

# Rig Riders Houston Chapter Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2024 – Ranch 115 – Hempstead, Texas

## Closed Meeting Topics:

### Brandon Davidson (Brando) President

- Brando opened the meeting thanking our brothers from Midland and Tyler who are in attendance today.
- Thanks to Diablo for hosting and all he does to put together a great party. Happy Anniversary
- 50/50 tickets are for sale
- Discussed Proposed By Law Changes which will be voted on in January:

Proposal 1 – Changing the prospect period from 6 months to 12 months. Some folks feel that doing this would hurt us growing new/good members.

Proposal 2 – Changing the minimum meeting requirement from 4 to 6. We discussed amending this proposal and adding that the 4 minimum meetings is our hardline. If you cannot make this minimum amount you will have a sit down with the officers and possibly lose your membership rights. Call Ins no longer count.

- Flaco sends his regrets for missing the meeting. He is in Abu Dhabi for work.
- Patticake was given the floor to discuss current officer nominations. President – Flaco, Vice President – Juan Wayne and Lefty, Treasurer – Dr. Phil, Secretary – Wiked. If anyone wants to run or submit a nomination please get with Patticake.

### Juan Campos (Juan Wayne) Treasurer

- Juan Wayne read aloud the Chapter's Financials.
- Anyone is encouraged to come up and review the account information, but no copies will be given out

### Chris Keown (Lefty) Secretary

- Reviewed minutes from October's club meeting at Thistle Draftshop.
- Motion was made by Yankee to adopt the second came from Sonny.
- List of Individuals who called in that missed November's meeting were:
  - Taz
  - Hillbilly
  - Dirty D
  - Strut
  - Flaco
  - Sarg

## National News

- Satch gave a brief 2025 rally update. We have a committee together and are planning on going live early January with raffle, logo, and registration details. Next weekend the committee will be traveling to look at a new venue. We will be asking questions about quiet time, internet quality, facilities available just to Rig Riders. If you are not on the committee and have questions about the event please reach out to Satch.
- Satch thanked all the chapters in attendance at the meeting today.

SAA Update: Viejo spoke on turning keys over if you are drinking too much. If a member asks you for your keys give them up without an argument or fight.

## Open Forum:

- Rocket inquired about how Wildcatters stay informed of club news if they are not on all the threads. Topsy recommended that all minutes of meeting be distributed to the club. It was decided that all adopted minutes will be uploaded to the Rig Rider Website Member's Only Section. Lefty has the action to work with Juan Wayne to get them uploaded.
- Topsy discussed the teams that Rig Riders get when sponsoring an event. We should not be using the free teams. If we want to participate we should be buying a team and putting those proceeds towards our donation above and beyond being a sponsor.
- Rocket talked about Wildcatters and stated that they report to the National Chapter and are only expected to attend the Rally and the January meeting.
- Senior talked about the COC Meeting the previous week. Thanked Suz and Budman for attending. He also discussed the Texas Defenders meeting and how they are looking to increase attendance.
- Limey discussed how Senior travels to represent Rig Riders at these meetings all over the US and incurs lodging and travel costs that he has been handling himself. He proposed that Rig Riders help cover his hotel expenses and Chopper second the proposal. Satch clarified what Senior's expenses are (hotel, registration, fuel, meals) and stated that they should be expensed by the club. Topsy stated that since Senior is representing all chapters at these meetings then National will handle any potential reimbursement.
- Hotshot gave an update on the Christmas Party. Roadhouse 2920 is the selected venue for the party. It will be December 14<sup>th</sup>. Party will be from 6:00PM to 11:00PM with an afterparty at Mo's Irish Pub in Cypress, TX. Please register before the 7<sup>th</sup> of December for proper food planning and price will be \$30 to get in. Steak will be served but if you need something different please reach out to Hotshot. We will be doing a white elephant again, please bring a gift in the \$25-30 range. Hotel Rooms are available near Mo's should you need a place to stay and details will be put out on the threads.
- Gator Technologies will be the title sponsor for the Christmas Party. Dr. Phil offered to be the Door Prize sponsor.
- Tyler update: Dr. Phil donated a gun to them to raffle off and raise money.
- Midland update: No pending news. Thanks for the hospitality and please come visit us whenever you can.
- Upcoming Events: Family Dinner will be Saturday December 7th at Pedro's in Conroe. This will be a celebration of Suz and Dirty D's birthdays. Starts at 7pm and will go as long as we like. Suz will send out hotel information for those who need it.
- Rocket ride was awesome. Thanks to Rocket for hosting us and all he did.

- Snowdrop Update: Patticake told us she is doing it again this year. We discussed sponsorship for 2024. Brando proposed \$2,500. Yankee proposed \$5,000 which was second by Sonny. Vote took place and \$5,000 passed.
- Please buy gun squares today so we can raffle off the pistol and AR-15.

Next Meeting Location: Christmas Party at 2920 Roadhouse

**End of Closed Meeting**