

**A.B.A.T.E. OF IL, INC.-Board of Directors Meeting June 20, 2009**

These minutes approved as amended August 15, 2009

**Approved Minutes**

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Board of Directors meeting June 20, 2009

Meeting Location-Brookens Auditorium

University of Illinois at Springfield, One Plaza

Springfield, IL 62703

**EXECUTIVE BOARD PRESENT**

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|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. State Coord.-Jim "Legs" Korte | 8. NE Region-Mike Ryan             |
| 2. Secretary-Paulette Korte      | 9. NW Region-Scott Gerke           |
| 3. Treasurer-Julie Bacon         | 10. EC Region-Stacey Rigsby        |
| 4. Legislative-Bob "Korg" Ward   | 11. WC Region-Steve "Rat" Surratt  |
| 5. Safety & Ed.-Laura Mayer      | 12. WC Region-Randy Hays-left 2:50 |
| 6. Products-Terrie VanHuss       | 13. SE Region-Rick "Doc" Jones     |
| 7. Office Manager-Pauli Ward     | 14. SW Region-Bob Myers            |

**EXECUTIVE BOARD ABSENT**

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|---|----------------------------------|
| 1. Assist. State Coord.-Jeff Marsh-work   | 6. Activities-Carl Shamhart-work |
| 2. Newsletter-Ronie "RJ" Scroggins-family | 7.                               |
| 3. Public Relations-Carleen Grant-family  | 8.                               |
| 4. Bike Raffle-Gus Miller-with bike       | 9.                               |
| 5. Activities-Crystal Shamhart-work       |                                  |

**CHAPTERS PRESENT**

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Apple Creek-left 2:32 | 14. Freedom Riders    | 28. Old River-left 4:10   |
| 2. Backroads             | 15. Freedom Valley    | 29. Pathfinders-left-2:50 |
| 3. Big River             | 16. Freeport          | 30. Peo-Taz               |
| 4. Blackhawk             | 17. Fulton County     | 31. Piasa-Gateway         |
| 5. Chicago               | 18. Great River       | 32. Shoal Creek           |
| 6. Children of the Corn  | 19. Heart of Illinois | 33. South Suburban        |
| 7. Crossroads            | 20. Heartland         | 34. Southern DuPage       |
| 8. Dukane                | 21. Iron Riders       | 35. Southern Illinois 27  |
| 9. Eastern Illinois      | 22. Kaskaskia Valley  | 36. St. Clair             |
| 10. Embarras Valley      | 23. Kishwaukee Valley | 37. Starved Rock          |
| 11. Flatlanders          | 24. Liberty           | 38. Thunder Rock          |
| 12. Ford County          | 25. Lincolnland       | 39. Twin Rivers           |
| 13. Freebird             | 26. Midstate          | 40. Westgate              |
|                          | 27. Northern Illinois | 41. Will County           |

**CHAPTERS ABSENT**

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Arrowhead Valley | 3. Black Diamond    |
| 2. Beaucoup Bottoms | 4. Central Illinois |

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| 5. Crawford County     | 14. Open Roads       |
| 6. Franklin County     | 15. Prairieland      |
| 7. Freedom By Choice   | 16. Salt Creek       |
| 8. Heritage Trail      | 17. Shawnee Hills    |
| 9. Hubbard Trail       | 18. Southern Freedom |
| 10. Jasper County      | 19. Tri-County       |
| 11. Lamoine Valley     | 20. Union Jack       |
| 12. Lost Creek         | 21. Wabash Valley    |
| 13. Northwest Suburban |                      |

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:08pm with the State Coordinator Jim “Legs” Korte leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call taken of chapter present.

**Approval of the minutes:**

**Motion made by Dukane to approve minutes as written, Twin Rivers 2<sup>nd</sup>, no discussion, motion passed.**

**Motion made by Heart of Illinois for excuse of Salt Creek absence to meeting today do to death of a chapter member, Crossroads 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-30.**

**Old Business:**-None brought up for discussion.

**No motion needed as no business was discussed.**

**New Business:**

**Annual review-Exemptions:** Executive Board recommends to the Board of Directors to accept exemptions as they stand and to include sending a copy of chapter paperwork filing to the State office.

