

**ABATE of Illinois E Board Meeting – Feb 18, 2006**

**These minutes approved on Mar 18, 2006**

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**Executive Board of Directors - Regular Business Meeting – February 2006**

Meeting Location – Brookens Hall  
University of Illinois at Springfield, One University Plaza  
Springfield, Illinois 62703

**Executive Board Members Present**

1. State Coord.- Jim 'Legs' Korte
2. Secretary-Linda Pasetti-Olson
3. Treasurer-Julie Bacon
4. Office Manager-Pauli Ward
5. Legislative Coord – Dan Harper-  
Arrived at 10:35 AM
6. Safety & Ed Coord-Paulette Pinkham
7. Activities Coord.-Carl Shamhart
8. Products Coord.- Laura Mayer
9. Public Relations Coord-Deb King
10. Bike Raffle Coord-Gus Miller
11. NE Region Co-Coord.- Rick  
'RO'Olson
12. NW Region Co-Coord.-Todd 'Turk'  
Nichols
13. EC Region Co-Coord.- Jeff Marsh
14. WC Region Co-Coord.- Steve 'Rat'  
Surratt & Rodney Stage
15. SE Region Coord-Rick 'Doc'Jones
16. SW Region Coord-Bob Myers

3. NE Region Co-Coord - Mike Ryan
4. NW Region Co-Coord.- Roger Larson
5. EC Region Co-Coord.- Sharilyn  
Kibler-Russell

**Others Present**

1. Becky Snyder-Freeport
2. Crystal Shamhart-Ass't  
Activities/Crossroads
3. Dave White-Northern Illinois
4. Paula White-Northern Illinois
5. Patty Saxer-Tri-Co
6. Rachel Hayes-Tri-Co
7. Bridgette Norton-Tri-Co
8. Robert Stambaugh-Tri-Co
9. Chris Norton-Tri-Co
10. Dave Acker-Tri-Co
11. Larry Haun-NW Suburban
12. Ed Show-Piasa-Gateway
13. Razor Swinda-Freedom by Choice
14. Barb Swinda-Freedom by Choice
15. Fred King-Freedom Riders
16. Terry Hopkins-Dukane

**Executive Board Members Absent**

1. Ass't State Coord.- Ed Domine
2. Newsletter Coord.-Ray Heck

**Note - All references to the Executive Board herein, will be as 'E Board', and all references to the State Board of Directors will be as 'BOD'.**

**Motions to accept minutes, reports and adjournment are not numbered.**

**10:00 AM - Call to Order**

State Coord. Jim 'Legs' Korte called the meeting to order. Quorum was present. Pledge of allegiance was said. Recording of the meeting was announced.

**Approval of Jan 2006 E Board Minutes**

**Legal Services Lawsuit** – 'Motorcycle Rider Training fund' was changed to 'Cycle Rider Training fund'.

**Legal Services Contract** – 'Contract' was changed to 'Plan'

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**Products Coord** – Check amount of ‘ \$800’ was corrected to ‘\$879’.

Heading ‘**Certificate of Deposit Acquisition** ‘ was added on page 5 of 8 to CD discussion section.

Spelling, numbering & grammatical errors were corrected

**WC Region** – ‘Collinsville Swap Meet’ was changed to ‘Springfield Swap Meet’.

**Treasurer Report** – Treasurer reported some 990 information incorrectly last month and asked that the minutes be changed to reflect the following:

- A 990 from Freebird was received by her on Sunday night after the E Board meeting
- Prairieland and Central do not turn in 990s since they file their taxes separately
- Hubbard Trail, NW Suburban, So Suburban and Blackhawk returned their 990 forms, but had errors
- Union Jack had returned their form on time

**Rick ‘Doc’ Jones moved that information reported by the Treasurer at the Jan E Board meeting be changed to reflect the information presented today. Paulette Pinkham seconded. Motion was carried without opposition. # E2006-014**

**Carl Shamhart moved to approve the Jan minutes as amended. Bob Meyers seconded, and the motion carried with opposition from Paulette Pinkham.**

**10:13 AM - Old Business**

**MRF Funding**

In response to a statement, it was clarified that a \$5,000 pledge for 2006 was made at Meeting of the Minds in Sept and approved by the BOD in Oct. No further action was taken on recommending more funds for the MRF in 2006.

Sponsorship for Heartland STEAM event was addressed. Attorney Rod Taylor will sponsor the lunch. A check from an attorney on the ABATE of Illinois, Inc. Non-Preferred vendor list, made out to “Heartland STEAM” was offered to sponsor the dinner meal. Discussion ensued on accepting the check. STEAM is actually a fundraising event for the MRF, being hosted by ABATE of Illinois, Inc. It was suggested that the check be re-issued to either the MRF, or thru another SMRO, or the hotel, because ABATE of Illinois cannot accept the check, since no ‘Heartland STEAM account’ actually exists.

**Document Control Policy**

Motion # E2006-004 [*Sharilyn Kibler-Russell motioned to add a procedure to the Document Control Policy that allows a fee to be charged for additional requested copies of minutes.*] was postponed from January. Ed Domine was asked to draft a proposal for the policy change and present it at the Feb E Board meeting. Ed is absent today and did not send a draft of his suggestions. **Carl Shamhart moved to postpone further discussion on revision of the Document Control Policy until the March E Board meeting. Dan Harper seconded, and the motion was carried without opposition. # E2006-015**

**Recommendation to Suspend ABATE Membership**

Motion # E2006-002 [*Jeff Marsh motioned that the E Board recommend to the BOD that the ABATE membership of Dave White (Northern Illinois chapter president) be suspended for five years*] was postponed from January.

