08/17/2025

1. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance – SAA 1409
2. Attendance/Roll Call/Sign-Swipe In – Quorum
3. Introductions-Guests
   1. David Baxter
   2. Philp Stegmeyer
   3. Seth Walls
   4. Tammy (Friend of Solo)
4. Sick Call/Member in need
   1. Skinner recovering from back surgery
5. Patch In
   1. Collin “Hooker” Sepnafski
6. Reports
   1. Commander
   2. XO
      1. Thanks for support for Sons charity
   3. Secretary - Approval of Previous Minutes
      1. July Minutes approved
   4. Treasurer - Finance Report
      1. **August**
         1. Bank Account
            1. Starting balance $21,608.33 (as of 7/20/2025)

Withdrawals

7/25/2025 - $600.00 - Cash withdrawal (Change for lakeshore ride)

7/29/2025 - $81.20 - US Cellular

7/30/2025 - $1600.00 - Heavy smoker (Lakeshore ride food vendor)

8/11/2025 - $976.64 - CEDARMI (8 x 122.08 rooms for Copper harbor ride)

8/12/2025 - $589.61 - Outboards (Dinner for Copper Harbor ride)

8/14/2025 - $1,984.40 - Quality cut meats (Meat raffle)

8/15/2025 - $20.00 - Member registration

Deposits

7/28/2025 - $193.75 - Square payment (Lakeshore rider registration)

8/11/2025 - $10,731.00 - Lakeshore ride & Meat raffle

* + - * 1. Ending balance $26,681.23 (as of 8/17/2025)
      1. Venmo
         1. Account balance $338.44
      2. Gas cards
         1. Cash $950.00
         2. Remaining $1,750.00 (35 x $50.00)
      3. Total assets: $29,719.67
      4. Lakeshore ride earnings total
         1. $4,967.05 ($5,513.02 in 2024)
      5. Meat raffle earnings total
         1. $6,190.00 ($9,280.00 in 2024).
  1. Public Relations Officer
     1. Absent
  2. Sergeant At Arms –
     1. Update on Diablos Lobos and Wheels of Soul
        1. Read Protocols on MC Relations
  3. Quartermaster – QM Absent
     1. UPDATE PATCH LOG
     2. Streamer for GA(?)
     3. Chapter Store
  4. Webmaster - Webmaster Absent

1. Standing Committee
   1. Chapter Ride ---- **AAR**
   2. Financial Assistance Advisory Board (FAAB)
      1. Nothing to Add
2. Old Business
   1. Back Patch retrieval – 201 file updates
3. New Business
   1. CDC Proposed Reduction from $150k to $75k
   2. CVMA® WI bylaws approved, Nationals Updated

eFreefall reported that next meeting for Bylaws is Aug 19, 2025

* 1. Discussion Rodgers Behavioral Health – Paddy
     1. Firewatch Foundation Program or sponsorship of Veteran
     2. $11,000
     3. Representative from Rodgers able to set up specific criteria for sponsorship
     4. First Proposal is the sponsorship
        1. Recommend up to $1000
     5. Second Proposal
        1. Sponsor with Rodgers a ride, significant ride, Iron Butt and then a short ride 100 miles next day
     6. Motion to donate $1000 for MH organization
        1. Motion not approved
     7. Motion to form MH Committee
        1. Would it be sponsorship
        2. Ride funds
        3. General donations for any organization
        4. How much funding
        5. Would be Part of FAB or seperate
           1. Solo XO
           2. Sis
           3. Trigger
           4. Paddy
           5. Kid
           6. Hooker
  2. Emails – Nat, WI, Chapter
     1. Recommend to start reading emails if you have'nt already
  3. Messanger App
     1. Conversation about seperate chats
     2. Hooker will do some research for Apps to ease chapter chats

1. Auxiliary
   1. Aux Weekend November 7-9
   2. 45-1 Ball October 4, 2025
   3. Aux Shopping November 1, 2025
2. Upcoming Events
   1. Ride for Zach Brodbeck August 23,2025
   2. 45-3 Sanctioned Ride September 6, 2025
   3. Fire and Iron Ride to Remember September 6,2025
   4. Fall Ride October 4th, 2025
   5. 2026 Chapter Ride to Sturgis
   6. 2026 National Meeting – June 2-6, 2026, Syracuse, New York
   7. 2027 National Meeting – Kansas City, MO
   8. 2028 National Meeting – Washington State
3. Good of the Order
   1. Next meeting is ***September 21, 2025,*** West Shore Sportsman Club
      1. 11267 Lakeshore Rd, Two Rivers, WI
      2. Shooting event $5-$10 range fee
4. Adjourn Meeting adjorned at 1535

**CDC Proposed Changes Summary** per WI SR

1. **Budget:** $75,000 (reduced from $150,000)
   1. Reduce the budget to 75K: That puts the CDC budget slightly below the Benevolent fund amount. It also frees up 75K in the general fund to be spent on needed improvements for the association (ie. more IT support for voting at Nationals, future plans to hire an event coordinator for Nationals, etc)

1. **Match:** 2x Chapter Donation (Reduced from current 3x Match)
   1. 2x Match and Match Cap of 5K: with reducing the budgeted amount this is appropriate as well. If we were to approve all requests submitted at a maximum of 5K this would give the ability to approve 15 CDC requests in full.

1. **Maximum Match:** $5,000 (Reduced from current $10,000 Max)
2. We need to make improvements within the association. That requires all of us to hard look at our processes and trim where we can to be a part of the solution. These reductions while allowing us to do that still support our National Purpose per the bylaws that "Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association, Inc. is organized exclusively for charitable and other purposes as allowed by 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, the making of distributions

to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Things to consider:

Just to be clear, reducing the budgeted amount does not give back $75,000 to the general fund. The total amount of the budget is all General Fund money; it just reduced the amount in the General fund that is allocated toward the CDC. It will, though, allow those funds to be spent elsewhere to better the organization as a whole.