

A.B.A.T.E. OF IL, INC. Executive-Board Meeting February 27, 2010

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Executive-Board meeting February 27, 2010

Meeting Location-Brookens Auditorium

University of Illinois at Springfield, One Plaza

Springfield, IL 62703

EXECUTIVE BOARD PRESENT

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| 1. State Coord.-Mike Myers | 10. Activities-Carl Shamhart |
| 2. Assist. State Coord.-Roger Leach | 11. Bike Raffle-Gus Miller |
| 3. Secretary-Kat Conner | 12. Office Manager-Pauli Ward |
| 4. Treasurer-Julie Bacon | 13. NE Region-Mike Ryan |
| 5. Legislative-George Tinkham | 14. NW Region-Scott Gerke |
| 6. Safety & Ed.-Laura Mayer | 15. EC Region-Stacey Rigsby |
| 7. Products-Terrie VanHuss | 16. WC Region-Steve "Rat" Surratt |
| 8. Newsletter- Ronie "RJ" Scroggins | 17. SE Region-Rick "Doc" Jones |
| 9. Public Relations- Carleen Grant | 18. SW Region-Bob Myers |

EXECUTIVE BOARD ABSENT

1. Activities- Crystal Shamhart (family event)
2. WC Region-Randy Hays

OTHERS PRESENT

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| 1. Richard Stage-Fulton County | 6. Kevin Flynn-Southern Dupage |
| 2. John "Hunter John" Harris- FedPac | 7. Rick Olsen- Southern Dupage |
| 3. Brian Prendota- Dukane | 8. Ray Heck-Dukane |
| 4. Cathy Tooley- Pathfinders | 9. Dennis Lange- NW Suburban |
| 5. Jason Carver- Pathfinders | 10. Rozlynn Lange- NW Suburban |

The Executive-Board meeting was called to order at 10:30AM with the State Coordinator Mike Myers leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the minutes:

Motion made by Rick "Doc" Jones to approve minutes as amended, Scott Gerke^{2nd}, no discussion, motion carried.

Opposed: none

Unfinished Business (Old Business):

It was asked if the trailer from BOG had been repossessed yet. Bob Dodson needed the VIN number before he can proceed. It will be taken care of.

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Discussion was held on special year round license plates, it is probably too late to get it done this year unless it can be put in a shell bill. Asst. Coordinator Roger Leach will look into the matter.

Rick "Doc" Jones brought up that Heartland Steam was coming up and Illinois has not been participating much in the last couple years. He may be putting on a presentation.

Discussion was held, suggestion was made to give Heartland several topics to choose from.

Rick "Doc" Jones made a motion to donate \$5,000.00 to the MRF from the state budget, George Tinkham 2nd, discussion.

Rick "Doc" Jones amended his motion, 2nd George Tinkham to strongly recommend to the BOD to donate \$5000.00 to the MRF from the state budget. Julie Bacon, Pauli Ward; voted nay. Motion carried. EB2010-01

Motion made by Laura Mayer to close Unfinished Business, no discussion, Steve "Rat" Surratt 2nd. Motion carried. Opposed: none.

New Business:

Review Non-Preferred Vendor List

State Coordinator Mike Myers read the current Non-Preferred Vendor List. Mike Ryan brought up that Westgate chapter would like the Green Ribbon Rally removed and explained why.

Mike Myers had not received any information on this and feels until we get some it should stay the same. Pauli Ward will make sure the E board receives a current copy of the list.

State Coordinator Mike Myers read a letter of resignation from By Law Chairperson Jeff Marsh. Discussion followed on the qualifications for the replacement; does not have to be on the executive board; although Rick "Doc" Jones says that was the original intent.

