

A.B.A.T.E. of ILLINOIS, INC
Executive Board Meeting, March 17, 2018
Northfield Inn and Suites
Springfield, Il 62702
Minutes approved April 14, 2018

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Cathy Brush - State Secretary
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Executive board present:

Assistant State Coordinator-Jeff Marsh
Secretary-Cathy Brush
Treasurer-Paul Truax
Office Manager-Paula "Pauli" Ward
Legislative Coordinator-Josh Witkowski
Public Relations Coordinator-Brian Dukes
Safety & Ed. Coordinator- Mike Brush
Bike Raffle Coordinator-Howard Nation
Products Coordinator-Tracey Eddington (left at 12:27)
Activities Coordinators-Mark Werries
Newsletter Coordinator-Janet Thompson
Northeast Region Coordinator-Dawn Winterfeldt
Northwest Region Coordinator-Sandy Murrell
West Central Region Coordinator-Don Boland
South East Region Coordinator-Mick Eddington (left at 12:27)
Southwest Region Coordinator- Dennis Kinnikin:
East Central Region Coordinator-Scott Carter

Executive board absent:

State Coordinator-Ryan Hubbard
East Central Region Coordinator-John Gambrell
South East Region Coordinator-Bob Stout

Guests present:

Chris Zimmerman – Freeport
Pam Boland – Central Illinois
Bob Myers

Meeting was called to order by Jeff Marsh leading the board and guests in the Pledge of Allegiance followed with a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters at 10:31 a.m. Central Time.

Motion made by Sandy Murrell to accept secretary minutes, Mick Eddington 2nd, no further discussion or corrections noted. Motion carried.

State Coordinator: Ryan Hubbard – absent

Assistant State Coordinator: Jeff Marsh talked about contracts are signed for the seminar. We have crossed off section for the lunch on Saturday for further discussion and look at options to save free. I will explore all options and Pam is willing to work with us on this. Talked about using the hospitality room and move to a bigger room and have people donate food to eat. We are going to push for people to pre-

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register for 2019. Anyone can submit suggestions about classes a.s.a.p. Will work to add when pre-registration that they can pre-purchase a shirt. Make post registration date a bigger difference than \$10.00. Keep better track of who donates to the seminar and the banners on the wall and get with those that don't send in and see if they wish to and will look for other sponsors. Even a suggestion was not to have lunch, however if people leave the location for lunch they may not be back on time or at all for the classes. Will research every option with Pam. Look for chapters/sponsors to pay for lunch and dinner completely.

Secretary: Cathy Brush talked about an email that was received regarding coffee for the meetings. If someone wants a request, please come to myself or Pauli. They were going to charge \$24/gallon for the coffee. Coffee is free in the lobby. Next meeting at University April 14th.

Treasurer: Paul Truax stated only chapter yet to turn in their 990 is Richland County, I am talking with them and waiting for a signature on the updated correct form. Mick stated he is doing a session in Centralia, IL Sunday March 25th to go over charity and other things chapters are doing per IRS rules. Pauli advised he needs to discuss with Rod Taylor regarding us not doing scholarships as A.B.A.T.E. at state level does them every year, before telling chapters they cannot do them.

Legislative: Josh Witkowski talked about the primary races. Also advised that we not help with the governor's ride this year as we are not benefiting in anyway from this. Autonomous vehicle bill unlikely to move waiting on Federal backing, we are on the task force as advisor committee member. Tandem control trucking bill pending. Greener fuel act we need to keep an eye on. Talked about profiling and working on wording. Federal level now looking at E30 now. Legislative day is April 25, 2018 gun owners have the afternoon. Check your spam folder for the legislative alerts they are marking them, click on email and mark as not spam. Advised who will be going on the Washington, DC trip on May 13th leaving come back on 17th or 18th. Jeff Marsh stated we need to move forward in this organization.

Break – 15 minutes

Office Manager: Pauli Ward Office will be closed March 26 – 30th. Brought new year end report. Rooms reserved for night before rally in May. At swap meet signed up new members on both sides of the meet.

Safety & Education: Mike Brush talked about getting banners for the chapters per some requests he has received, the bigger banners that go on sides of buildings or fences. Will investigate this further. Ride Smart program is at a stand still trying to get into IDOT. Working on getting another person for video as original person raised the price

Products: Tracey Eddington ordered shirts for Rally on May 6th. I will be down for a couple of months due to health. Mick and Pauli will work with products until Tracey gets back.

Newsletter: Janet Thompson due date is April 14th. We will post other's ads if they pay for the ad. Talked about advertisement for the newsletter and needing more to help offset cost of paper. She will send the advertisement pricing to everyone to get out to others.

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Public Relations: Brian Dukes received supplied from Ryan. Shirley is no longer helping with the position. Will have supplied at the April meeting for May awareness month. Working on public relations for the rally.

Bike Raffle: Howard Nation had to leave early.

Activities: Mark Werries had to leave early. Sandy will put in paper to contact her for some other accommodation for state party if someone does not want to camp.

Unfinished Business:

1. PR – Shirley is done, and Ryan picked up supplies. Will get them to Brian ASAP - **Brian has received all supplied from Ryan. Any help for Brian would be helpful.**
2. Plaques for Seminar – Dennis Byron was to research – **carry to next month Dennis not in attendance.**
3. Seminar Prices – Continued discussion from February 2018 E-Board Meeting - **carry over to next month Jeff looking into things for lunches before we decide to raise price of getting in.**

Motion made by Scott Carter to close unfinished business, Sandy Murrell 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed.

New Business:

1. July 14th meeting.

Motion made by Pauli Ward to cancel the July 14th meeting, Don Boland 2nd, no discussion. None opposed. Motion Passed. EB2018-01

Executive Session started at 12:49 p.m. ended at 1:36 p.m.

2. Chapter logo Lamoine Valley

Motion made by Sandy Murrell to approve logo for Lamoine Valley, Don Boland 2nd, no discussion. None opposed. Motion passed. EB2018-02

3. Application for credit given to Pauli for Josh to get printing done.

Motion made by Sandy Murrell to approve logo for Lamoine Valley, Don Boland 2nd, no discussion. None opposed. Motion passed. EB2018-02

Motion made by Pauli Ward to close New Business, Don Boland 2nd, no further discussion, motion passed.

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Region Reports:

NE Region – Dawn asked about the Windy City appearance, was advised that nothing happened they are still a chapter. Asked if she can ask for 990's every month and yes you can request them.

NW Region – nothing

EC Region – East won Chili Shoot out.

WC Region – Advised would be unable to attend June meeting.

SE Region – Mick had left so no report.

SW Region – Gun Raffle going on and swap meet. Been working on getting with all chapters and see how things are going and answering any questions.

Motion made by Sandy Murrell to adjourn the meeting, Scott Carter 2nd, no further discussion, motion carried.

Meeting closed at 1:36 p.m.

Respectfully,

Cathy Brush