

A.B.A.T.E. OF IL, INC. Executive-Board Meeting November 15, 2008

These minutes approved as amended December 13, 2008

Approved Minutes

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Executive-Board meeting November 15, 2008

Meeting Location- Prairieland Bldg.

1901 Railroad Ave.

Decatur, IL. 62526.

EXECUTIVE BOARD PRESENT

1. State Coord. -Jim "Legs" Korte
2. Assist. State Coord. -Jeff Marsh
3. Secretary-Paulette Korte
4. Treasurer-Julie Bacon
5. Safety & Ed.-Elizabeth Kren
6. Products-Terrie VanHuss
7. Newsletter- Ronie "RJ" Scroggins
8. Public Relation- Carleen Grant
9. Activities-Crystal Shamhart

10. Activities-Carl Shamhart
11. Office Manager-Pauli Ward
12. NE Region-Mike Ryan
13. NW Region-Scott Gerke
14. EC Region-Stacey Rigsby
15. WC Region-Steve "Rat" Surratt
16. WC Region-Randy Hays-late-12: 45p
17. SE Region-Rick "Doc" Jones
18. SW Region-Bob Myers

EXECUTIVE BOARD ABSENT

1. Bike Raffle-Gus Miller-with bike
2. Legislative-Dan Harper-none given
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OTHERS PRESENT

1. Laura Mayer-Chicago
2. Denny Turner-Heart of Illinois
3. Mike Myers-Kishwaukee Valley
4. Ray "Razor" Swinda
5. Cathy Tooly-Pathfinders
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The Executive-Board meeting was called to order at 10:20AM with the State Coordinator Jim "Legs" Korte leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the minutes:

Motion made by Steve "Rat" Surratt to approve minutes as amended, Carleen Grant 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Old Business:

Insurance Draft: Postponed from previous meeting.

Update presented and more suggestions made. Will return the next Executive Board meeting with updates included.

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Motion made by Rick "Doc" Jones to accept insurance draft with amendments, Pauli Ward 2nd, discussion, motion passed. EB2008-73.

Budget:

Motion made by Pauli Ward to table to the end of the meeting for discussion, Bob Myers 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed with the following in opposition: Mike Myers, Paulette Korte.

State Party Camper fees:

Motion made by Pauli Ward of a \$30 flat fee for Recreational Vehicles for the State Party, Stacey Rigsby 2nd, discussion, motion failed with the following in opposition: Rick "Doc" Jones, Mike Myers, Mike Ryan, Stacey Rigsby, Carleen Grant, Elizabeth Kren, Paulette Korte. EB2008-74.

Motion made by Laura Mayer to charge a flat utility fee of \$30 for whomever wants electric and water, Pauli Ward 2nd, discussion, motion failed with the following in opposition: Rick "Doc" Jones, Stacey Rigsby, Steve "Rat" Surratt, Pauli Ward, Bob Myers, Julie Bacon, and Paulette Korte. EB-2008-75.

Motion made by Rick "Doc" Jones to postpone the State Party camper fees, Mike Ryan 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. EB-2008-76.

Lawsuit against the Governor:

The current lawsuit against the governor has been ruled in favor of the governor. Suggestion read as to what further action to take for the lawsuit.

Motion made by Rick "Doc" Jones to appeal the ruling based on the advice gathered by the ABATE Legal service to pursue the appeal, Bob Myers 2nd, discussion, motion passed. EB2008-77.

Motion made by Mike Myers to close Old Business, Carl Shamhart 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

New Business:

Legislative Agenda:

A Legislative agenda needs to be put together to present to the Board of Directors at the December meeting:

2 letters presented from Bob "Korg" Ward as to the update of the Motorcycle Advisory Panel and action to be taken of the following bills to be presented: Helmet Bill, Graduated Licensing, and requirement of endorsement to purchase a motorcycle, send letter is of acceptance of the nomination for Legislative Coordinator.

Legislative agenda as follows:

Move against laws being proposed: Helmet law, Graduated Licensing, Purchase of motorcycle prohibited without endorsement.

Support of all Off Road issues in Illinois.

Support on any language that appears for L or M endorsement on anything with 2 wheels (scooters) without opening a loophole.

Support National Legislative Agenda by the MRF.

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Vulnerable users act being followed and pursued.

Continue on open bills currently in progress.

Watch and pursuant on Vehicular homicide.

Motion made by Jeff Marsh to make recommendation to the Board of Directors in December the Legislative Agenda, Steve "Rat" Surratt 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. EB2008-78.

Chair-By-Law review Committee:

Reminder that the Executive Board needs to reseal the By-Law review chair at the December Board meeting, anyone with interest needs to make it known at the December E-Board meeting.

Motion made by Pauli Ward that Mike Myers stay as the By-Law review Committee chair thru the December meeting and make current presentation at the December Board of Directors meeting, Stacey Rigsby 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. EB2008-79.

Inventory of Products:

Inventory of products has been completed and transformation between new and passed officer has been done.

Motion made by Paulette Korte that the current truck (old) being used by the products be opened up for sealed bid of purchase at the December Board of Directors until the February Board meeting and the monies being received for bid go into the Truck savings for purchase, Stacey Rigsby 2nd, discussion that decals will be removed, motion passed. EB2008-80.

Seminar 2009:

Pauli Ward needs list from officers of awards to be given out to the office ASAP. Jeff Marsh followed up with information need to him for process for the seminar. Bios are needed from officers ASAP. Time will be scheduled for region meetings at the seminar. Rich Neb nominations need to be received to the state office by December 1, 2008.

