

A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc.
Brookens Library, UIS, Springfield, IL
Board of Directors meeting October 21, 2017
Minutes approved at December 16, 2017 meeting

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311 E. Main St. Suite 418
Galesburg, IL 61401

Cathy Brush-State Secretary
5138 Illinois St.
Loves Park, IL 61111

Chapters present:

Apple Creek	Old River
Blackhawk	Open Roads
Central Illinois	Pathfinders (1:15)
Chicago	Peo-Taz
Dukane	Piasa-Gateway
Eastern Illinois	Richland County
Flatlanders	River Valley
Freedom by Choice	Salt Creek
Freedom Riders	Shoal Creek
Freedom Valley	South Suburban
Freeport	Southern Dupage
Heart of Illinois	Southern Freedom
Heartland	Southern Illinois
Iron Riders	Spoon River Riders
Kaskaskia Valley	St. Clair County
Kishwaukee Valley	Starved Rock
Lamoine Valley	Ten Mile Creek
Liberty	Thunder Rock
Lincolnland	Tri-County
Mid-State	Twin Rivers
Northern Illinois	Will County

Chapters absent:

Backroads	Heritage Trail
Big River	Hubbard Trail
Black Diamond	Prairieland
Crawford County	Shawnee Hills
Embaras Valley	State Line Riders
Franklin County	Union Jack
Freebird	Windy City
Great River	

Executive board present:

State Coordinator-Ryan Hubbard
Assistant State Coordinator-Jim "Legs" Korte
Secretary-Cathy Brush
Office Manager-Paula "Pauli" Ward
Legislative Coordinator-Dan Harper (arrived 11:05 a.m.)
Safety & Ed. Coordinator- Mike Brush

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Public Relations Coordinator-Shirley "Swirl" Lacock
Bike Raffle Coordinator-Howard Nation
Activities Coordinators-Dennis Byron (arrived 10:36 a.m.)
Newsletter Coordinator-Carla Enburg
Products Coordinator-Tracey Eddington
Northeast Region Coordinator-Dawn Winterfeldt
East Central Region Coordinator-Scott Carter (arrived at 10:32 a.m.)
South East Region Coordinator-Mick Eddington
Southwest Region Coordinator- Wayne Cornick
West Central Region Coordinator – Don Boland

Executive board absent:

Treasurer-Julie Bacon
Northwest Region Coordinator-Sandy Murrell
South East Region Coordinator-Bob Stout

Guests present:

Kurt Husen - Kishwaukee Valley
Roy Lawson – Kishwaukee Valley
Howdy – Eastern Illinois
Frank Wyda – no chapter listed
Doug Campbell – Freedom Riders
Nora Kleckner – Starved Rock
Catarina Rogers – Lamoine Valley Chapter
Amanda Gotte – Dukane Chapter
Dennis K – Piasa-Gateway
Kevin Smil – open Roads
Barbara Isaacs – Chapter 27
Pam Boland – Central Illinois
Beth Don – Blackhawk
Mark Werries – Lincolnland
Rob McHugh – Heart of Illinois
John Umgelden – South Suburban
Josh Witkowski – Lincolnland
Alan G – no chapter listed
Toby Osborne – Ten Mile Creek
Kerry Lundberg – Heartland/Starved Rock

Meeting being recorded for accuracy
Turn off cell phones

Ryan Hubbard started the meeting off with the Pledge of Allegiance followed with a moment of silence at 1:04pm.

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Motion to accept the secretary notes made by Piasa-Gateway, Freedom by Choice 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed. None opposed.

Officer Reports:

State Coordinator: - Ryan Hubbard – Discussed the American Income Life you as a member with A.B.A.T.E have the \$3000 accidental death and dismemberment with no further action from you. If you return the card with beneficiary, they will contact you.

Central Region Rider Cycle training program for Central Illinois worked everything out and region coordination duties was given to Illinois Central College and all training courses will be held at same location as last year. IDOT winter conference is December 13-14th at the Northfield Inn, I will be speaking, Safety & Ed, PR and Legislative will be there.

