

A.B.A.T.E. OF IL, INC. Executive-Board Meeting February 19, 2011

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Secretary Minutes

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Executive-Board meeting February 19, 2011

Meeting Location-Ruby Ballroom

Crowne Plaza Holiday Inn

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-Bob Myers | 14. NW Region- Scott Gerke |
| 6. Safety & Ed.-Laura Mayer | 15. WC Region-Don Bolen |
| 7. Newsletter- Ronie "RJ" Scroggins | 16. WC Region- Kevin "Capp" Goudschaal |
| 8. Public Relations- Carleen Grant | 16. SE Region-Rick "Doc" Jones |
| 9. Products-Terrie VanHuss | 17. SW Region-Rich KinKade |

EXECUTIVE BOARD ABSENT

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| 1. Assist. State Coord.- Roger Leach - vacation | 3. EC Region- Stacey Rigsby-ill |
| 2. Activities-Crystal Shamhart-family event | |

OTHERS PRESENT

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| 1. Dawn Winterfeldt-Arrowhead Valley | 5. Mary J. Cornell- LincolnLand |
| 2. Kim Huddleston- LincolnLand | 6. Phil "Pacman" Cornell- LincolnLand |
| 3. Dan "Hud" Huddleston- LincolnLand | 8. Linda Rosenberg-Arrowhead Valley |
| 4. Rosie Goudschaal- Pathfinders | |

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:

Corrections to minutes: Page 2, Website, chapter listed as Freedom Valley should be Freedom Riders. Page 2, Waiver: Pauli brought up that when a member signs the ABATE application they are agreeing not to sue ABATE. Page 3, Secretary: referring to wording of BOD chapter representative attendance requirement of Article 3, Section 6 of bylaws.

Motion made by Julie Bacon to approve minutes as corrected, Pauli Ward 2nd, no discussion, motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Update on Southside Chicago website issue: Rod Taylor of our Legal services has sent two emails to the website to try to get them to discuss removing our name from the site to no avail. He is talking to George Tinkham about what to do next. Mike Myers asked the executive board for input on how to resolve this situation. Rick "Doc" Jones

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suggested contacting the Attorney General. Mike Ryan has been contacted by a DJ who said he is going to promote boycotting ABATE of Il, Inc until we get this issue fixed.

Waivers: The waiver that Rod Taylor proposed and distributed at the state seminar has caused great concern among the chapters. Mike Myers has put a notice out stating that at this time we have not changed our waiver form.

Heartland Steam: Heartland Steam will be March 25-27. It will be Illinois' turn to host in 2013. Registration forms are available today from Jim "Legs" Korte.

Motion made by Terry Van Huss to close Unfinished Business, Mike Ryan 2nd, no discussion, motion carried.

New Business:

E. Board articles for State paper: Mike Myers would like to see all executive board members putting articles in each issue of the state paper.

Chapters that need help: Mike Myers has attended some chapter's meetings and will gladly go if asked to attend. He will make sure chapter members know the executive board answers to the chapters, not the other way around. Mike Ryan requests that when Mike Myers attends these chapter meetings that the Region Coordinators be informed, and also if there are any issues that these chapters have that the Region Coordinators be informed.

Northern Illinois Sanction: Mike Myers reports that Northern Illinois has fulfilled the requirements of the sanction that was imposed upon them concerning advertising and said they have been doing a great job. **Motion by Pauli Ward, Rich KinKade 2nd, to recommend to the BOD that they remove the sanction on Northern Illinois chapter, no discussion, motion carried. EB2011-1**

Storage Unit: Mike Myers asked who had keys to the Springfield storage unit and they are Legislative, Secretary, Safety & Ed, State Office. It is the Safety & Ed storage unit, cost is \$40.00 per month. Activities has a storage shed in Effingham for the State Party supplies.

Seminar Rooms: Rooms that were cancelled at the last minute and not filled raised the cost of the seminar by \$500.00. Carl Shamhart thought there was a deal with the Ramada that if there were last minute cancellations, people would be transferred from the Ramada to guarantee the Northfield would be full. Roger Leach has some ideas on how to fix things and will report at the March meeting. Rick "Doc" Jones would like to know which regions cancelled.

ABATE of New York- Motorcycle only Safety Checks: We are watching the current situation, not only in New York, but other states which are experiencing these "safety checks". Mike reminded us to document any such stops.

Non-Preferred Vendors List: **Motion by Mike Ryan, Laura Mayer 2nd, to recommend to the BOD to remove references to personal injury attorneys with the exception of Michael F. Hupy and Associates and Bob Sumpton, which would allow personal injury attorneys to advertise in chapter newsletters. Laura Mayer withdrew her second, no motion.**

Waiver form: **Motion by Rick "Doc" Jones, Pauli Ward 2nd, recommend to the BOD to leave the current waiver form as is, motion carried. EB2011-2**

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Non Preferred Vendor List: Motion by Laura Mayer, Carl Shamhart 2nd, recommend to the BOD to change the name of the NPV list to Non Preferred Participants, motion carried. EB2011-3

Motion by Pauli Ward, Carl Shamhart 2nd to close New Business, no discussion, motion carried.

Officers Reports:

Treasurer: Julie Bacon reports that Black Diamond, Dukane, Ford County, Old River, Thunder Rock, and Hubbard Trail will be able to talk today at the BOD meeting, but will not be eligible to vote as they have not fulfilled the 990 requirement. She went over the expense report procedure for the new executive board officers.

State Office: Todd Vandermyde has changed his business name, so the lobbyist contract will need to be rewritten. There were several other errors that need to be addressed also.

Legislative: Bob urges chapters to update their legislative rep addresses so he can contact them quickly. The WDC trip is set up, there will be 8 people going this year.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn by Scott Gerke, Terry Van Huss 2nd, no discussion, motion carried.

Time: 12:04 p.m.

Submitted by Kat Conner

State Secretary