

A.B.A.T.E. OF IL, INC.-Board of Directors Meeting August 15, 2009

These minutes approved as amended October 17, 2009

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Board of Directors meeting August 15, 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 | 9. Activities-Crystal Shamhart |
| 2. Assist. State Coord.-Jeff Marsh | 10. Activities-Carl Shamhart |
| 3. Secretary-Paulette Korte | 11. Office Manager-Pauli Ward |
| 4. Treasurer-Julie Bacon | 12. NE Region-Mike Ryan |
| 5. Legislative-Bob "Korg" Ward | 13. NW Region-Scott Gerke |
| 6. Products-Terrie VanHuss | 14. EC Region-Stacey Rigsby |
| 7. Newsletter- Ronie "RJ" Scroggins | 15. WC Region-Steve "Rat" Surratt |
| 8. Public Relation- Carleen Grant | 16. SE Region-Rick "Doc" Jones |
| | 17. SW Region-Bob Myers |

EXECUTIVE BOARD ABSENT

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| 1. Safety & Education-Laura Mayer-family | 3. WC Region-Randy Hays-region event |
| 2. Bike Raffle-Gus Miller-with bike | |

OTHERS PRESENT

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| 1. Fulton County Sheep Herders | 2. |
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CHAPTERS PRESENT

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| 1. Beaucoup Bottoms | 17. Freedom By Choice | 33. Northwest Suburban |
| 2. Big River-left 2:32 | 18. Freedom Valley | 34. Open Roads |
| 3. Black Diamond-left 4:15 | 19. Freeport | 35. Peo-Taz-left 4:35 |
| 4. Blackhawk | 20. Fulton County-left 4:25 | 36. Piasa-Gateway |
| 5. Central Illinois | 21. Heart of Illinois | 37. Salt Creek |
| 6. Chicago | 22. Heartland | 38. Shawnee Hills |
| 7. Children of the Corn | 23. Heritage Trail | 39. South Suburban |
| 8. Crawford County | 24. Iron Riders | 40. Southern DuPage |
| 9. Crossroads | 25. Jasper County-left 3:40 | 41. Southern Freedom |
| 10. Dukane-left 5:15 | 26. Kaskaskia Valley | 42. Southern Illinois 27 |
| 11. Eastern Illinois | 27. Kishwaukee Valley | 43. St. Clair |
| 12. Embarras Valley | 28. Lamoine Valley-left 4:20 | 44. Starved Rock |
| 13. Flatlanders-left 4:45 | 29. Liberty | 45. Thunder Rock-left 5:00 |
| 14. Ford County | 30. Lincolnland | 46. Tri County-left 4:00 |
| 15. Franklin County | 31. Midstate | 47. Twin Rivers |
| 16. Freebird | 32. Northern Illinois-left-
2:45 | 48. Westgate |
| | | 49. Will County |

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| 1. Apple Creek | 8. Old River |
| 2. Arrowhead Valley | 9. Pathfinders |
| 3. Backroads | 10. Prairieland |
| 4. Freedom Riders | 11. Shoal Creek |
| 5. Great River | 12. Union Jack |
| 6. Hubbard Trail | 13. Wabash Valley |
| 7. Lost Creek | 14. |

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 1:07pm with the State Coordinator Jim "Legs" Korte leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the minutes:

Motion made by Dukane to approve minutes as amended, Heart of Illinois 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Old Business:

Fulton County Sheep Herders-Discussion of action taken by the Executive Board at the July meeting. Then action taken at the Executive Board meeting today.

Motion made by Heart of Illinois for a letter of apology to be printed in the Newsletter to the Fulton County Sheep Herders of action taken by the Executive Board, Northern Illinois 2nd, discussion and a representative of the Fulton County Sheep Herders recognized to speak on their behalf, questions presented to the chair to be answered on action and Fulton County chapter to also answer questions, questions answered to the best of ability of the chair, motion passed with the following chapter voting in opposition: Shawnee Hills. BOD2009-42.

Secretary note as to no direction as to whom is to write the letter of apology.

Motion made by Northern Illinois to send a representative from ABATE of Illinois to the Coalition of Colors to recertify the statement of historic contribution and support of rights to clubs to participate in ABATE events, Blackhawk 2nd, discussion that John "Hunter John" Harris be the representative, motion passed with the following chapter voting in opposition; Beaucoup Bottoms, Freeport, Kaskaskia Valley. BOD2009-43.

South Suburban Membership proposal: Discussion on participation and support financially from the organization to do a joint effort with dealerships to promote membership to ABATE of Illinois.

