

## WOMEN ON THE EDGE MEETING MINUTES\*

May 20, 2018

### **In attendance at the meeting at the Northwoods Brew Pub in Osseo:**

**Chapter Members:** Amy Roberts, Jo Johnson, Amy Nordahl, Linda Stone, Pat Kulig, Sue Hilber, Carol McCann and Deb Althaus

**Chapter Support Members:** Keith Barkalow and Chet Blum

**Guest:** WOW member Kathy Regnier (both Deb and Kathy arrived mid meeting)

The meeting Commenced at 11:55 a.m.

**Approve November Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Amy R., seconded by Amy N. to approve the minutes as presented and [published](#) passed on a unanimous voice vote

**Approve Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Jo Johnson reported that as of 3/31/18 our balance was \$1,029.18. 7 FunTest bandannas had been purchased and \$161 collected for S.A.V.E. (Suicide Awareness and Voice of Education), our 2018 charity. Motion by Linda, seconded by Carol to approve the report as presented passed on a unanimous voice vote.

**June Chapter Ride:** Linda volunteered to lead the June ride, as Carol is currently not able to do so, and changed the ride date to **Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**. Details to be determined and announced, but will likely be a tri-state (MN, IA & WI) "Funtest cemetery" ride to Lansing, leaving from the La Crescent Kwik Trip on Hwy 16. Final information will be emailed to all, published on our [chapter Facebook group](#) as an event and on our chapter web site at <http://womenontheedge.info/>

**September Chapter Ride:** Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, [River Falls Bacon Festival](#). Amy Nordahl will plan and lead a ride to the Bacon Festival in River Falls.

Linda noted that the [Gays Mills Apple Fest](#) is Sept 28-30 and could be the destination for Doreen and Dorothy's southern ride. She will contact them to see if that is what they are planning.

**Change Funtest Boundaries:** Following discussion regarding the boundary changes made last November as well as the contest dates, a motion by Amy R. and seconded by

Amy N. to eliminate any boundary restrictions and change the beginning date to coincide with the Women On Wheels® annual mileage contest (March 1<sup>st</sup>) passed on a unanimous voice vote. So FunTest photos can still be taken anywhere you ride, and the starting date will now be March 1<sup>st</sup> each year.

**Update:** Linda reported that so far our recently enacted chapter retention incentive of reimbursing new members for their 2<sup>nd</sup> year WOW renewal has paid for Leah Misch' renewal. Jo passed around a very nice thank you card she received from Leah, who couldn't be at the meeting because she had a speaking engagement nearby at a Blessing of the Bikes in Melrose. There are currently 4 more chapter members whose renewal will be eligible for reimbursement. Of course it will be another year (plus) before we know if this incentive accomplishes its' goal.

**Funtest:** Funtest bandanas were made available for purchase. Jo brought them to the meeting where 3 more were purchased by members and 1 by our guest Kathy from Green Bay for a total of 11 so far.

**Update on Amy Nordahl's "Forever 12" S.A.V.E. ride:** Amy N. thanked everyone for their support and explained how the primary purpose of her mission to ride Hwy. 12 from Michigan to Washington is to raise awareness of suicide prevention, especially youth suicide. The cash donations are greatly appreciated and will be put to good use by S.A.V.E. (Suicide Awareness and Voices of Education), but we can also help by sharing her "Forever 12" link with as many contacts as possible. The more sites that people share it on and the more clicks and likes it receives, the more exposure it will get and the more her goal to spread awareness will be accomplished. She has pages on the following sites:

Facebook: [Forever\\_12](#)

Twitter: @Forever.12.JT

Instagram: @JT.Forever.12

You Tube: @Forever.12

<https://save.donordrive.com/campaign/Forever-12>

**WOW WOW Reminder:** Whether you stay at the host lodge or not, and there are many options available, all were encouraged to attend. The dates are August 3-5.

**New business:**

**Carol McCann** thanked everyone for all the good wishes during her recent health scare. We were all so glad her recovery is progressing and that she could be there.

**Amy N.** told us about her opportunity to meet Faith Ahlers on the around the world tour/race she is doing along with women from all over the globe. Here is a link to the live tracker website for the women's race around the world that she told us about.

<https://www.grizzlyraceteam.ch/2018/05/04/live-tracker-womens-world-record/>

You can also follow Faith (Representing the USA) on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/faithgrizzlyraceteam/>

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** at 12:40 by Amy R., seconded by Linda, passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by Chapter Director Linda Stone

\*These minutes may be amended or approved as is at the November 2018 chapter meeting