

A.B.A.T.E. OF IL, INC.-Board of Directors Meeting June 14, 2008

These minutes approved August 23, 2008

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Board of Directors meeting June 14, 2008
Meeting Location-Brookens Auditorium
University of Illinois at Springfield, One Plaza
Springfield, IL 62703

EXECUTIVE BOARD PRESENT

1. State Coord. -Jim "Legs" Korte
2. Assist. State Coord. -Ed Domine
3. Secretary-Paulette Korte
4. Legislative-Dan Harper
5. Safety & Ed.-Elizabeth Kren
6. Products-Laura Mayer
7. Newsletter- Deb King
8. Public Relation- Carleen Grant
9. Activities-Crystal Shamhart-came in late

10. Activities-Carl Shamhart
11. Office Manager-Pauli Ward
12. NE Region-Rick "RO" Olson
13. NE Region-Mike Ryan
14. NW Region-Mike Myers
15. EC Region-Stacey Rigsby
16. WC Region-Steve "Rat" Surratt
17. SE Region-Rick "Doc" Jones
18. SW Region-Bob Myers

EXECUTIVE BOARD ABSENT

1. Treasurer-Julie Bacon-sick
2. Bike Raffle-Gus Miller-event
3. Dick "Heavy" Carr-work

4. WC Region-Randy Hays-none
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CHAPTERS PRESENT

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| 1. Arrowhead Valley | 15. Freebird | 30. Peo-Taz |
| 2. Backroads | 16. Freedom By Choice | 31. Piasa-Gateway |
| 3. Black Diamond | 17. Freedom Riders | 32. Shawnee Hills |
| 4. Blackhawk | 18. Freedom Valley | 33. Shoal Creek |
| 5. Central Illinois | 19. Freeport | 34. South Suburban |
| 6. Chicago | 20. Fulton County | 35. Southern DuPage |
| 7. Children of the Corn | 21. Heart of Illinois | 36. Southern Illinois 27 |
| 8. Crawford County | 22. Heartland | 37. St. Clair |
| 9. Crossroads | 23. Iron Riders | 38. Starved Rock |
| 10. Dukane | 24. Kaskaskia Valley | 39. Thunder Rock |
| 11. Eastern Illinois | 25. Kishwaukee Valley | 40. Twin Rivers |
| 12. Embarras Valley | 26. Lincolnland | 41. Westgate |
| 13. Ford County | 27. Lost Creek | 42. Will County |
| 14. Franklin County | 28. Midstate | |
| | 29. Open Roads | |

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| 1. Apple Creek | 12. Northern Illinois |
| 2. Beaucoup Bottoms | 13. Northwest Suburban |
| 3. Big River | 14. Old River |
| 4. Brothers of Grundy | 15. Pathfinders |
| 5. Flatlanders | 16. Prairieland |
| 6. Great River | 17. Salt Creek |
| 7. Heritage Trail | 18. Southern Freedom |
| 8. Hubbard Trail | 19. Tri-County |
| 9. Jasper County | 20. Union Jack |
| 10. Lamoine Valley | 21. Wabash Valley |
| 11. Liberty | |

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:00pm with the State Coordinator Jim "Legs" Korte leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the minutes:

Motion made by Crossroads to approve minutes, Freeport 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Old Business:

Corporate Structure postponed.

Motion made by Freeport to approve the Corporate Structure diagram, Kaskaskia Valley 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed with the following opposition: South Suburban, Will County. BOD2008-31.

Generic By-laws: Generic by-laws for purpose of chapter usage as a guideline.

Motion made by Lincolnland to accept the generic by-laws as written, Freebird 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2008-32.

Motion made by Lost Creek to close Old Business, Freeport 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

New Business:

Nominations:

State Coordinator: Westgate, South Suburban nominated Ed Domine, accepted

Heart of Illinois, Freebird nominated Jim "Legs" Korte, accepted

Assistant State Coordinator: Kishwaukee Valley, Freeport nominated Mike Myers, accepted

Treasurer: Freebird, Crossroads nominated Julie Bacon, accepted

Secretary: Blackhawk, Heart of Illinois nominated Paulette Korte, accepted

Legislative Coordinator: Freebird, Freedom Valley nominated John "Hunter John" Harris, accepted

Safety & Education: Blackhawk, Freeport nominated Elizabeth Kren, undecided

Newsletter: Piasa-Gateway, Kaskaskia Valley nominated Roni Scroggins, accepted

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Lost Creek nominated Deb King declined

Piasa-Gateway, South Suburban nominated Linda Olson

Public Relations: Heart of Illinois, Freebird nominated Carleen Grant, accepted

Activities: Freeport, Freebird nominated Carl & Crystal Shamhart, undecided

Products: Piasa-Gateway, St. Clair nominated Terri VanHuss, accepted

Bike Raffle: Blackhawk, Open Roads nominated Gus Miller

NE Region: Southern DuPage, South Suburban nominated Mike Ryan, Brian Wendheldt, ½ accepted

NW Region: Blackhawk, Starved Rock nominated Scott Gerke, accepted

EC Region: Heart of Illinois, Heartland nominated Stacey Rigsby, Dick "Heavy" Carr, ½ accepted

WC Region: Lincolnland, Freebird nominated Steve "Rat" Surratt, Randy Hays ½ accepted

SE Region Crossroads, Franklin County nominated Rick "Doc" Jones, accepted

SW Region: Kaskaskia Valley, Piasa-Gateway nominated Bob Myers, accepted

Budget:

The budget proposal has been passed out to the chapters to take back to their chapters to bring back at the August Board meeting per the budget process.