Talked about in packet the advertisement for Webmaster for the State Website. Review and have then return to office and be present at the November 18, 2017 Eboard meeting at the Northfield Inn and go through all information and have discussions with them and come back to December BOD with recommendation for Webmaster. This will be printed in next newsletter also.

Assistant State Coordinator: - Jim “Legs” Korte - Working on the Seminar has the agenda laid out and will be able to plug in workshops that will be happening.

Secretary: - Cathy Brush – Nothing

Treasurer: - Julie Bacon – 990 papers will be mailed on December 1st if you wish to be mailed to any address other than chapter’s address contact Julie. Windy City has not turned in any paperwork yet.

Legislative Coordinator: - Dan Harper – Chapters should be reaching out and helping with campaigns at this time. Some are moving offices and some retiring. Get information into Fedpac and State Pac do reports to the Pac’s give them your opinion. Survey’s will come back. Tentative date for grading session is January 6th. Help anyone you want at this time if you feel they would be a good supporter. SB2233 this bill was introduced last Wednesday appropriations bill for DNR to release the money for the off-road. Only 6 days for this veto session. Johnson City area sport rider guy club member ran a stop sign the officer chased him and performed a pit maneuver on the guy to stop him. Harvard, IL we are looking at this closer this has said to have been expanded to all with motorcycle vests whether colors or not. Supposedly a law was passed regarding this.

Motion made to accept 2018 Legislative agenda, made by Eastern Illinois, Tri-County 2nd. Motion passed. None opposed. BOD2017-28

Talked about IPASS January 1, 2018 a new law that every vehicle must have its own transponder.

Talked about the lobbyist contract in your packets at the September eboard meeting questions were raised about contract. On page 2 anything underlined is the changes made. 4.03 but a limit of \$10,000 on all expenses Todd stated he would go to \$7,000. Expenses up this year as they were in session for

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additional 2 months. He understands to be considerate when using. 4.04 changed wording that if lobbyist chooses to part ways or A.B.A.T.E chooses to end contract the total paid would be pro-rated. Take back to chapter and if any other questions arise let us know. We will vote on this at the December BOD meeting. Whoever is going to be in the position will be in attendance to answer questions.

Office Manager - Paula "Pauli" Ward – Membership holding steady. Black Diamond and Flatlanders have not paid their liability insurance for 2017.

Blackhawk asked for clarity on the \$2 fee for using credit card for membership applications. This was decided as this is the cost we pay to process the payment.

Piasa-Gateway wanted to get back on what are the sanctions for Windy City, they are to have paperwork every month on how to handle the accounting.

Motion made to start the charter review process for Windy City at the December BOD meeting made by Freedom by Choice, Thunder Rock 2nd. Motion Passed. River Valley and Will County opposed. BOD2017-29

Motion made to stop printing the down rider cards, made by Blackhawk, Piasa-Gateway 2nd. Talked about using webpage but we would need approval that people would want their number on internet. Opposed Central Illinois, Chicago, Eastern Illinois, Flatlanders, Freedom by Choice, Freedom Riders, Freedom Valley, Freeport, Heart of Illinois, Iron Riders, Kaskaskia Valley, Lamoine Valley, Lincolnland, Mid-state, Old River, Pathfinders, Peo-Taz, Shoal Creek, Southern Freedom, Southern Illinois, Spoon River Riders, St. Clair County, Ten Mile Creek, Thunder Rock, Tri-County, Twin Rivers and Will County. Motion failed. BOD2017-30

Asked if anyone wants a new voter's card let her know and she will make a new one for you.

Safety & Education - Mike Brush – Went to conference in Kentucky by 2050 there will be no accidents on the roads. Well that is a little out there. We are down on classroom presentations for safety & education total right now of students is 9,928 which was 414 classes only 21 chapters doing presentations currently. Motorcycle fatalities up 8% over last year. Need reports turned in to receive pens and key fobs. All reports must be turned December 15th for seminar certificates. Kishwaukee Valley donation to Safety & Ed.

Products - Tracey Eddington – Working on getting shirts for seminar.

Newsletter - Carla Enburg – Deadline December 9th.

Public Relations - Shirley "Swirl" Lacock – Proclamations and any articles to her by December BOD meeting to receive recognition at seminar.

