

*The Freedom Riders of Indiana*

*Chapter 4*

*Meeting Minutes for: August 20, 2022*

**Members Present:**

Belle	Papa
Red	Delay
Bear	Angel
Odie	Wings
Panther	

**Guests:**

Kim Matuzek (Tuz)	Rachel Gambrel (Grace)
Anthony Delvecchio (Skull)	Gavin Mottweiler (Willy)
Nancy Adamson (Nana)	Bill Gibson (Rebel)
Elyse Adamson (Trippy)	Kenneth Suhr (Taxman)
Josh Adamson (Country)	Cameron Riddle (Reaper)
Ron Adamson (Ol Man)	Sheena Riddle (June Bug)
Richard Hershey (Candyman)	Tina Hershey (Kisses)
Creed Gambrel	

**Meeting Called to Order by:** Odie (VP)

Pledge Recited

Prayer given by Taxman

Minutes from previous meeting kind of forgotten to be reviewed. I am sure all would have accepted...

### **Treasurer's Report**

Deposits: \$773 cash and 2 checks \$33.47 CC, total deposit of \$806.47

Balance Checking: \$1794.07

Balance Savings: \$282.59

Expenditures: \$773 check no 1180 to Officer Noah Shavanez family

Motion to accept report by Bear, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Red, all in favor, motion passed

**Old Business:** Chapter 4 ride. Everyone thought the ride went very well given the short amount of time to plan.

### **New Business:**

1. Biggs has announced his retirement via Text to Odie, which was shown to group, he has also nominated Odie for President and Bubbles for Vice President.  
Motion to accept retirement of Biggs and nominations given made by Angel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bear, all in Favor, motion passed.
2. New Membership Applications: Rebel, Rn, Taxman, Mutt, Skull, Tuz, Candyman, Kisses, Reaper, June Bug, Trippy, Country, Ol Man, Nana.  
Posse: Grace, Jr Posse: Willy  
Motion to accept all applications made by Belle, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Angel, all in favor, motion passed
3. Open officer Positions:
  - a. Sergeant At Arms: Nomination for Red made by Bear, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Angel, All in favor, motion passed
  - b. Lieutenant: Nomination for Taxman made by panther, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bear, all in favor, motion passed
  - c. Historian: Nomination for RN made by Bear, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Angel, All in Favor, Motion passed
  - d. Recruiter: Nomination for Reaper made by Bear, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Angel, All in Favor, Motion passed

- e. Public Relations Officer: Nomination for Tuz made by Bear, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Red, all in Favor, motion passed
- 4. Amendments: Our constitution is a living document; any changes have to be made by amendments. These are the amendments discussed and voted on at this meeting
  - a. Creation of Public Relations Officer Position. PR Office is: This person is the Guardian of the group's reputation and the manager of its public image. The person that is responsible for all advertisements and information released to the public. Primary responsibilities include soliciting and maintaining sponsorships and other support for the group. They organize activities and events and recruit volunteers to help at said functions. Prepare all written materials to support fund-raising efforts. They are responsible for finding our chosen charity/veteran/etc. for us to help/support/sponsor (these do not always have to be the same). They increase the awareness of the group and encourages and engages donors through online/electronic/face to face communications and events.
  - b. Probationary Period: It was discussed and agreed upon that instead of a probationary period, there would be a stipulation put in. To become a full patch member, an applicant must engage in at least one ride with one of the groups officers and that officer must sign off on the member. This is to ensure the safety and knowledge of the rider. This may take several rides especially if the rider is new or unsure how to ride in a group setting.
  - c. Bank Account: No two members, residing in the same household or family, and be on the account jointly

All amendments were discussed at the meeting and terms, as stated above, were agreed upon by all in meeting. Motion to accept these amendments made by Wings, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Angel, and all were in favor, Motion passed

- 5. 4 years of missing minutes for 501c3 we need to post at least bank statements, other than the 2 years for Covid. Angel will be requesting bank statements from the bank for those missing 4 years (2017 to 2021).
- 6. After meeting with other TFR groups in the State, Odie was approached about uniforming all cuts. This would entail no patches above or below the rockers. After discussion, the group decided that our cuts would stay as is since that is a lot of space to lose out on for patches. Motion by Bear to stay the same, 2<sup>nd</sup> by angel, all were in favor, motion passed

7. T shirts, hats, swag, brought up by Odie. We like the idea of T shirts with TFR emblem on back. Angel made motion for T Shirts, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bear, all in favor.
8. Angels' sister does patchwork, motion made by Bear, to send files once received from DKM, to Angel's sister for pricing. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Belle, all in favor
9. Odie advised that we have a member update form, so if anyone needs to complete it for an address/phone number change
10. Events: Indiana Jeepsters wants to partner with TFR 4 to do a benefit ride that will go to Friends of Fred, helping the homeless. Angel brought up about doing Rumble's again, reinstate yearly Christmas party, annual TFR camping trip. All good ideas to further discuss
11. August 21, 2022, some members of TFR 4 will be riding in a procession to Joyner's restaurant in Elwood for the mural dedication ceremony for Officer Noah's family. At that time, the check will be presented to the family.

**Important Dates/Event:**

**Next Meeting:**

September 17, 2022 @ 5:30 PM

Motion to adjourn made by Angel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Belle, all in favor, Motion carried.