

Gulf South BMW Owners Club Minutes

April 6, 2011 Meeting

President Bob Vaughan called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. at Rotolo's Pizzeria in Metairie. Vice-president Charlie O'Malley introduced guests: Breanne Cooper, Britta Levine and Rita O'Malley.

TREASURER'S REPORT:	Beginning balance 3/3/10 -	\$1107.58
	Cash received:	
	50/50 (3/3) :	12.00
	2011 Dues Collected	90.00
	Donation by Gary Waguespack	12.00
	Expenditures :	
	2011 BMW RA dues renewal	(15.00)
	Bob Vaughan - Door prize reimbursement	(72.83)
	New Balance	<u>\$1133.75</u>

MINUTES: A motion to approve last month's meeting minutes was made by Paul Vegas and seconded by Ken O'Malley. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

OLD BUSINESS: Dues are \$15.00 per year. Current membership is at about 40. With around 25 attending monthly meetings and activities, a majority of members are active. President Vaughan asked that members still try to encourage new members.

REPORTS ON RIDES/RALLIES:

- Ken O'Malley gave a report on this year's Daytona trip. He said that the crowds are smaller perhaps due to the economy. Also, the racing not as good. Tire wear has been a problem for the last few years. There was some rain and cold temps but all in all, good weather.

- Jim Markey reported on the ride to Bellingrath Gardens and the Naval Air Museum last weekend. The weather was ideal! Accommodations were good. Restaurants were also good. Member Eric Lowe did a fantastic job as the tour guide at the museum.

UPCOMING RIDES/RALLIES:

- The Mississippi Club rally is this weekend at Turkey Creek Water Park in Newton, MS. The rally fee of \$30.00 covers camping, breakfast for the weekend and Friday night's gumbo. Saturday evening dinner will be BBQ for \$10.00. BMW MOA will be there with their "Smart Trainer". BMW Motorcycles of Baton Rouge will do demo rides and are giving away a helmet.
- The Chicken Rally in Huntsville,AL is the last weekend in May.
- The RA National Rally is scheduled for the middle of July in the Wisconsin Dells area.
- The MOA National Rally will be in Pennsylvania this summer.

AMBASSADOR'S REPORT: Ken O'Malley reported on recent trip to Daytona and the Florida Keys.

DISCUSSION: Greg Beck offered this topic for discussion - "Lessons Learned but Seldom Followed".

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Hebert Cycles is now officially renamed - BMW Motorcycles of Baton Rouge.
- BMW Motorcycles of Baton Rouge will again allow us to have a swap meet at their location. It is scheduled for Saturday, April 16th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Members are encouraged to bring camping gear, bike parts and/or rider clothing that they'd like to get rid of.
- The April meeting will probably be held at the Abita Brew Pub on the north shore in Abita Springs. It will be on Wednesday, May 4th.

DOOR PRIZES and 50/50: Rita O'Malley won \$17.00 in the 50/50 drawing.

Roy Dauzat - a mini screwdriver set

Marc Levine - a mini screwdriver set

Brent Herold - a screwdriver set

Scott Campbell - a t-shirt

ADJOURNMENT By motion made by Jannie Markey and seconded by Roy Dauzat, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Members Present at the April 6, 2011 Meeting

**LUCAS BARRIOS, GREG BECK, ALDEN BIENVENU,
PEGGY BIENVENU, MICHAEL BORCHERS, SCOTT CAMPBELL,
BRUCE CONLAY, JULIE DAUZAT, ROY DAUZAT, KEN GREGOIRE,
JACKIE GRAFF, P. RICHARD GRANT, BRENT HEROLD,
BRIAN JOHNSON, MARC LEVINE, JANNIE MARKEY,
JIM MARKEY, CHARLES O'MALLEY, KEN O'MALLEY,
DENNIS THORNBURG, BOB VAUGHAN, JOAN VAUGHAN,
PAUL VEGAS, GARY WAGUESPACK**

Total number of attendees, members and guests: 27