

A.B.A.T.E. of ILLINOIS, Inc

Board of Director's Meeting, June 16, 2018

Brookens Library

Springfield, Il 62701

Minutes approved August 18, 2018

A.B.A.T.E. of Illinois, Inc. Office

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Cathy Brush - State Secretary

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Loves Park, IL 61111

Chapters present:

Backroads	Lincolmland
Black Diamond (1:10 p.m.)	Midstate
Blackhawk	Open Roads (1:05 p.m.)
Central	Pathfinders
Chicago	Peo-Taz
Dukane (1:25 p.m.)	Piasa-Gateway
Eastern Illinois	Prairieland
Flatlanders	Richland County
Franklin County	Salt Creek
Freedom By Choice	Shoal Creek
Freedom Riders	Southern DuPage
Freedom Valley	Southern Illinois 27
Freeport	Spoon River Riders
Great River (1:40p.m.)	St. Clair
Heart of Illinois	Starved Rock
Heartland	Thunder Rock
Heritage Trail	Twin Rivers
Kaskaskia Valley	Will County (1:05 p.m.)
Kishwaukee Valley	Windy City (2:35 p.m.)
Lamoine Valley	

Executive board present:

State Coordinator-Ryan Hubbard

Assistant State Coordinator-Jeff Marsh

Secretary-Cathy Brush

Treasurer-Paul Truax

Office Manager-Paula "Pauli" Ward

Public Relations Coordinator-Brian Dukes

Products Coordinator-Tracey Eddington

Legislative Coordinator-Josh Witkowski

Safety & Ed. Coordinator- Mike Brush

Bike Raffle Coordinator-Howard Nation

Activities Coordinators-Mark Werries

Newsletter Coordinator-Janet Thompson

Northeast Region Coordinator-Dawn Winterfeldt

Northwest Region Coordinator-Sandy Murrell

South East Region Coordinator-Bob Stout

South East Region Coordinator-Mick Eddington

Southwest Region Coordinator- Dennis Kinnikin

East Central Region Coordinator-Scott Carter

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Executive board absent:

East Central Region Coordinator-John Gambrell

Southwest Region Coordinator-Dennis Kinnikin

West Central Region Coordinator-Don Boland

Guests present:

Chris Zimmerman – Freeport

Gus Miller – Heart of Illinois

Liz Lawson – Kishwaukee Valley

Rob McHugh – State

Greg Lybarger – Central Illinois

Michelle Addison - Freedom Riders

Barry Autery – Piasa Gateway

Jewels A Branger

Alan G

Diana Rebechini – Southern DuPage

Patrick & Melissa Brinkschroeder – Lamoine Valley

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 1:02 p.m. Central Time.

Motion made by Thunder Rock to accept secretary minutes, Heart of Illinois 2nd, no further discussion or corrections noted. Motion carried.

State Coordinator: Ryan Hubbard – Brought up about how we communicate regarding our organization is doing. Please keep all comments and posts via social media positive.

Assistant State Coordinator: Jeff Marsh – Talked about State seminar and our option for lunch on Saturday and do cheaper. Keeping ticket prices, the same. Been looking for Heartland Steam location for 2020. No progress on Non-Preferred Vendor list and is still working on getting information from old computer to new computer.

Secretary: Cathy Brush – Had one person reach out regarding position.

Treasurer: Paul Truax – nothing for treasurer's report.

Legislative: Josh Witkowski – Will be return Legislative to March next year. Report was given to all BOD reps. Possibility of doing buses from different parts of the state to bring people to capital and take them back to make it more interactive. Changing format of day too. Mid to late April for DC trip 2019. Working with Hebron to revise their laws and match Harvard. HB5873 and HB5874 anti-profiling legislative will wait until early next year for voting. Will get our guidelines on how to deal with bars and places that say no colors allowed. We must be careful on how we represent our selves as it makes it very difficult for myself to go in talk to these places. EPA meeting went well and talked about labeling on pumps HR5855. Talked about autonomous vehicles and working to getting more restrictions and testing. Asked about interest in working to have course change for motorcycle tests to be more like a car test and not the closed course. Give Josh any input as to what you wish him to work on next legislative session. Preliminary in August so they can take back to chapter and get opinions.

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Safety & Education: Mike Brush – Talked about the fatality counts that IDOT has provided to him. 5/14 – 6/13 total of 15 fatalities. New supplies are here and are in our car for those that requested them. Be sure to keep hydrated while riding. The guy that was doing the film has been in the hospital and is recovering now, once he is available he will continue working on video.

Products: Tracey Eddington – Everything ready for the State Party.

Newsletter: Janet Thompson – Talked about business sponsorships for the paper.

Public Relations: Brian Dukes – Talked about wanting new ideas for giveaways.

Bike Raffle: Howard Nation – absent out selling tickets. Bike needs place to go last week of August. Chapters can order more supplies and give a donation.

Office Manager: Pauli Ward – Thanked Prairieland for donations. I have applications with me and please take them back if you need them. If you wish to be added to email list for Secretary Notes please see me after meeting.

Activities: Mark Werries – Working on getting final donations for the State Party. We need to make this party the best to make ends meet. We need to work up the event to get more sales and attendance. Will have final numbers for August meeting. Pauli gave the chapters and times they are working the gate at State Party.

Break – 2:07 p.m.

Janet mentioned that she was talking about business sponsors for the State paper not your local newsletter.

Josh talked about Hardin Cty put a helmet law for any passenger under the age of 16 on an ATV on the county roads, Carroll Cty is also looking at this for trails. We are working on this.

Unfinished Business:

1. Tabled scholarship investigation discussion – Motion BOD2018-05.

Paul Truax – Spoke with Rod Taylor, George Tinkham and the State CPA. The short answer...The State Scholarship is deemed good and within our scope of business. Please keep any scholarships related to our mission statement. Additional IRS paperwork is required for an individual Essay winner receiving more than \$5000.00.

Motion made by Heart of Illinois to close unfinished business, Thunder Rock 2nd, no further discussion, none opposed. Motion passed.

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New Business:

Dan Kleckner talked about each chapter giving \$1 per member to go toward the MRF Pledge. Starved Rock donated.

Motion made by Thunder Rock to close New Business, Heart of Illinois 2nd, no further discussion, none opposed. Motion passed.

PAC Reports

ABATE PAC – Neal – no report. Financials in BOD packets.

Fed Pac – Elizabeth – no report. Excused. Financials in BOD packets.

Panel Reports

MRF – Dennis – no report. Per Ryan - Biker's inside the Beltway had about 200 people there. MRF board meetings were held while there. We picked a few sponsors on the anti-profiling bills. This was the 10th annual and trying to grow this event. Meeting of the Minds in Denver, CO is the 3rd weekend of September.

AMA/District 17 – Hunter John absent.

Region Reports:

NE Region – Dawn – Talked about events in her area.

NW Region – Sandy will not be at August meeting. Talked about events that are going on. Convergence Run August 25th. Freeport starting Facebook page.

EC Region – Scott – nothing to report. See you all at State Party.

WC Region – Don was absent.

SE Region – Mick – Encouraged everyone to get and help politicians.

SW Region – Skinny (excused) Ryan gave report. Gun Raffle tickets being sold need done by July. Has talked to Black Diamond and been to a few meetings.

Motion made by Piasa-Gateway to adjourn the meeting, St Clair 2nd, no further discussion, motion carried.

Meeting closed at 3:11 p.m.