**Motion made by Dukane to accept the Executive Board recommendation to the board of the exemptions, Pathfinders, no further discussion motion passed. BOD2009-31.**

**Recommendation to not proceed with Membership proposal:** Information has not been passed out to the Board of Directors.

**Motion made by Blackhawk to postpone until the next Board of Directors meeting, Dukane 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-32.**

**Recommendation to move Legal Service Review to the April Board meeting:**

**Motion made by Kaskaskia Valley to move the Legal Service Review to April, Old River 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-33.**

**Down Rider Program:** Printed every 6 weeks state by Pauli Ward. Updates need to be sent in by the chapters.

**Letter of intent for State Pac:** Letter received from Martha Kelley.

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**Motion made by Dukane to accept the letter of intent from Martha Kelley, Heart of Illinois 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-34.**

Letter of intent from Denny Turner for State Pac

**Motion made by Dukane to accept the letter of intent from Denny Turner, Crossroads 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed with the following in opposition: Blackhawk, Piasa-Gateway, and Midstate. BOD2009-35.**

**Scholarship deadline extension:** Recommendation from the Executive Board to the Board of Directors to extend the Scholarship deadline due to technical difficulties.

**Motion made by Dukane to accept the Executive Board deadline, Freeport 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-36.**

**Recognition of the past president of the past chapter Brothers of Grundy: Recommendation from the Executive Board to recognize Brothers of Grundy of action at the April Board meeting.**

**Motion made by Dukane to accept the recommendation from the Executive Board, Westgate 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed with the following chapters in opposition: Heart of Illinois, Kaskaskia Valley, Freedom Valley, Midstate, Lincolnland, Apple Creek, Blackhawk, Southern DuPage, Chicago. BOD2009-37.**

**Motion made by Iron Riders to reinstate Brothers of Grundy as a chapter, Southern DuPage 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion failed. BOD2009-38.**

**Motion made by Blackhawk to set aside the assets of the previous chapter (Brothers of Grundy) for 6 months to see what happens, Iron Riders 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD209-39.**

**Nominations: Nominations are now opened for the Executive Board;**

**State Coordinator: Piasa-Gateway nomination: Jim "Legs" Korte-declined**

**Southern DuPage nomination: Jeff Marsh-declined**

**Westgate nomination: Ed Domine-**

**Assistant State Coordinator: Southern DuPage nomination: Jeff Marsh-declined**

**Treasurer: Backroads nomination: Julie Bacon-accepted**

**Secretary: Blackhawk nomination: Paulette Korte-declined**

**Southern DuPage nomination: Laura Mayer-declined**

**Heart of Illinois nomination: Matika Lancaster-**

**Legislative Coordinator: Southern DuPage nomination: Bob "Korg" Ward-accepted**

**Safety & Education: Piasa-Gateway nomination: Laura Mayer-accepted**

**Newsletter Coordinator: Kaskaskia Valley nomination: Ronnie "RJ" Scroggins-accepted**

**Public Relations: Kaskaskia Valley nomination: Carleen Grant-declined**

**Activities Coordinator: St. Clair nominations: Carl & Crystal Shamhart-decline**

**Bob Dobson-accepted**

**Products Coordinator: Heart of Illinois nomination: Terrie VanHuss-accepted**

**Bike Raffle: Kaskaskia Valley nomination: Gus Miller-declined**

**Blackhawk nomination: Roger Larson-declined**

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**NE Region: Southern DuPage nomination: Mike Ryan-accepted**

**NW Region Blackhawk nomination: Scott Greek-accepted**

**EC Region: Heartland nomination: Stacey Rigby-accepted**

**WC Region: Lincoln land nomination: Steve "Rat" Surratt and Randy Hays-both accepted**

**SE Region: Crossroads nomination: Rick "Doc" Jones-accepted**

**SW Region: St. Clair nomination: Bob Myers-accepted**

**Police Activity:**

**Motion made by Lincolnland for resolution to be conducted by designated persons on measures to sop unwanted road blocks on motorcycles in the future to be addressed, Big River 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion, motion failed. BOD2009-40.**

