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Board of Directors meeting October 20, 2012
Meeting Location- Brookens Auditorium
University of Illinois at Springfield, One Plaza
Springfield, IL 62703

EXECUTIVE BOARD PRESENT

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| 1. State Coordinator- Mike Myers | 9. Activities-Barb Fitzpatrick |
| 2. Asst. State Coord.-Scott Gerke | 10. EC Region-Stacey Rigsby |
| 3. Secretary- Laural Stegall | 11. EC Region-Jim Cone |
| 4. Legislative- Bob Myers | 12. NW Region-Brian Enburg |
| 5. Newsletter-RJ Scroggins | 13. WC Region- Don Boland |
| 6. Public Relations-Carleen Grant | 14. WC Region- Kevin "Cap" Goudschaal |
| 7. Bike Raffle-Bob Dodson | 15. SE Region- Rick "Doc" Jones |
| 8. Office Manager-Pauli Ward | 16. NE Region-John Bloch |

EXECUTIVE BOARD ABSENT

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| 1. Treasurer-Julie Bacon (vacation) | 4. SE Region-Mick Eddington (family) |
| 2. NE Region-Jay Spivey | 5. SW Region-Rich Kinkade (vacation) |
| 3. Safety & Ed-Laura Mayer | 6. Products-Terrie VanHuss |

CHAPTERS PRESENT

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| 1. Apple Creek | 21. Hubbard Trail |
| 2. Backroads | 22. Iron Riders |
| 3. Beaucoup Bottoms | 23. Jasper County |
| 4. Black Diamond | 24. Kaskaskia Valley |
| 5. Blackhawk | 25. Kishwaukee Valley |
| 6. Central Illinois | 26. Lincolnland |
| 7. Chicago | 27. Midstate |
| 8. Children of the Corn | 28. Northern Illinois |
| 9. Crooked Creek | 29. Old River |
| 10. Crossroads | 30. Peo-Taz |
| 11. Dukane | 31. Piasa-Gateway |
| 12. Eastern Illinois | 32. River Valley |
| 13. Freebird | 33. Shoal Creek |
| 14. Freedom by Choice | 34. Southern Dupage |
| 15. Freedom Valley | 35. Southern Freedom |
| 16. Freeport | 36. Starved Rock |
| 17. Fulton County | 37. Thunder Rock |
| 18. Great River | 38. Twin Rivers (2 ³⁰ pm) |
| 19. Heart of Illinois | 39. Will County |
| 20. Heartland | 40. Windy City (arrive @ 2 ⁵⁰ pm) |

CHAPTERS ABSENT

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| 1. Big River | 13. Open Roads |
| 2. Crawford County | 14. Pathfinders |
| 3. Embarrass Valley | 15. Prairieland |
| 4. Flatlanders | 16. Richland County |

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| 5. Ford County | 17. Salt Creek |
| 6. Franklin County | 18. Shawnee Hills |
| 7. Freedom Riders | 19. South Suburban |
| 8. Heritage Trail | 20. Southern Illinois 27 |
| 9. Lamoine Valley | 21. Spoon River Riders |
| 10. Liberty | 22. St. Clair |
| 11. Lost Creek | 23. Tri County |
| 12. Northwest Suburban | 24. Union Jack |
| | 25. Wabash Valley |

GUESTS PRESENT

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| 1. Laura Anderson-Hubbard Trail | 8. Lisa Morgan-Southern Freedom |
| 2. Lanette Huddleston-Jasper County | 9. Pam Boland-Central |
| 3. Nora Phelan-Starved Rock | 10. Linda Young-Fulton County |
| 4. Carla Enburg-Blackhawk | 11. Violet "ShyVi" Roberts-Will County |
| 5. Bruce M Moore-Freedom Valley | 12. Carol Wannemacher-Liberty |
| 6. Gus Miller-Heart of Illinois | 13. Bonnie Kendall-Great River |
| 7. Emily Gomez-Chicago | |

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order on October 20, 2012 at 1:00 pm. Mike Myers, State Coordinator, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the August 18, 2012 minutes:

Will County moved to accept minutes, Starved Rock second. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business:

- 1) EBoard Nominations-EBoard nominations were opened for second round. Bill Cook declined Safety & Ed Co-Coordinator and Brian Enburg, NW Region Coordinator, withdrew his nomination.
Newsletter: Carla Enburg Nominated by: Starved Rock; 2nd by Thunder Rock
Public Relations: Mary Jo Havens Nominated by: Crooked Creek; 2nd by Freebird
NW Region Coordinator: Bill Cook Nominated by: Starved Rock; 2nd by Thunder Rock
Scott Gerke accepted by proxy
EC Region Coordinator: Larry Ackerman Nominated by: Freedom by Choice; 2nd by Heart of IL
Jim Cone accepted by proxy
Nominations were suspended until the end of the meeting per bylaws.
- 2) Letters of intent for board & rep positions-Point of Information-If anyone would like to run for ABATEPAC, FedPAC or MRF rep needs to send Letter of Intent to Newsletter.
ABATEPAC needs reps from NE region, EC region and SE region. This is a two year term.
FedPAC has openings in the NW region, EC region, and SW region. There are four positions open with a goal to have a rep from each region. This is a two year term.
MRF, D-17/AMA reps-please submit letter of intent to newsletter and/or state office.
Bylaw Review Committee-committee members need to let state office know if you want to be reelected; committee will need a new chairperson.
- 3) Rich Neb nominations close on 11/30/12.