Motion made by Crossroads to accept the E-Board recommendation to not proceed with the proposal from South Suburban, Kaskaskia Valley 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed with the following chapters voting in opposition: Iron Riders. BOD2009-44.

2nd Round of Executive Board nominations:

State Coordinator: nomination made by Blackhawk for Mike Myers-accepted.

Assistant State Coordinator: Denny Turner-declined

Nomination made by Will County for Randy Scott-accepted.

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Nominations made by Lincolnland for Roger Leach-accepted

Treasurer-no second round nomination

Secretary-nomination made by Starved Rock for Kat Connor-accepted

Legislative Coordinator-nomination made by Southern Illinois Chapter 27 for George Tinkham-accepted

Safety & Education-no second round nominations

Newsletter-Ronie "RJ" Scroggins accepts with the understanding she cannot attend every meeting do to not driving.

Motion made by Shawnee Hills to make an exception of the meeting attendance of the Newsletter Coordinator temporarily for this coming year, Dukane 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-45.

Public Relations-Carleen Grant-declined

Activities-Bob Dobson-declined

Crossroads nominate Carl & Crystal Shamhart-accepted.

Products-no second round nominations.

Bike Raffle-Roger Larson-declined

Blackhawk-Gus Miller-accepted.

No second round nominations for regional coordinators

Motion made by Piasa-Gateway to closed nominations, South Suburban 2nd, motion passed. BOD2009-46.

Motion made by Thunder Rock to close Old Business, Open Roads 2nd, no discussion, motion passed.

Break 2:32pm

Return 2:51pm

New Business:

Budget: Recommendation on Budget and Legal Action Fund: Recommendation from the Executive board to accept the budget proposal as written and to also keep the Legal action fund as it currently is.

Motion made by Heart of Illinois to accept the Executive board of recommendations on the budget and the legal action fund, Thunder Rock 2nd, discussion.

Motion made by Ford County to postpone this action until the next scheduled Board of Directors meeting, Southern Illinois Chapter 27, 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-46.

Bike Raffle policy: Executive Board recommendation to the Board of Directors to cancel the current policy of bike raffle to be approved by the Board of Directors before purchase.

Motion made by Midstate to accept the Executive Board recommendation of canceling the Bike raffle policy, Jasper2nd, discussion that the time frame does not allow this previous act to continue and has never been followed, motion passed with the following chapter in opposition: Black Diamond. BOD2009-47.

FED/PAC alternate Treasurer: Executive Board recommendation to the Board of Directors to accept a letter of intent for FED/PAC alternate Treasurer from Deb King.

Motion made by Southern DuPage to accept recommendation from the Executive Board for FED/PAC alternate Treasurer from Deb King, Northwest Suburban 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-48.

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By-law Proposal: By-Laws proposals received from Rick “Doc” Jones on Executive Board election and current office to run with budget year, also change of Treasurer duties of presentation of budget proposal. Recommendation from the By-Law review is as follows: Vote was unanimous in favor of changes to be accepted.

Motion made by Southern DuPage to accept by-law proposal as written and for the officer to take office in November for the 2010 year and for the process to start with those officers, Southern Illinois chapter 27 2nd, discussion as to other clerical changes that need to be made to the By-Laws without any further motions, motion passed. BOD2009-49.

Rich Neb award: State Coordinator Jim “Legs” Korte read the guidelines for the Rich Neb award to the Board of Directors and the Deadline for submission to be sent to the State Office by December 1, 2009.

Panel letters of intent: Letters of intent for panel positions need to be presented before the December Board of Directors meeting for the following: By-Laws, 4 members of FED/PAC, MRF Rep, AMA, and DNR.

MRF Pledge: Recommendation from the Executive Board to the Board of Directors to hold off on this action as the organization will be hosting the MOTM in 2010 and to wait for clarification of budgets.

Motion made by Dukane to accept the Executive Board recommendation to hold off, Piasa-Gateway 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009- 50.

E-Board Draft Minutes: Executive board making a recommendation to the Board of Directors that E-Board draft minutes to not be sent out until the minutes have been approved.

Motion made by Southern DuPage to reject this recommendation to the Board of Directors, Black Diamond 2nd, further discussion of how By-Laws and Not for Profit Laws are being violated, motion failed with the following chapters voting in opposition: Beaucoup Bottoms, Chicago, Children of the Corn, Crawford County, Crossroads, Eastern Illinois, Embarras Valley, Ford County, Freebird, Heartland, Heritage Trail, Iron Riders, Kaskaskia Valley, Lamoine Valley, Liberty, Midstate, Open Roads, Piasa-Gateway, Salt Creek, Shawnee Hills, St.Clair, Thunder Rock, Tri-County, Twin Rivers. BOD2009-51.

