

Blue Knights Chapter Meeting, Sept 20, 2015

The Blue Knights Meeting of KC Metro Chapter was held on September 20, 2015, at Rick Haskins' home, 204 Fine Street, Excelsior Springs, Missouri. We met for a good lunch and fellowship. 19 Members and guests were in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Sergeant at Arms Dusty Wallace at 2:15PM.

President Rodney Phillips was not in attendance. The **meeting was chaired by Vice President Tim Hicks**. Scooter was thanked for the excellent meal and opening his home to the club. VP Hicks turned the meeting over to Treasurer Weidemeyer.

Richard Weidemeyer introduced two members of St. Joseph Chapter. They were here to request a partnership with our chapter for the 2017 Spring conference. No commitment was made at the conference and we have until November to give a notice to the MWRC that we want to have the

conference. St. Joseph has believed they have found a hotel that looks favorable. The hotel wants a 5K guarantee of money spent at the hotel. That does not seem a problem. We discussed the pros and cons of the conference. Richard Weidemeyer moved that we partner with the St. Joseph Chapter. Passed

Treasurers Report; Richard Weidemeyer reported we have money. He also reported David Elliot has been diagnosed with Pancreatic Cancer. They removed a tumor and had to have a second surgery. He is now home recovering. He talked with David yesterday and he indicated he was doing well..

Vice President's business: Tim spoke about last Thursday would be the anniversary of Steve Weinburg moving to the Heaven One Chapter. The ride to Jefferson City is was something that he had an interest in. There were several who rode to Jeff City this last year in the rain. Hicks gave those who rode a certificate for the accomplishment. It was a good thank you.

The membership present was reminded that we should consider nominations for officers. No one could remember if this was the month to make nominations so we will do it next month.

Cheryl Wallace advised that the question about International cresting issue had been resolved; we are grandfathered in our chapter cresting. There is no problem as it was recognized at conference.

Secretary's report was given by Richard Gooch. He reported on the annual Smithville Dam Run is next weekend, September 27th. I presented the information that we need to meet at the Quick Trip in Smithville at 6:30 AM and then go to the run site. Remember from past history it may be cool or darn right cold. It was urged that all who can come out please do so.

The topic was brought up that the club should sponsor a benefit ride for member and Quartermaster David Elliot. We as a club have the responsibility to take care of our members, our own. We should sponsor the

ride and in doing so shows support for our own. Jane Hill had been working on the plan and made the suggestion as a fore thought some destination and ending place information. She had been in contact with David about the issue. . Mark Adams said that we need to consider what fund raising for individuals. There was some talk about doing this with individuals and well as another comment was made about possible involvement with charity issues. Conversation determined if we work on the ride we do not ask for an amount per rider, instead only that donations would be welcome depending on the desires of the rider. After discussion it was moved that we work in cosponsor ship with the Kansas City Police. The motion was passed. Our point of contact will be Jane Hill; several members volunteered to assist. Road Captain Mark Adams had no report Social Director Al Pearson was not in attendance. Quartermaster David Elliot was not in attendance due to illness.

Safety Officer Stan Rogers was not in attendance.

Past President's report - Mike Berry reported Missouri has a Confederation of Clubs (COC) now. They have a meeting every so often and discuss MC legislation. Law enforcement groups were not invited to join. Outlaw groups are allowed membership. This is the same group that was involved in Waco with the shooting. According to Berry, there have been no unreasonable conversations at the meetings. He represents the Combat Vets. The place for our next meeting was not set, it will be determined and announced.

Respectfully presented

Richard Gooch, Secretary