Freedom Valley moved to close unfinished business, Will County second. Motion passed.

New Business:

- 1) 2013 Budget-EBoard put together a budget recommendation for Board of Directors approval.

The 2012 budget required removal of money from savings to operate. The money was replaced in the savings account. The 2013 balanced budget is based on real income/expenses without taking money out of savings.

Eastern Illinois moved to accept 2013 proposed budget, Thunder Rock second.

(BOD2012-24) Discussion: Expo Funding; Bob Dodson spent four days on Expo and only made profit of \$150 over expenses; was charged for booth, parking fees, gas tank inspection, unloading the bikes, hotel and food. Expo is good public relations in area. Other venues more profitable with fewer expenses. From a business standpoint, if the chapters in NE region want to keep doing the Expo, they can chip in to pay the expenses instead of the state. DuQuoin Fair/State Fair possible. More involvement in county fairs.

Heart of Illinois called the question, Eastern Illinois second. Motion passed.

Motion (BOD2012-24) passed. Yeas: Apple Creek, Backroads, Beaucoup Bottoms, Black Diamond, Blackhawk, Central Illinois, Chicago, Children of the Corn, Crooked Creek, Crossroads, Eastern Illinois, Freebird, Freedom by Choice, Freedom Valley, Freeport, Fulton County, Great River, Heart of Illinois, Heartland, Hubbard Trail, Iron Riders, Jasper County, Kaskaskia Valley, Kishwaukee Valley, Lincolnland, Midstate, Old River, Peo-Taz, Piasa-Gateway, River Valley, Shoal Creek, Southern Dupage, Southern Freedom, Starved Rock, Thunder Rock, Twin Rivers.

Nays: Dukane, Northern Illinois, Will County.

- 2) 2013 Meeting Schedule-**Thunder Rock moved to accept proposed 2013 calendar of meeting dates, Old River second. (BOD2012-25)** No discussion. **Motion passed, Northern Illinois opposed.**
- 3) Recommendation for Office Manager and Part-Time Salary-EBoard recommendation (EB2012-37) to pay Pauli Ward's (Office Manager) entire portion of her health/dental insurance as a benefit at \$300 per month. **Crossroads moved to accept EBoard recommendation to pay Pauli Ward's entire portion of her health/dental insurance as a benefit at \$300 per month, Heart of Illinois second. (BOD2012-26)** No discussion. **Motion passed. Opposed: Northern Illinois, Southern Dupage.**
- 4) Green Ribbon Rally-**Chicago moved to remove Green Ribbon Rally from Non-Preferred Vendor list, Dukane second. (BOD2012-27)** Chicago chapter predominant chapter in putting them on the list. Chapter rep has talked with them, different people/different attitude. No discussion. **Motion passed. Opposed: Heart of Illinois, Piasa-Gateway, Southern Freedom.**
- 5) Non-Preferred Vendor List-**Dukane moved to disband the Non-Preferred Vendor list, Northern Illinois second. (BOD2012-28)** Discussion: Still needed, has a purpose; same as grading politicians; chapter can be sanctioned for doing business with non-preferred vendor; how state feels about an entity; don't want to give money to support those entities that do not believe in our best interests. **Motion failed. Yeas: Chicago, Dukane, Northern Illinois, River Valley, Will County. Opposed: Apple Creek, Backroads, Beaucoup Bottoms, Black Diamond, Blackhawk, Central Illinois, Children of the Corn, Crooked Creek, Crossroads, Eastern Illinois, Freebird, Freedom by Choice, Freedom Valley, Freeport, Fulton County, Great River, Heart of Illinois, Hubbard Trail, Iron Riders, Jasper County, Kaskaskia Valley, Kishwaukee Valley, Lincolnland, Midstate, Old River, Peo-Taz, Piasa-Gateway, Shoal Creek, Southern Dupage, Southern Freedom, Starved Rock, Thunder Rock, Twin Rivers**

Piasa-Gateway moved to close new business, Will County second. Motion passed.

