

BLACKHAWK REGION BMW ASSOCIATION
MINUTES
August 19, 2010

Call to Order. Jeff Sluiter called the meeting to order. Eighteen members were present.

Minutes. Minutes of the July 2010 meeting were discussed. Michelle Widell's daughter's name was corrected as Alena.

Treasurer's Report. Gloria Misik indicated the current balance is . The only July expense incurred was for the chicken for the meeting at . The flea market financial report was presented with a net income of .

Correspondence. Jeff indicated he is receiving bank statements in the mail, but not much else. He received an e-mail from a gentleman requesting information about the club.

OLD BUSINESS.

Budget Committee. The budget committee has not met.

Ride Reports. Paul Misik led a ride to Mt. Horeb with lunch at the Grumpy Troll. Steve Frank thanked for his organization of the ride, the great weather and great roads. Dan Boon stated he was at the RA Rally in LaCrosse the last weekend of July. Tim Bradley shared information about the National Rally in Redmond, Oregon. He flew into Sacramento and rode from there. He taught a sport bike riders class during the rally. He said it was a nice rally location with large indoor arena for seminars. Mike Gunderson talked about the LT's first trip to Wyoming (2868 miles). Steve Frank stated that Gary, Jeff and Dennis attended the Rochelle Cruise Night at Dairy Queen with him.

NEW BUSINESS.

Election Meeting. Jeff Sluiter encouraged all to consider running for an office. Elections will be held at the October/Annual meeting at the Wooden Nickel in Stillman Valley on Sunday, October 17. The coals will be ready at 4:00 p.m.

Christmas Banquet. Several members volunteered to explore restaurants for this year's Christmas banquet, figuring on 30-40 people at around \$20.00 per person.

Recruitment. Tim Bradley expressed a concern about our dwindling membership numbers and asked what we could do to make people aware the club existed. Jeff Sluiter talks to people at the MSF courses. Jim Maier indicated we need to make a greater effort to retain new members and welcome them. Paul Misik passed around a new draft brochure and stated he would get printing costs. Jeff took out business cards and passed them around for people to carry and be able to pass out. Contacting the MOA for resources for recruiting; locating an Ambassador in our area; and attending seminars at the National Rally were suggested. Tim Bradley and Jim Maier will form a membership committee. Richard Alsiper said the German Club had made contact before about our club attending Oktoberfest. Marlisa Gunderson said she would pursue more information about Oktoberfest.

BMW Car. Paul Misik announced an event for BMW cars at the AMLS race the weekend of August 21 and 22.

Tax Status. Sam Smith inquired if our tax identification number had been located and what our status is. Jim Maier acknowledged that we have one. Gloria Misik reported that she has spoken with her personal tax accountant about the club's non-profit status.

Next Meeting. The September meeting will be held on Thursday, September 16 at Aunt Mary's on East State Street in Rockford. If you plan on eating arrive around 6:30 p.m.; meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Marlisa R. Gunderson