**Motion made by Dukane to close New Business, Crossroads 2<sup>nd</sup>, no discussion, motion passed.**

**Break 2:232pm**

Resumed from break at 2:55pm

**Officers Reports:**

**Legislative:** Bob "Korg" Ward reported that Southern DuPage had plaques made up for gratitude for SB1351.

**Motion made by Midstate to have the chapter reword the plaques and preapproval from the Legislative Department to then be handled by the chapters for disbursement, Kaskaskia Valley 2<sup>nd</sup>, discussion that the wording include "for your continuous support" motion passed. BOD2009-41.**

**Bob "Korg" Ward reported on the Campaign finance bill.**

**Sweeps of funds-there are 600 designated funds in Illinois, 200 are included in the sweeps, and we are not at this time included n this bill.**

**Pac Reports:**

**ABATE-PAC:** John "Hunter John" Harris reported on the financial status of the PAC and the funds donations activity. Guidelines of the PAC activity passed out for the Board of Directors to reference. PAC member list will be included in the newsletter.

**FED/PAC:** Cindy Lannom reported on the finance and activity.

**Safety & Education:** Laura Mayer reported that 21 chapters are reporting. Thank you to Freedom By Choice and Freedom Riders for the donations to Safety & Education.

**Stand Alone Video:** No action taken by the Board of Directors on the Stand Alone video.

Request have been made and sent out on schools wanting service from ABATE of Illinois for presentations. Get with Laura immediately.

5708 students with 222 presentations given so far this year.

Inventory sheets and supply sheets have been included in packets today and need to be taken back to the chapter Safety & education for request for supplies and what activity is going on school wise in the chapter.

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Computer needs to be replaced. Will look into.

Looking for training sites across the state, please contact Laura with any information.

**Products:** Terrie VanHuss has statements for chapters for outstanding bills to be taken care of.

**Treasurer:** Julie Bacon-no report to be given.

**Assistant State Coordinator:** Jeff Marsh not present, no report.

**Public Relations:** Carleen Grant not present, no report.

**State Office:** Pauli Ward reported that the membership is up.

**Newsletter:** Ronie "RJ" Scroggins not present, no report.

**Secretary:** Paulette Korte has nothing to report at this meeting

**Activities:** Carl & Crystal not present but sent in the following: Reconfirmation of shift coverage gone over for the State Party.

**Bike Raffle:** Gus Miller not present. SELL SELL SELL

Reports accepted as given.

**Region Reports:**

**NE:** Mike Ryan reported there will be no region meeting until September. Pacterfest will be October 24, 2009.

**NW:** Scott Gerke reported the region has a calendar of events for the region together and will be posted.

**EC:** Stacey Rigsby thanked the chapters who attend the region meeting. Central region party was a success. Chiggerfest in September.

**WC:** Steve "Rat" Surratt reported a 4 chapter run to benefit the MOTM 2010 is scheduled July 18, 2009. Fulton County Rodeo August 7-8, 2009, Grand National August 22, 2009.

**SE:** Rick "Doc" Jones talked the goings of the memorial ride at the State Party. Region meeting will be at 10 am at the State Party.

**SW:** Bob Myers reported that the Marble run is happening and there is a movement in the membership in the region.

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**Panel Reports:**

**MRF Rep:** Jim "Legs" Korte reported there are tickets available for the SS engine at \$2/pc.

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**D-17 Rep:** No report given.

**DNR Rep:** Nothing to report.

**MAP Rep:** Bob “Korg” Ward reported there will probably not be a meeting until November.

**Bylaw:** By-law read to the board and will be given to the chair.

Reports accepted as given.

**Membership drawing & Adjourn.**

**Motion made by Crossroads to adjourn, Kishwaukee Valley 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Meeting adjourned at 4:22pm**

Respectfully submitted

Paulette Korte

State Secretary