Annual review:

Annual review of chapter tax exemption:

Recommendation to the Board of Directors is to have the 2 chapters show proof that they are in compliance in exemption filing.

Motion made by Heart of Illinois to accept the recommendation that Central and Prairieland show proof of filing per the exemption, Freeport 2nd, no discussion, motion passed. BOD2008-33

WC Region:

Recommendation To the Board of Directors that a letter is sent to Rodney Stage to appear at the August meeting to answer questions regarding money issues for possible sanction.

Motion made by Blackhawk to accept the recommendation to send a letter to Rodney Stage, Freeport 2nd,no further discussion, motion passed with the following opposition, Peo-Taz. BOD2008-34.

Brothers of Grundy: Article V sec.7 Taxes

Officers of Brothers of Grundy were notified regular and certified mail to be in attendance at this meeting for failing to comply with tax filing.

No one is present for the chapter at this meeting.

Motion made by Kaskaskia Valley that the chapter file a monthly 990 with the state treasurer starting now for one year, 2nd Open Roads, discussion, motion passed with the following opposition, Chicago, Crawford County, Crossroads, Franklin County, Freedom Valley, Starved Rock, Westgate. BOD2008-35.

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Motion made by Blackhawk that a letter of notification of the action on the chapter be sent to the membership by the state secretary, Heart of Illinois 2nd, no further discussion. Motion passed. BOD2008-36.

Motion made by Lincolnland that the Saturday of the State Party all Region Coordinators get together for a session to talk about membership and brainstorm, Freebird 2nd, discussion, motion passed. BOD2008-37

Motion made by Lost Creek to close New Business, Twin Rivers 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Break 2:06pm

Resumed from break at 2:26pm

Viewing of the new Safety & Education video:

Motion made by Blackhawk to bring back at the next board meeting with corrections and full viewing of the video, Westgate 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2008-38.

Officers Reports:

Legislative: Dan Harper-see attachments:

Dan reported on all activity that is included in the written report.

Report accepted as given.

Pac Reports:

ABATE-PAC: Razor gave verbal report of activity with the ABATE-PAC. Financial report attached.

FED/PAC: Jim Conley gave a verbal report of FED/PAC activity. Financial and meeting report attached. A description of chapter donations also attached. Reports accepted as given.

Safety & Education: Elizabeth Kren that the ABATE Safety Video was found on U-tube without the organizations permission. The video was removed.

Motion made by Freeport that the video not be posted on U-tube, Heart of Illinois 2nd, discussion, motion passed. BOD2008-39.

Report accepted as given.

Products: Laura Mayer reported that she has some yard signs available as requested at this meeting. Shirts will be available at the state party in bright orange and yellow.

Report accepted as given.

Treasurer: Julie Bacon not present no report given.

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State Office: Pauli Ward reported that state party tickets available today for anyone. Please mail tickets back in ASAP. Raffle tickets, applications available at every meeting.
Report accepted as given.

Assistant State Coordinator: Ed Domine reported on the status of the plates as to if they are going to be permanent and not in the budget.
Report accepted as given.

Public Relations: Carleen Grant reported that proclamations are still being turned in and worked well this year. Media coverage at the rally went well.
Report accepted as given.

Newsletter: Deb King reported that articles are due now and will be out to bed on Sunday.
Report accepted as given.

Secretary: Issues concerning the minutes were addressed.
Thank you to Deb King and Pauli Ward for covering the minutes at the last BOD meeting.

Motion made by Freeport that the state secretary write and update the by-laws and policy and procedure addressing the minutes to be submitted to the by-law review committee, Heart of Illinois 2nd, discussion, motion passed. BOD2008-40.
Report accepted as given.

Activities: Carl Shamhart reported that not all release forms were turned in at the Freedom Rally. State Party lineup will start at the HS again this year.
Report accepted as given.

Bike Raffle: Gus Miller not present no report.

Region Reports:

NE: Rick "RO" Olson, nothing to report for the region.

NW: Mike Myers reported that there will be a get together at the state party on Saturday at 4pm.

EC: Stacey Rigsby reported that the region party is this weekend.

WC: Fulton County Rodeo will also be the region party this year.

SE: Rick "Doc" Jones reported that the region meeting will be at the State party on Saturday starting at 11am.

SW: Bob Myers reported that the profits from the Slider Gilmore presentation were donated back to the organization.
Region reports accepted as given.

Panel Reports:

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MRF Rep: Jim "Legs" Korte reported that the new application has been updated for use. The YAS will also be in this month's newsletter for viewing. Thank you to Paul Truax and Sandy Barnett for the MRF fundraiser on the Freedom Rally weekend.

D-17 Rep: Stacey Rigsby reported that changes are still being made in the AMA.

DNR Rep: No report given not present.

MAP Rep: Nothing to report.

Off-road: Lots of activity going on across the state.

Bylaw: no by-laws to report on at this time.
Pane reports accepted as given.

Membership drawing & Adjourn.

Adjournment at 3:58pm.

Respectfully submitted
Paulette Korte
State Secretary