Officer Reports:

STATE COORDINATOR (Mike Meyers)-Has been working for the last three weeks with IDOT personnel to find the root cause of motorcycle fatalities in 2011 (last year of complete data). "We are not helping ourselves; alcohol, drugs, speed and skill level are killing us at a faster rate than

drivers pulling out in front of us. We need to change." New program using PR, Legislative and Safety & Ed needs to be proactive. "Ride Smart." Positive spin on a negative; need input from members to implement. In past we have had no participation in Traffic Safety Conference, now we are going to be a presenter. IDOT has the money, we have the manpower. Mike will be doing a presentation at the IDOT conference and our seminar. The "Ride Smart" program will kick off at seminar. We are the only state doing this with DOT. Mike has been invited back to review the 2012 fatality reports. There will be a joint release of information; IDOT and ABATE.

Break 2²⁰ - 2³⁰

ASSISTANT STATE COORDINATOR (Scott Gerke)-Seminar will be 1/18-1/20/13 at Northfield Inn, Springfield. No cancellation after Tuesday of seminar week. Reservations can be made after 12/1. Hospitality Room –Grumpy Old Men performing, donations needed, \$50 or more to have chapter name on banner. Quilt will be auctioned Saturday night. Auction items for PACS needed; Friday for FedPAC, Saturday for ABATEPAC. Flyer will be on website.

Heartland STEAM will be 3/22-3/24/13 at Grand Hotel on Brandywine Dr., Peoria. Peo-Taz will be taking care of the Hospitality room.

SECRETARY (Laural Stegall)-No report.

LEGISLATIVE (Bob Myers)-Fulton County has a noise ordinance trying to be passed, has been sent to committee with the County State's Attorney; watching developments. Bob presented the Proposed 2013 General Assembly program to be approved at December Board meeting. The Veto session will be 11/27-29 and 12/4-6. Meeting of the Mind plaques were presented. At the Meeting of the Minds, MRF encouraged chapters and members to become sustaining members. DC trip will be during the first two weeks of April. Legislative Day will be March 6, 2013. Bob will be doing a class at Heartland STEAM about our Legislative Day.

SAFETY & EDUCATION (Violet "Shy Vi" Lekic-Roberts)-Thank you to PacMan. Congratulations to Piasa-Gateway for presentations. IDOT Winter Conference will be 12/12-13, Mike Meyers will be doing a presentation. National Lifesavers Conference will be in April 14-16, 2013 in Denver.

ACTIVITIES (Barb Fitzpatrick)-Deferred account has been set up for State Party. State Party will be June 20-23, 2013. The cost will again be \$25, with an additional \$5 for Thursday; Thursday will be added as an additional day. The Swap Meet is scheduled for February and plans are underway. Barb is travelling to meet chapter Activity Coordinators to put together an "Activity Book" for chapters to get more ideas for events.

BIKE RAFFLE (Bob Dodson)-To get chapter name on product or bike raffle trailer, deadline is December 1. Pauli Ward has pictures and tickets for the bike raffle. Certificates and checks were handed out for selling over \$1000 in bike raffle tickets.

NEWSLETTER (RJ Scroggins)-No report.

STATE OFFICE (Pauli Ward)-Approximately 9900 members. AD & D Insurance only pays for death from accident, chapters can use as a benefit for increasing membership. Christmas Party will be after December BOD meeting at Crows Mill (old Bootleggers). Donations, personal or chapter, can be made any time not just at seminar, write name of associated account in memo line of check. Possibly consider TV ads or handing out applications through Secretary of State, hand out applications at MSF classes. Still working on online applications. Congratulations to Pauli Ward for working for ABATE of IL 25 years.

PUBLIC RELATIONS (Carleen Grant)-No report.

PRODUCTS-Has new trailer, working on state seminar shirts.

ABATEPAC (Neil Toepfer)-Treasurer report. Thank you for chapter donations. Need five trustees for 2013.

FEDPAC (Ryan Hubbard)-Treasurer report. Thank you for chapter donations. Need four trustees for 2013.

Panel Reports:

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MRF REP-Meeting of the Minds plaques presented. ABATE of IL received plaques for largest number of sustain members, most new members, and for support of Board and Representative. Mike Meyer has met Rick "Doc" Jones' challenge; encourage others to meet challenge. Donations can be made at any time. Turn in any Roadtrip books to Bob Meyer.

D-17/AMA Rep (Stacey Rigsby)-Talked about ATV/DNR tax concerns. Will be attending D-17 meeting in November.

Region Reports:

SW REGION (Rich Kinkade)-No report.

NE Region (John Bloch)-Activities in region.

SE REGION (Rick "Doc" Jones)-Encourage members to become MRF sustaining members.

NW REGION (Brian Enburg)-List of activities. All chapters in region sold bike raffle tickets.

WC REGION (Kevin "Cap" Goudschaal)-Region party was successful. List of activities.

EC REGION (Jim Cone)-Region meeting on 11/11.

Starved Rock moved to adjourn, Thunder Rock second. Motion passed.

**Submitted by,
Laural Stegall
State Secretary**