

A.B.A.T.E. of ILLINOIS, INC
Executive Board Meeting, September 16, 2017
VFW Post 755
2211 Old Jacksonville Road
Springfield, IL 62701
Minutes approved at October 21, 2017 meeting

A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc. Office
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Cathy Brush- State Secretary
5138 Illinois St
Loves Park, IL 61111

Executive board present:

State Coordinator-Ryan Hubbard
Assistant State Coordinator-Jim "Legs" Korte
Secretary-Cathy Brush
Treasurer-Julie Bacon
Office Manager-Paula "Pauli" Ward
Legislative Coordinator-Dan Harper
Activities Coordinators-Dennis Byron
Northeast Region Coordinator-Dawn Winterfeldt
Northwest Region Coordinator-Sandy Murrell
East Central Region Coordinator-Scott Carter
South East Region Coordinator-Mick Eddington
South East Region Coordinator-Bob Stout
Southwest Region Coordinator- Wayne Cornick

Executive board absent:

West Central Region Coordinator-Don Boland – excused
Safety & Ed. Coordinator-Mike Brush - excused
Public Relations Coordinator-Shirley "Swirl" Lacock - excused
Newsletter Coordinator-Carla Enburg - excused
Products Coordinator-Tracy Eddington - excused
Bike Raffle Coordinator-Howard Nation - excused

Guests present:

Josh Witkowski	Lincolnland
Mark Werries	Lincolnland
Bob Myers	Piasa-Gateway

Meeting was called to order by Ryan Hubbard leading the board and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance followed with a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters at 10:30am Central Time

Motion made by Sandy Murrell to accept the minutes, Wayne Cornick 2nd, there were changes made to notes and approved. Motion passed.

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State Coordinator: Ryan Hubbard – Webmaster contract up for review. Talk of bidding this out. Will be brought up at October BOD meeting that anyone interested needs to submit qualifications to Pauli at the office for us to review at the November EBOARD meeting for us to review.

Rod Taylor talked to myself about doing the scholarship a different way. Some ideas were to open to go towards safety classes for taking off work or staying somewhere and would not be the full amount, A.B.A.T.E internship w/lobbyist for 2 weeks using the scholarship to pay for expenses. Will tell Rod to start creating frame work and we will review.

Will be talking about the budget today.

Assistant State Coordinator: Jim “Legs” Korte – Will talk to people at Meeting of the Minds regarding being guest speakers at the seminar. Ron Braaksma will be there with the simulator machine, he could do a workshop type setting. Nothing yet to give to Carla for State Paper. Ryan stated that all officers need to put on a session at seminar. Will talk to Slyder about coming to seminar doing something during general session.

Secretary: Cathy Brush - EBOARD meeting in November will be at Northfield Inn and Suites not at VFW. Josh offered to help find a location for EBOARD/BOD meetings for 2018.

Treasurer: Julie Bacon – Windy City once on time and correct since April 2011. Writing checks for membership from personal account not chapter. They are not reporting correctly. Dawn will try to talk to them and see what she can do.

Legislative: Dan Harper - Talked about the HB2402 sound ordinance they took out motorcycle tying to move in January w/amendment. Off road highway fund not appropriated in budget this was DNR mess up, veto session bill being worked on by DNR. Election season: 15 spots open/offices vacant. Our friends are going have primary races this year. Grading session will be January 6th A.B.A.T.E PAC, FED PAC should be same time. March 13th is election day so we need at minimum in March Paper. Voter’s guide may be needed depending on vote at October BOD meeting. Ryan asked about No vest for Legislative, the person we would have given did not attend anything that he was invited, too. Will not be going to Meeting of the Minds but will get Ryan information. Trip to DC is a no go this year. Paper certificate for Legislative champions decided to go with a vest for the top 2 and paper certificate for others at Meeting of the Minds.

Safety & Education: absent

Products: absent

Newsletter: absent – Deadline October 14th.

Public Relations: absent

Bike Raffle: absent. 2018 Breakout, ATV and dirt bike.

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Office Manager: Pauli Ward – Provided membership numbers. Black Diamond, Flatlanders and Freedom Valley still owe for insurance. Christmas party at Route 66 what are peoples thought. Brough up a Junior membership that was received from a chapter and that we do not officially have an A.B.A.T.E Junior membership and wording needs to be change on form and not sent to state office for processing. Nothing was officially put in By-laws about this. Pauli been in office for 30 years. Cathy searched minutes to find exact wording on these talks from August 2014. Not action on by-law but can have a program to work with children. Dawn will work with chapter to get paper re-worded and not mention A.B.A.T.E membership at all.

Activities: Dennis Byron and Mark Werries - Working on next year events. Feb 18th Swap Meet. No timeline given on proposal. Wet t-shirt contest open to public feeling was not liked, bad PR, this is not set in stone. Saturday night events to Friday night. Different things being talked about what will be done on Friday compared to Saturday. Talking to sponsors and signing a letter of commitment to lock this in, will have more information on where they are at by December meeting. Need to get money for swap meet trophies. Sponsorship money will be spent first before budget money touched. Bob Meyers asked if one sponsorship was the petroleum people as they are disappointed in us and have stated they will not donate to us any longer. Mark will check on this further.

Unfinished Business:

Motion made by Dawn Winterfeldt to close unfinished business, Mick Eddington 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed.

----- Break 30 minute taken at 12:46 p.m. -----

New Business:

- 1. Employee Review** – Pauli stated she does work from home once a week but is calling voicemail every hour to see if there are any messages. No further discussion on this was made.
- 2. Newsletter** – Talk was had about making this position not being part of EBOARD meetings and a none voting position. That lead to other positions being mentioned as ones that could fall under that but will it cause an issue with others. Positions talked about that this would not apply to: State Coordinator, Asst. State Coordinator, Secretary, Legislative, Office Manager, Activities and Safety & Education. Talk was had about what qualifies as an un-excused absence and that decision is made by Ryan. Would require a by-law change approved by BOD. No decision was come to. This was a thought brought up by Carla herself, she has not committed to anything if there was a change in attendance. Discussion was had about what value is brought by certain positions to every meeting, is it worth having them attend every meeting. Possible further discussion before we take before taking to BOD meeting. Suggestion leave as it is and give leeway to person in position.

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3. 2018 Budget – discussion was made on all line items.

Motion made by Dawn Winterfeldt to take budget proposal to the board, Jim “Legs” Korte 2nd, motion passed. None opposed. EB2017-13

4. Pauli proposed to go back to the way it used to be to have supplies at April meeting and all this paperwork going back and forth is causing issues with people getting supplies.

Motion made by Pauli Ward to have all PR supplies handed out at the April BOD meeting so everyone had their items for May Motorcycle Awareness month, Dawn Winterfeldt 2nd, discussion was made to have paperwork filled out and to PR person before meeting, motion passed. None opposed. EB2017-12

Motion made by Dawn Winterfeldt to close New Business, Scott Carter 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed.

Region Reports:

NE Region – Dawn stated we may lose the River Valley chapter. Trying to assist them.

NW Region – Sandy Murrell talked about that she is working with Thunder Rock chapter. \$886 to Fedpac for convergence run event.

EC Region - Scott Carter talked about in March 3, 2018 East meets West Chili Cook off in Springfield, IL.

WC Region - absent

SE Region – Mick said everything quiet.

SW Region – Wayne Cornick talked about Apple Creek and Black Diamond are having problems.

Motion made by Sandy Murrell to close the meeting, Julie Bacon 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed.

Meeting closed at 4:34 p.m.