

ABATE OF WASHINGTON



Board of Directors Meeting

January 16th, 2010

Olympia Chapter is hosting this meeting at
VFW POST 318
2902 Martin Way E
Olympia, WA 98506
360-357-9255

Meeting starts at 11:00 AM

Lunch at 1:00 PM

VFW will be serving either a hamburger or
A chicken burger and coleslaw for a cost of \$4.00
There will be dessert, coffee and water provided.
Soft Drinks can be purchased at the bar

Doors open at 9:00 to prepare you are welcome to stay after
the meeting and socialize if you like.

If you need any information contact Darcy at 360-791-2412
Or John Calabrese at 360-229-1614
Or a [lil dab@msn.com](mailto:lil_dab@msn.com)

Directions:

1. **I-5 N or S OLYMPIA/SEATTLE -**
2. Take exit **#107/PACIFIC AVE.** toward **OLYMPIA** - go **0.5** mi
3. Turn Left on **PACIFIC AVE SE** - go **0.5** mi
4. Turn Right on **PATTISON ST SE** - go **0.2** mi
5. Turn Right on **MARTIN WAY E**
6. Arrive at **2902 MARTIN WAY E, OLYMPIA**, on the Left

ABATE of Washington



**Board of Director's
Meeting Agenda
January 16, 2010**

Sergeant at Arms: Mike McCarthy
Call To Order:
Pledge of Allegiance

| Roll Call | | | |
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| Coordinator | | Inland Empire | Olympia |
| Central Washington | | Kittitas County | Pacific County |
| Clark County | | Lewis County | Rat City |
| Columbia Gorge | | Mason County | Sky Valley |
| East Pierce County | | NE Washington | Sno King |
| Grant County | | North Kitsap | South King County |
| Grays Harbor | | North Olympic | Southwest |
| Independence Chapter | | North Snohomish | Tacoma |
| Eastside Deputy Coordinator | | Secretary | Ambassador at Large |
| Westside Deputy Coordinator | | Treasurer | NCOM Ambassador |
| A = Absent E = Excused P = Present T = Tardy V = Vacant | | | 23 + 6 = 29 |

Chaplains Blessing: Ranger Ric

Acknowledgments:

Agenda Changes: Motion to approve agenda with or without modifications,

Officer Reports :

Coordinator- Mick Gillispie

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Secretary - Rona Smith

- * Submitting October '09 BOD Minutes for approval,
- * Distribute Chapter Compliance Report

Treasurer – Koeta Imhof

- * Distribute Financial Reports
- * Distribute Quarterly Reports

Eastside SR. Deputy Coordinator Report & Event Reports – Ron Voss

International MC Show 09 – Mike Campbell

Black Thursday – 2010

Spring Swap Meet 2010 – Rona Smith, distribute advertising packs.

Westside Jr. Deputy Coordinator Report & Committee Reports - Dutch Phillips

Bylaws – Chris Dulas

Chaplin – Ranger Ric

Communications/Webmaster – Mike Middleton

Citation – Matt Copple

Legislative – Donnie Landsman

* Black Thursday preparation date – January 9 Performance Grill and then Rona's house.

Membership – Bruce Ramsey

* Current, Grace Period, & 90 day New Member Status , Total =

Newsletter – Chris Dulas

Parliamentarian – Darcy Mugartegui

Products – Roxy Kelly

Public Relations – Don Cuda

Quartermasters – Jay Frasier

Safety & Education – Lenny Pletsch

State Audit – Darcy Mugartegui

Ambassador At Large – Mike Campbell

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NCOM Ambassador – Chris Dulas

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Unfinished Business:

- 1) US Defender Program... proposed draft enclosed
- 2) Products Inventory List
- 3)

New Business:

- 1) State Executive Officer Elections – 2 year position
State Coordinator , Westside Deputy Coordinator , Ambassador at Large
Motion to close the floor to nominations, Motion to seat unopposed,
- 2) Spring Opener T-Shirt Art Work
- 3)

ECOM Meetings 201011:AM Locations TBA

February 27, March 21, May 23, June 13, August 29, September 19, November 21, December 18

BOD Meetings 2010 12:PM except October = 10AM

April 24th - Southwest & Clark County, July 31st – Kittitas, October 3rd - Mason Co.