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No action taken, motion was left postponed.

**AMA Dist #17**

State Coord. Jim ‘Legs’ Korte still has not received information he requested from the Dist #17 board, pertaining to Dist 17’s expectations of ABATE and board duties of the rep appointed by ABATE to that board.

**Lobbyist Contract**

Office Manager stated that she does not have a signed copy of the 2006 contract in her files. State Coord. will check on who has the original signed contract.

**Steve ‘Rat’ Surratt moved to close Old Business. Todd ‘Turk’ Nichols seconded and a unanimous vote carried the motion.**

**10:30 AM - New Business**

**J & P Affiliate Program**

Paperwork was distributed to the E Board on the affiliate program. It was stated that the ABATE accountant and George Tinkham has reviewed the program. Discussion ensued on usage of the name of ABATE of Illinois, Inc. on the J & P website. It was clarified that the name will not appear anywhere on the J & P website and ‘spam’ should not be a problem. **Dan Harper moved to recommend the BOD accept the J & P Affiliate program. Carl Shamhart seconded. Motion was carried without opposition # E2006-016**

**Membership Application**

Suggestion was received from members at the state seminar to update graphics on the state membership application. Two other E –Board members stated that they had also received requests to put a generic sport bike on the application. Office Manager Pauli Ward stated that about 5,000 state applications are printed for each BOD meeting. **Rick ‘Doc’ Jones motioned to add a sport bike graphic to the state membership application. Rick ‘RO’ Olson seconded. Motion was carried without opposition. # E2006-017** Pauli Ward will bring sport bike graphics to the next state BOD meeting for review.

**2007 State Seminar.**

Ass’t State Coord Ed Domine has reserved tentative dates for the 2007 State Seminar at the Northfield Inn, but the contract has not yet been signed. **Paulette Pinkham moved approve Jan 19, 20 & 21, 2007 as the dates for the 2007 State Seminar. Bob Meyers seconded. Motion was carried without opposition. # E2006-018**

**Use of ABATE Logo**

Request had been made by a Kishwaukee member for permission to display the state ABATE logo on his racecar. No sponsorship by ABATE of Illinois, Inc. was to be assumed or included. **Deb King moved to let the BOD decide on giving permission for the state ABATE logo to be displayed on a racecar. Pauli Ward**

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**seconded. Motion was carried without opposition. # E2006-019**

**Poster**

Products Coord Laura Mayer asked for input on a poster she would like to reproduce for sale. General theme of the poster is the negative result of apathy. Suggestion was made to add 'Inc' to ABATE of Illinois on the poster.

**BOD Quorum**

Treasurer Julie Bacon stated that seven active chapters have still not returned correct 990 information forms for 2005 and will not be allowed to vote today at the BOD meeting. The chapters are Apple Creek, Heartland, Jasper Co, Salt Creek, St Clair Co, NW Suburban, and Hubbard Trail. Discussion ensued on the current number of chapters in the state. Wayne Co, Illinois River and Pike Co are no longer functioning as chapters, but their information will still be needed to file ABATE's 2005 taxes. It was established that 30 other chapters would be needed for quorum at the BOD meeting.

**Swap Meet Procedures**

Discussion ensued on who is responsible for coordinating publicity on the ABATE swap meets, as there had been some confusion and miscommunication with the Springfield event. Better coordination of duties, thru the WC Region Coordinators, would be needed in the future to prevent duplication of efforts. The Collinsville Swap Meet procedure manual has not been completed yet, due to a lack of information on the event. SW Region Coord Bob Myers stated that health issues will prevent him from working at the April Swap Meet. State Coord. Jim 'Legs' Korte will assist Bob with the swap meet.

**Safety & Ed Video**

A suggestion was made at the state seminar to correct errors on the new safety and education video, and a follow-up letter was e-mailed to the E Board. Per the letter, it was recommended that three major safety violation errors be corrected before the video was distributed further. Further discussion ensued.

**Springfield Police Bike Raffle**

The Springfield Police Dept. has asked to purchase a booth at the ABATE swap meet and sell tickets on their bike raffle. Since this would conflict with the ABATE bike raffle tickets also being sold there, clarification on policy was asked. No written policy was cited and E Board opinion was divided on what should be done. No motions were made since the event will be held tomorrow, making it too late to reply to the request.

**Lincoln Circuit Ride**

Proposed Sept dates for the Lincoln Circuit Ride were given. **Rick 'Doc' Jones moved that the ride be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in September. Jeff Marsh seconded.** Major events are planned for the Springfield area every weekend in Sept and their impact on the ride was discussed. **Carl Shamhart moved to**

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**postpone the motion. Rodney Stage seconded. The motion to postpone was carried without opposition. # E2006-020**

**Rodney Stage moved to close New Business. Carl Shamhart seconded and a unanimous vote carried the motion.**

**11:48 AM - Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned on a motion made by Rick 'RO' Olson. Jeff Marsh seconded and a unanimous vote carried the motion.**

**Attachments (distributed at meeting)**

**Feb E Board Agenda**

**J & P Affiliate Program info**

**Safety & Ed Suggestion Letter**

**Treasury Report (Copies available from state office)**