Bike Raffle - Howard Nation – Ryan provided. He is trying new venues, flea markets and so far, doing good.

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Wayne Cornick gave out certificates and checks for Bike Raffle sales for 2017. Pauli has checks for those not mentioned.

Activities - Dennis Byron – Starting on party for next year. Flyers done for February swap meet.

15-minute break @ 2:06 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Motion to combine January/February and November/December 2018 issues of Newsletter from August BOD with motion number BOD2017-25**

Motion made to amend motion BOD2017-25 to combine March/April and November/December 2018 newsletters, made by Starved Rock, Old River 2nd. Opposed Freeport, Salt Creek and Will County. Amendment Passed. BOD2017-31

Motion to combine March/April and November/December 2018 newsletter. Opposed Will County. Motion Passed BOD2017-34

2nd round of Nominations for E-Board

SW REGION – Open
SE REGION – Mike Eddington co-chair Bob Stout
WC REGION – Don Boland
NW REGION – Sandy Murrell
NE REGION – Dawn Winterfeldt
EC REGION – Scott Carter co-chair – Scott Gambrill
ACTIVITIES – Mark Werries
BIKE RAFFLE – Howard Nation
PUBLIC RELATIONS – Shirley Lacock co-chair Brian Dukes
NEWSLETTER – Janet Thompson
PRODUCTS – Tracy Eddington
SAFETY & ED – Mike Brush
LEGISLATIVE – Dan Harper
Josh Witkowski
Amanda Gotte
TREASURER – Paul Truax
SECRETARY – Cathy Brush
ASST. STATE COORDINATOR – Dennis Byron and Jeff Marsh
STATE COORDINATOR – Ryan Hubbard

Motion made to close old business made by Heart of Illinois, Freedom by Choice 2nd, motion passed. None opposed.

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NEW BUSINESS

1. 2018 Budget –

Motion made to accept 2018 budget as written, made by Freedom of Choice, Thunder Rock 2nd. Discussion was made, brought up emailing newsletter, State Party line that showed donations being gone and questioned about Legislative line. Motion passed. None Opposed. BOD2017-32

Amendment made to BOD2017-32 to add a line for Legislative expenses being a separate line such as Legislative day and Federal Trip, made by Dukane, River Valley 2nd. Discussion was had. Opposed Apple Creek, Blackhawk, Central Illinois, Eastern Illinois, Freedom Riders, Freedom Valley, Freeport, Heart of Illinois, Kaskaskia Valley, Kishwaukee Valley, Piasa-Gateway, Spoon River Riders, St. Clair County, Starved Rock, Ten Mile Creek, Thunder Rock, Tri-County and Twin Rivers. Amendment Failed. BOD2017-33

2. Pauli mentioned Christmas Party at Route 66 again this year. More food has been ordered.

Motion to close New Business made by Piasa-Gateway, Thunder Rock 2nd, no further discussion. None opposed. Motion passed.

PANEL REPORTS

AMA.DIST. 17 – Ryan gave report from Hunter John still no money for off-road SB2233 make some calls.

MRF – Meeting of the minds received several recognitions from the MRF. Ryan will run for the chairman position for the position that Jim “Legs” Korte stepped down from.

PAC REPORTS –

ABATE PAC – Pac register in packet

FEDPAC – Financial report in packet. Elizabeth Winters gave report. Thanked everyone for their support. Let us know if there are any events that you wish us to support give us a call. Chairman Dennis Yeager and Jim “Legs” Korte Co-coordinator are stepping down. There will be 4 open trustee positions. Submit letter of intent to the board if interested. Elizabeth will run for chairman.

REGION REPORTS –

NE REGION - Dawn Winterfeldt – discussed events in area

NW REGION - Sandy Murrell - absent

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WC REGION - Don Boland – discussed events in area

EC REGION - Scott Carter – Not much going on.

SE REGION – Mick Eddington – discussed about charities and we need to support our own Pac's and organization

SW REGION - Wayne Cornick – No Marble Run for 2018.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting made by River Valley, Dukane 2nd. Mid-Sate opposed. Motion passed.

Adjourned at 3:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Brush
Secretary