Break: 12:00pm

Back: 12:30pm

Heartland Steam:

State Coordinator Jim "Legs" Korte following up as to whom will be attending Heartland Steam, April 24-26, 2009 in Bismarck, North Dakota. Public Relations, Carleen Grant will be doing the presentation for Illinois, Jim "Legs" Korte, Rick "Doc" Jones, and Jeff Marsh will be attending this coming year.

Statement of Conduct of Executive Board officer at October Board meeting presented by Mike Ryan:

Mike Ryan presented concerns and a letter from Tim Thompson, and chapters: Dukane, Southern DuPage, Will County and Northern. Point of order made that this needs to be brought up at the Board of Directors meeting as the Executive Board can take no action.

EC Region meeting presented by Stacey Rigsby:

Reminder of a previous motion passed by the Board of Directors of June 2007, BOD2007-18 that the Robert's Rules of Order be followed in conducting business at meetings.

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Goals 2009:

State Coordinator Jim "Legs" Korte passed out to the Executive Board officers to fill out as to the goals of those Departments for the year 2009.

MRF letter:

Letter of voting ballot of the SSMRO position being pursued by Dave Dwyer. Will vote accordingly.

Motion made by Elizabeth Kren to close New Business, Randy Hays 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Officers Reports:

Legislative: Dan Harper-not present covered in new business for Legislative agenda

Questions brought up by Treasurer Julie Bacon as for checks sent out from chapters from last year to the: legislative Department that have not yet been sent to the state office to be banked. Julie Bacon to follow up with Dan Harper and report at the next E-Board meeting.

No reports from PAC's at the meeting

Products: Terrie VanHuss reported that everything has been safely moved.

Safety and Education: Elizabeth Kren that in the middle of the school year and preparing for the seminar.

Questions as to the cost of key chains and pens stated that the cost for key chains is currently at .24 cents and the pens currently at .20. Brochures are currently being received from IDOT at no cost.

Secretary: Paulette Korte reported that letter will be going out this week per the Board of Directors request from the October meeting.

Treasurer: Julie Bacon reported that Lost Creek needs to change accounts to read Lost Creek chapter of ABATE of IL, Inc. Julie reported that the Safety & Education Department has not turned in all receipts of credit card use of charges. There are charges from March to now of no receipts, there are also charges on credit card that do not belong to ABATE of IL.

Motion made by Paulette Korte that the State Office be the only user of Credit Card business for ABATE of IL and any other Departments with Credit Cards be turned in and cancelled immediately, Jeff Marsh 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. EB2008-81.

The Safety & Education Department has until this coming Friday to turn and find receipts to the Treasurer.

Reminder that there is currently a policy in place of 90days for receipts to be turned in for reimbursement.

Assistant State Coordinator: Jeff Marsh reported earlier in the meeting.

Activities: Crystal and Carl Shamhart on the Swap meet that everything is place so far. Update on the progress of the State Party is in place contracts signed. Update on the grounds for the Awareness Rally.

Public Relations: Carleen Grant reported that costs for supplies will be gathered and presented to the Board of Directors in December to have chapters pay up front for supplies.

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Newsletter: Ronie "RJ" Scroggins reported that the transition of officers has been completed and currently working on the newsletter. Information will be gathered as to the possible posting of the newsletter to the website.

Bike Raffle: Gus Miller not present no report.

State Office: Pauli Ward had nothing to report.

Region Reports:

NE: Mike Ryan reported on the Pactoberfest event in the region and the raising of funds that occurred.

NW: Scott Gerke reported that there will be 3 new chapter presidents in the region. Chili cook-off will be February 21, 2009

EC: Stacey Rigsby reported that a calendar of events for the region is being gathered.

WC: Steve "Rat" Surratt reported that the region meeting would be tomorrow in Beardstown.

SE: Rick "Doc" Jones reported on the upcoming region meeting. **Rick "Doc" Jones is making note that he is donating his expenses to the organization for the months of November and December.**

SW: Bob Myers reported that a chapter challenge went out to the chapters in the region to be sponsors for the State seminar

MRF report: Jim "Legs" Korte reported that the MOTM for Illinois would be in Peoria, Illinois in 2010. Artwork for the Logo needs to be received to him by March of 2009. Also funds need to be raised to the amount of \$5,000 to \$6,000.

Motion made by Pauli Ward to accept reports as given, Carl Shamhart 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed.

Motion made by Paulette Korte to reopen Old Business, Carl Shamhart 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Old Business:

Budget:

Motion made by Stacey Rigsby to rescind all previous budget motions from the September Executive Board meeting to proceed with the budget balancing, Julie Bacon 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. EB2008-82.

Motion made by Rick "Doc" Jones for the chapter to reimburse for key chains and pens, Mike Ryan 2nd, discussion, motion failed with the following in opposition: Elizabeth Kren, Bob Myers, Pauli Ward, Julie Bacon, Laura Mayer, Crystal Shamhart, Carleen Grant, Paulette Korte. EB2008-83.

Motion made by Rick "Doc" Jones to drop the amount of what chapters keep from membership reimbursement from \$5.00 to \$3.00 for single and drop from \$8.00 to \$6.00 for couples, Stacey Rigsby 2nd, discussion, motion passed with the following in opposition: Elizabeth Kren, Pauli Ward, Bob Myers, Paulette Korte. EB2008-84.

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Motion made by Paulette Korte to make the recommendation to the Board of Directors the current balanced budget at the December BOD meeting, Carl Shamhart 2nd, no further discussion, (Secretary note: the budget proposal will be mailed to the chapters this month for consideration from the chapters), motion passed. EB2008-85.

Motion made by Carl Shamhart to reclose Old Business, Elizabeth Kren 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed.

Motion made by Carl Shamhart to adjourn the meeting, Julie Bacon 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Adjourn at 3:37pm.