

**A.B.A.T.E. OF IL. INC Executive Board Meeting December 10, 2011
Minutes approved on February 18, 2012**

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Executive Board meeting December 10, 2011
Meeting Location: Brookens Library
University of Illinois at Springfield, One Plaza
Springfield, IL

Executive Board Present

1. State Coordinator- Mike Myers
2. Asst. State Coord.-Roger Leach
3. Secretary- Kat Conner
4. Treasurer- Julie Bacon
5. Legislative- Bob Myers
6. Office Manager- Pauli Ward
7. Safety & Ed- Laura Mayer
8. Activities: Crystal Shamhart
9. Activities: Carl Shamhart
10. Products- Terrie VanHuss
11. SW Region- Rich KinKade
12. NE Region- Mike "Mike Alobe" Ryan
13. NE Region- Jay Spivey
14. WC Region- Don Boland
15. WC Region- Kevin "Cap" Goudschaal
16. NW Region- Scott Gerke
17. SE Region- Rick "Doc" Jones

Executive Board Absent:

1. Public Relations-Carleen Grant- work
2. Newsletter- Ronie "RJ" Scroggins
3. Bike Raffle- Gus Miller
4. EC Region-Stacey Rigsby

Guests Present

1. "Hunter" John Harris
2. Pam Boland
3. Brian Enburg
4. Carla Enburg
5. Renie KinKade
6. Barb Bailey
7. Robert Dodson
8. "Hopsing" Brian Oliver
9. Tom Haggerty
10. Kevin Leasman
11. Josh Goudschaal
12. Rosie Goudschaal
13. John J. Bloch
14. Sherwyn Smith "Reaper"
15. Maria Padro-Smith "Pumpkin"
16. Pam Hedden
17. Laural Stegall

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

Motion by Roger Leach, Laura Mayer 2nd, to accept the November executive board minutes as corrected, discussion, motion carried.

Corrections: Mike "Mike Alobe" Ryan. Swap Meet: amount of rent should be \$2500.00. In Legislative Report: last sentence should read: Stacey reported that on the Federal level we need to work on passing an exemption bill in order to keep the EPA from having the power to stop any OHV vehicle use and/or motorcycle racing on dirt tracks because of what the EPA terms 'nuisance dust'.

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Webmaster contract: Motion by Pauli Ward, Carl Shamhart 2nd to recommend to the BOD to renew Ernie Steele's webmaster contract, motion carried. EB2011-22

Lobbyist contract: Motion by Carl Shamhart, Terrie VanHuss 2nd to accept Todd Vandermyde's lobbyist contract as written, discussion, motion carried. EB2011-23

Discussion included a concern from a chapter that perhaps it should be included in the contract that Todd attend at least one BOD meeting and the state seminar. Mike Meyers stated that Todd does do both, but it depends on his schedule as to which BOD meeting he can make.

Swap Meet: Carl reported that the March date he thought would work falls on Daytona's Bike week and the majority of his vendors could not come. He is working with the convention center to try to get a date in April.

Election procedure: State Coordinator Mike Myers went over the procedure for doing write-in votes at today's BOD meeting.

Motion by Pauli Ward, Laura Mayer 2nd to close Unfinished Business.

Rich Neb: Voting was held today on the Rich Neb award. Mike Myers repeated the policy of not disclosing who was on the ballot as it will be announced at the State Seminar.

Elections: Mike Myers explained the ABATE-PAC trustees terms are not up this year. In the FED-PAC letters of intent were received from Mike Fisher and Rick "RO" Olson.

Bylaw Review committee chair: Mike told the executive board that although Kat Conner was not going to run for state secretary again, she did feel that she could still do the by-law job if the e-board so wished.

Motion by Pauli Ward, Roger Leach 2nd, that Kat Conner continue as by-law chair for the year 2012, no discussion, motion carried. EB2011-24

MRF Rep: Motion by Laura Mayer, Jay Spivey 2nd to recommend to the BOD to have Mike Myers be the MRF state rep for 2012, discussion, motion carried. EB2011-25

Discussion included past practice of having the state coordinator do the job.

DNR Rep: Stacey Rigsby had to attend an AMA meeting today, so Roger will contact him to see if he wishes to continue in this position.

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Executive Session: Motion by Pauli Ward, Carl Shamhart 2nd to go into Executive Session at 11:05 to discuss possible disciplinary action of a member, motion carried. EB2011-26
Motion by Rich KinKade, Scott Gerke 2nd to come out of Executive Session at 11:26 a.m., no discussion, motion carried. EB2011-27.

Mike Ryan introduced Sherwyn "Reaper" Smith from Windy City who presented a check to ABATE-PAC and a donation of a motorcycle lift to FED-PAC for the seminar auction.

Awareness Rally: Hopsing was present today and recognized to talk about the Awareness Rally in May. He had concerns about the rising cost of the permit to have police protection and the parade itself. He thinks it would be a good idea to change the way it is run; possibly meeting at various sites outside the capitol and converging from several directions. A negative would be a possible loss of sales from products. He would like to see us have a better location at the capitol itself. He suggested a committee or task force be set up to work on these ideas. Carl Shamhart gave some input on the costs previously, and why we are located where we are at the capitol. Pauli pointed out that it is up to activities to set the route. Carl needs to know ASAP what we want to do as he has letters set to be mailed the first week of January.

Motion by Pauli Ward, Scott Gerke 2nd to close New Business.

State Office: Pauli reports that Backroads still owes \$30.00, Lost Creek Owes \$115.00 for memberships, Dukane owes \$90.00 for advertising in the state paper. Mike asked the Region reps to get these matters taken care of.

Safety & Education: Laura asks that all reps talk to their Safety & Ed people and ask them to bring their binders and DVD's to the seminar.

Motion by Carl Shamhart, Laura Mayer 2nd to adjourn at 11:45 a.m., motion carried.

Submitted by:
Kat Conner
State Secretary