To make clarification nothing changes.

Rodney Stage permanent removal of membership: Executive Board recommendation to the Board of Directors to remove Rodney Stage permanently from the organization.

Motion made by Freebird to reject the Executive Board recommendation, Freedom Valley 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed with the following chapter in opposition: Fulton County. BOD2009-52.

Motion made by Peo-Taz to postpone any action against Rodney Stage for 5years of his previous membership (August 2008)removal which will be in the year 2013, Blackhawk 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. BOD2009-53.

Resolution of Road block: issue read to the Board of Directors for action to be taken from Southern Illinois chapter 27.

Bob “Korg” Ward recognized to speak about meeting with the Governor to happen in the near future.

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Motion made by Southern Illinois chapter 27 for action to be taken on the ISP road blocks, Children of the Corn 2nd, no further discussion, motion failed with the following chapters voting in opposition: Beaucoup Bottoms, Central Illinois, Chicago, Crawford County, Crossroads, Dukane, Embarras Valley, Flatlanders, Ford County, Freebird, Freedom Valley, Fulton County, Heart of Illinois, Heartland, Heritage Trail, Kaskaskia Valley, Kishwaukee Valley, Liberty, Midstate, Northwest Suburban, Open Roads, Piasa-Gateway, Salt Creek, Shawnee Hills, South Suburban, Southern DuPage, Southern Freedom, Starved Rock, Thunder Rock, Tri-County, Twin Rivers, Westgate, Will County. BOD2009-54.

Motion made by Dukane to close New Business, Midstate 2nd, no discussion, motion passed with the following chapter voting in opposition: Lincolnland.

Officers Reports:

Legislative: Bob "Korg" Ward reported on the update of the ISP stops of motorcycles.

Fund raisers to attend for Phil Hoerr.

Fund Raiser to happen for Lane Evans to help pay for his care.

Golf outing coming attended.

Shimkus affair already attended.

Budget language for the Cycle Rider education dropped this year but will continue to pursue.

Speed limit equalization of speed in areas a bill to be looked at.

Mt. Vernon pipes can be ran.

Pac Reports:

ABATE-PAC: John "Hunter John" Harris reported on activity of the Pac. Encouraging each region to have someone on the committee.

FED/PAC: Jim Conley reported on Pac activity. If you see a fund raiser that needs to be attended please notify.

Safety & Education: Laura Mayer not in attendance see attachment.

Products: Terrie Van Huss reported that scarves and ties are ordered along with chrome plate covers.

Treasurer: Julie Bacon reported that the Treasurer notes have been added to the packets on the proposed budget.

Assistant State Coordinator: Jeff Marsh reported that will be starting working on the State Seminar.

Public Relations: Carleen Grant left and see attached report.

State Office: Paul Ward reported that the following chapters still have not turned in the state party tickets and must do so: Old River, Chicago, Southern Illinois chapter 27. Please get to the office ASAP.

Downed Rider Card. An e-mail was received by an e-board member from a chapter member on the updates of the Downed Rider Card. Actions have been taken and suggestions made as to updating the card. Membership coordinators of chapters have been asked and sent letters to help in this process.

Newsletter: Deadline is today for the newsletter

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Secretary: Paulette Korte getting things ready for the next State Secretary.

Activities: Carl Shamhart reported that the e-board will need to be more active in the running of operations of the State Party. Discussed the road block that happened at the State Party.

Bike Raffle: Gus Miller not present sent in note that the 2010 bike raffle will be a 2010 Red/Black Deluxe from Hall's.

Region Reports:

NE: Mike Ryan reported that region meetings will start back up in September.

NW: Scott Gerke reported that Kishwaukee Valley will celebrate their 20th anniversary on August 22.

EC: Stacey Rigsby reported a meeting after the Chigger fest in September.

WC: Steve "Rat" Surratt reported thank you to Fulton County for the region party. Grand Nationals coming up.

SE: Rick "Doc" Jones not present but left word on Biker farm coming up.

SW: Bob Myers reported region meeting September 3, 2009.

Panel Reports:

MRF Rep: Jim "Legs" Korte read clarification on the HIPAA stance from the MRF. MOTM will be the 4th weekend in September for anyone who wants to attend and get an idea on how to help next year.

D-17 Rep: Stacey Rigsby that things are in the middle of racing season.

DNR Rep: Nothing to report.

MAP Rep: Nothing to report, no meeting.

Bylaw: Nothing turned in.

All reports accepted as given.

Motion made by Crossroads to adjourn meeting, Piasa-Gateway 2nd, no discussion.

Membership drawing & Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 5:18pm

Respectfully submitted

Paulette Korte

State Secretary