Scheduled Events 2009-2010

December 11-13 International Motorcycle Show, Seattle – January 21st Black Thursday, Olympia –
March 28th Spring Swap Meet, Monroe – May 22nd Olympia – June 16-20th Spring Opener, Goldendale –
October ??? Fall Swap Meet, Enumclaw – October 1-2nd STEAM/Awards Dinner, Mason Co.

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Announcements:

Adjourn Time:

The ABATE of Washington Policy on Participation in the
Defenders Program in Washington State:
An Overview and Clarification

ABATE of Washington (ABATE) is a Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO) in Washington State. **ABATE of Washington will Endorse and Conditionally participate in USDefenders program as it applies to ABATE as an MRO in Washington State.**

As stated in the Confederation of Clubs (COC), Washington State Defenders program (Defenders), ABATE likewise recognizes the need to fight for, protect and preserve our Constitutional rights and civil liberties at both the state and federal levels. ABATE further recognizes that the Defenders program is an essential grassroots program, that promotes good motorcycle legislation and motorcycle rights, by mobilizing and coordinating manpower action efforts in Washington State. ABATE is structured to operate through a Board of Directors (BOD), to set agenda items; and through Legislative Affairs Officer (LAO) committee, to plan, create and promote proactive motorcycle legislation. ABATE communicates with other State and Federal MRO's, to share information; discover methods of legislation; watch for issues; design unified strategies; and the overall protect Motorcycle rights.

ABATE respectfully requests that the COC and Defenders program recognize the need for a true coalition, and ABATE of Washington's desire to be treated as a full member of the COC in regard to the Defenders program as it pertains to Legislative and Motorcycle rights.

In working with the Defenders program, ABATE has outlined the following participation policy (following the format of the Defenders Policy), that keeps in mind the structure and consistent integrity of the Washington State COG:

1. Basic Structure.

a. ABATE structure of Executive Committee (ECOM), BOD, and LAO Committee, will continue to be the official policy and manner of operation without change to titles. The voting members of the BOD (Chapter Coordinators, and ECOM members) will be called upon to vote through parliamentary procedure, to set the official agenda of ABATE. The State LAO is charged with maintaining consistency with the legislative agenda of ABATE, and coordinating with the Commander of the Defenders program. The State LAO, and the Coordinator of ABATE, will be the official point of communication with the Defenders Calls to Action (CTA), prepared by the Commander Defenders program, and will respond based upon that are relevance to ABATE as an MRO in Washington State. The relevant form letters and responses will be channeled as communications through official email from the Commander (or designee), to ABATE of Washington (legislative1@abate-wa.org ; coordinator@abate-wa.org).

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b. ABATE will disseminate approved CTA's to its membership through email and through the ABATE of Washington website. Each ABATE chapter is responsible for gathering information and legislative letters from their group and returning them to the State LAO (to be transferred to the Defenders Commander (or designee)).

c. The COC will not act as the agent of accountability enforcement. Honor and respect are given to those that honor and respect their agreements.

d. ABATE will maintain official position titles and expand responsibilities of those positions, as needed, to maintain consistency and integrity in regard to the Defender program.

2. Wearing of Defender patches is purely optional and a matter of choice.
3. ABATE will not specifically extend itself to authorities for the purpose of civil service or aid in natural disasters. Other states and federal requests may still occur, but participation would be optional.
4. ABATE chapters and members are not "Locked-In" to every request for action in case of political or moral opposition. This is a democracy and an abstention from a call to action will be respected.
5. ABATE, through a majority vote of the BOD, will have ongoing participation with the Defenders program. IE; ABATE reserves the right to appoint or change in-house titles, policies and involvement with the Defenders through a majority vote of ECOM or the BOD dependant on the issue, and inform the Defenders of any change to policy in regard to ABATE involvement. This also includes the right to structure and shape of involvement with the Defenders program as time goes on to reflect the concerns and realities of Washington State.
6. ABATE will participate in Legislative Affairs in coalition with the COC/Defenders, and will not be held responsible for funding the Defenders program in Washington State. Predictable expenses include mailings and photocopies of letters to legislators and bureaucrats. Any extraordinary expenses that are incurred shall be the responsibility of the COC. ABATE will assist in expenses only by request, mutual need, and with approval through normal ABATE of Washington procedures.

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