

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

**Executive Board Meeting, April 14, 2018**

Brookens Library UIC

Springfield, Il 62701

**Minutes approved on May 5, 2018**

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

311 E. Main, Ste 418

Galesburg, Il 61401

**Cathy Brush - State Secretary**

5138 Illinois St

Loves Park, IL 61111

**Executive board present:**

State Coordinator-Ryan Hubbard

Assistant State Coordinator-Jeff Marsh

Secretary-Cathy Brush

Treasurer-Paul Truax

Office Manager-Paula "Pauli" Ward

Legislative Coordinator-Josh Witkowski (10:34 a.m. arrived)

Safety & Ed. Coordinator- Mike Brush

Newsletter Coordinator-Janet Thompson

Activities Coordinators-Mark Werries

Northeast Region Coordinator-Dawn Winterfeldt

Northwest Region Coordinator-Sandy Murrell

West Central Region Coordinator-Don Boland

Southwest Region Coordinator- Dennis Kinnikin

East Central Region Coordinator-Scott Carter

East Central Region Coordinator-John Gambrill

**Executive board absent:**

Bike Raffle Coordinator-Howard Nation

Products Coordinator-Tracey Eddington

South East Region Coordinator-Mick Eddington

South East Region Coordinator-Bob Stout

**Guests present:**

Roy Lawson – Kishwaukee Valley

Chris Zimmerman – Freeport

Pam Boland – Central Illinois

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 10:31 A.M. c.s.t.

**Motion made by Sandy Murrell to accept secretary minutes, Scott Carter 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion or corrections noted. Motion carried.**

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**State Coordinator:** Ryan Hubbard we have gained 99+ members since January 2018.

**Assistant State Coordinator:** Jeff Marsh has been finding drawings and old things that are historical to A.B.A.T.E and wanting to mat and frame and auction at the Seminar. We are moving in a forward direction with membership. Dawn and myself looking at starting back on revising the NPVL and would like to work to finish what has been started. Work through some opposite points. Ryan said if they needed to add people to the committee that is fine and will need something by February 2019 as that is when it comes before BOD to approve. Dawn stated to have something early like the December 2017 meeting to give proposal to BOD.

**Secretary:** Cathy Brush asked again to be mindful of talking during meeting as side talking and over talking each other it is hard to hear.

**Motion made by Scott Carter to move May 5th meeting to 1:00 p.m., Pauli Ward 2nd, no discussion. None opposed. Motion Passed. EB2018-03**

Also, will not be running for position next year. If anyone is interested I will work with them to show how to be secretary. Heartland Steam will be Omaha, NE March 23-24, 2019. We will have in 2020. Need to start looking for a place for us to host. Meeting of the Minds will be in Bloomington - Minneapolis, MN area for 2019. Also, for Meeting of the Minds we need to come up a carnival theme event.

**Treasurer:** Paul Truax talked about scholarships and if motorcycle related then it is fine. If not motorcycle related, then needs to be reviewed. 990 is a big picture of yearly income and expense does not need all the breakdowns. Pauli mentioned we will have to decide what to do with Richland County and need their 990 by May 1<sup>st</sup>, Paul said he will wait to say further after BOD meeting.

**Legislative:** Josh Witkowski Hardin County what chapter? Per Pauli Shawnee Hills. Off-road ordinance for helmet under 18 and was supposed to be changed but was not. Working on side by side up by Rockford. Is working with local chapters in areas that issues arise in. Legislative Day we need to have a good group there it will be a busy day. Have 2 writeups on the profile issue. One states an association and not motorcycle, so this could assist with other groups with issues.

**Safety & Education:** Mike Brush nothing for up here.

**Products:** Tracey Eddington **absent**

**Newsletter:** Janet Thompson nothing for here.

**Public Relations:** Brian Dukes looking at labeling bottle water and it looks pricey. Looking for new ideas for promotions.

**Bike Raffle:** Howard Nation **absent**

**Office Manager:** Pauli Ward brought up this is the 32<sup>nd</sup> state party not 31<sup>st</sup>, Mark will talk with Tracey about shirts.

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**Activities:** Mark Werries asked by Capitol radio group that is Ryan and Josh would do a talk at the Awareness Rally. Jeff asked if we must be there at a certain time. We do discuss this at the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting as to time and what is needed to do. Pauli asked about the waiver and that people do not like to hold up bikes while signing a waiver. Maybe have someone in the aisles to get waivers. Josh stated that Megan from MRF will be coming to rally. Making sure she has place to stay and a bike to ride. We all need to work hard on advertising the State Party. Public tickets \$30 in advance and \$40 at the door for the concert Saturday.

**Motion made by Dawn Winterfeldt to close officer's report, Scott Carter 2<sup>nd</sup>, no discussion. Motion passed.**

**Unfinished Business:**

1. **Seminar Prices** – Jeff continuing to work on. Reminder for people to bring ideas to help save money.
2. **Plaques for Seminar** – Dennis not in attendance. Per Pauli this is what she got from Dennis: 7 x 9 \$30.00 ours are 9 x11. Pauli advised him of this. Also, he needs to be working Christmas Party.

**Motion made by Dawn Winterfeldt to close unfinished business, Sandy Murrell 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion passed.**

**New Business:**

No New Business

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**Region Reports:**

**NE Region** – nothing

**NW Region** – Sandy asked about needing a license at the final stop for convergence run, yes you need a license to do a poker run.

**EC Region** – nothing

**WC Region** – nothing

**SE Region** – absent

**SW Region** – Dennis talked about Swap Meet's and selling raffle tickets.

**Motion made by Pauli Ward to adjourn the meeting, Scott Carter 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion, motion carried.**

**Meeting closed at 11:44 p.m. c.s.t.**