badge is MIA.

**Open Forum:** Lindsay turned in the monies she had collected for membership renewals and requested a check to send to state for their portion of the money.

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Chuck and he donated her winnings back to the chapter. Thank you Chuck!!

Last month, Jody won the Gag Gift. Lindsay won the gag gift this month. Now if she ever goes to Afghanistan she has spending money.

**Announcements:** Pauline is going to be a grandma again. Congratulations!!!! Michelle let everyone know that the Red Cross is having another blood drive on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2008. Bud let everyone know that the Quad City Cruisers are having their annual Willow House Charity Run on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and invited anyone who wanted to attend. It was discussed and decided that the chapter would like to get our members more involved with each other. One of the ways agreed on doing this was to send out birthday cards to members. So if you could please contact one of the officers with your birthday date we will get you on the monthly mailing list. Happy Birthday to: members, Bud on the 7<sup>th</sup>, Jesse on the 19<sup>th</sup>, and special person Thomas on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Our sympathies go out to our member Debbie Turner for the loss of her daughter who fought a long battle with a serious medical condition. Our hearts and prayers are still with you Debbie.

Our next meeting will be March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 and will be held at Dee and James' house in Orofino. It will start at 12:00 pm.

Jesse motioned that the meeting come to an end, Jody seconded the motion a vote was taken and the meeting ended at 2:06 pm.

Dee, Secretary  
Clearwater Chapter  
ABATE of North Idaho

**WITH THE WEATHER STARTING TO GET NICER  
REMEMBER TO RIDE SAFELY!!  
KEEP YOUR TIRES DOWN AND YOUR HEADS UP!!!**

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To All Clearwater Chapter Members

Next Meeting Time: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008  
12:00 pm NOON

Meeting Place: Dee and James' house  
In Orofino

For meeting directions call Dee or James