Steve "Rat" Surratt recommended Roger Leach who did not feel he knew enough about the job to take it on. Rick "Doc" Jones said he would volunteer. **Scott Gerke made a motion to recommend to the BOD that Rick "Doc" Jones be appointed as the chair, 2nd Roger Leach, discussion, motion carried. Opposed: none. EB2010-02**

State Coordinator Mike Myers explained Randy Scott, trustee of ABATE Pac has resigned. He then read a letter of intent from Charles "Bob" Dawler of Embarras Valley for the open position. He also read a letter of recommendation from Neal Toepfer of ABATE Pac for Charles "Bob" Dawler. **Pauli Ward made a motion to recommend that Charles "Bob" Dawler take the position as trustee for ABATE Pac, 2nd Stacey Rigsby, no discussion, motion carried, opposed: none. EB2010-03**

Asst. State Coordinator Roger Leach reviewed some problems with the Northfield hotel from the State Seminar. He then went over alternate locations and prices. **Pauli Ward made a motion that if Northfield management takes care of the problems, Northfield hotel would be recommended to the BOD for the 2011 seminar, Bob Meyers 2nd, discussion, motion carried. Opposed: none EB2010-04**

Asst. State Coordinator Roger Leach has found some property east of Springfield currently owned by a Nazarene Church that is for sale. He feels it could be used for the state party, for swap meets, and various other events. The property is thirty (30) acres with options of seventeen (17) acres of forest and another one hundred twelve acres (112) of farmland. The asking price is \$1.5 million. The property can be seen on the website: ilnazarenedist.org.

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Stacey Rigsby made a motion to postpone any discussion on this until March, Pauli Ward 2nd, motion carried, opposed:

none. EB2010-05

Rick "Doc" Jones made a motion to recommend to the BOD, if they deem the Organizational Policy and Procedure Manual an important document, to review it from 2007, and continue to update it. **Rick "Doc" Jones then motioned to postpone this until the March Executive board meeting as there was some confusion on what it would have in it and what it would be called,**

Roger Leach 2nd, discussion, motion carried, opposed: none. EB2010-06 Pauli Ward reports that there is another document headed "every motion ever made and she has a copy of it. She will bring copies of that to the next executive board meeting; Carleen Grant suggested we title it "Archives".

Motion made by Steve "Rat" Surratt to close New Business, 2nd Laura Mayer, no discussion, opposed: none, motion passed.

Officers Reports:

Legislative: -see attachment for current bills and their status

Stacey Rigsby voiced his concerns about a lack of communication between the AMA and the Legislative Coordinator. Our paid lobbyist should be communicating more also.

Bob Meyers asked about using the seminar banners at the MOTM, but they say ABATE of Illinois supporters, so the idea was dropped

Motion to adjourn at 12:07 pm by Laura Mayer, Terrie Van Huss 2nd, opposed: none, motion carried.

Submitted by:

Kat Conner

State Secretary Abate of Illinois

LEGISLATIVE ATTACHMENT

Legislative Coordinator George Tinkham gave information on the following bills we need to watch and work on.

SB2535 Helmets required for all motorcyclists under 18. We need to work this one aggressively so we have enough votes to defeat it.

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SB2536 Helmet required for all motorcyclists. In Public Health com.

SB2566 ATV exemption

SB2627 Bicycle helmet for under 16 or 40" tall. Public Health Com Hearing 3/2 1 pm Room 212

HB 162 Cycle Rider Safety Money- Vehicle Safety Com. Hearing 3/3 10 am Room 115

HB 4904 Companion bill to SB2566- in Rules com.

HB 5029 ATV ban anyone under 16, no passengers. Referred to unfunded mandate Com. Hearing 3/3 10 am Room 115

HB5031 Helmets required for all- Vehicle & Safety com 3/3 10 am Room 115

HB6114 helmets for bicyclists under 18 Vehicle & Safety com 3/3 10 am Room 115

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Legislative Day - change time to 5 pm instead of 6. Laura Mayer suggested hand deliver invitations. Neal Toepfer and George Tinkham will work on getting this done ASAP.

Washington, D.C. trip – end of March or early April. George has requested help on getting this prepared.