



ABATE of Alaska
Board Meeting Minutes
04 February 2016

I. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM - Quorum is present.

Four of Seven Board Members needed to establish Quorum:

- +Dan “Havoc” Coffey
- +Dan “RC” Owens
- +Geoff Oliver
- Barb Smart
- +“Big Dave” Monroe
- +Tom “Zookeeper” Evans

II. INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS – Meeting called to order by Big Dave at 7:00 pm tonight. Mary, Secretary of Valley Abate, was present. Disciple Christian Motorcycle Club members present – new group here to support ABATE. Becky Moore, Development Director with AWAIC also present. Andrew with The Motorcycle Shop present. Howard Hunt, rider and coach with Spider.

III. AGENDA/MINUTES APPROVED – November 2015 Board Meeting Minutes discussed. Motion by Havoc and second by Tom to pass minutes, with correction of Spider’s name from Spyder. Passed unanimously with changes.

IV. REPORTS:

- A. Gaming – Dan “RC” Owens as primary.
- B. Legislative – Dan “Havoc” Coffey. Suggested members get involved as this is election year.
- C. Finance – Bobbe Reilly. See attached yearly Profit & Loss report for 2015. Special note on collection of ABATE’s monies from Abe Spicola. Kudos to Laura for all her hard work on ABATE’s accounting this past year.
- D. Membership – Ralphie Morel.
- E. Newsletter – Bobbe Reilly. Spending \$6000 per year on ABATE newsletter. Suggest putting business sponsors on website. Also suggested putting newsletter on website as well, going electronic and not paper – do monthly blast for each new newsletter. And rates, increases or staying same, also discussed. Havoc suggested printing enough newsletters for motorcycle shops, and members can get their copy electronically off ABATE website. Could cut printing costs in half.

- F. PR – Geoff Oliver. Meet with Steve Stripling on Tuesday, regarding expansion of the advertising spots. Messages would change as classes begin, for certain events, etc. Possible videos for social media discussed.
- G. Products – Chris “Token” Applebee not here.
- H. Riders Ed – Barb Smart not here. Class registration is open. Age limit is 14 with signed parental consent.
- I. Web Master – “Big Dave” Monroe.
- J. Run Coordinator – Chris “Token” Applebee not here.

V. OLD BUSINESS –

- A. Meet and Greet event – 23 Jan ’16 at La Cabana Restaurant, 7-10pm. Under budget by \$1200 this time. See attached Meet & Greet Report by Bobbe.
- B. AMA – insurance required for President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Officers, Board Members, and regular members need to pass AMA membership info on to Laura. Total number needed is 10 members so ABATE events have insurance.
- C.
- D.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. AWAIC – Becky Moore, Development Director. Facility has 52 bed shelter with 67 people in it currently. Having an event coming up, partnering up with Dimond Girls. May 21 is event, with poker run and ending up in Wasilla. Kickstand is up at 10am at the Northway Mall area. AWAIC has FB page, and so does Ride for ABATE. KTVA will be covering the AWAIC event as well. Discussion about including AWAIC this year in the ABATE’s Christmas in July event.
- B. Andrew McConnell with The Motorcycle Shop. Looking to do outreach to new riders, and help them out with gear, bike, etc. after the riders have completed the ABATE course. Want to have dedicated computer at shop for people to sign up for ABATE course. Discussion of different ways of approaching this idea of voucher from passing MSF courses to use at The Motorcycle Shop. Talked about placing ad, or sponsoring, in ABATE newsletter. Want to donate to local groups.
- C. Bike Blessing is Sat, 7 May ’16, with May also being Motorcycle Awareness Month. Havoc wanted the proclamations back from City Church for the Bike Blessing history.
- D. Bike Show is in April ’16, at Ben Boeke. CMA is taking it over from City Church.
- E. Breakup Run is 14 May ’16, and will be day run event this year.
- F. Bobbe brought up that 8 motorcycles for course are owned by state.
- G. Discussion about motorcycle profiling in lower 48 – see Big Dave’s FB page, as it has a lot of info on that. Also what is classified as a motorcycle which includes autocycles at this time – autocycles needs their own classification category. Discussion about state DMV needs M-3 classification for these vehicles.
- H. Havoc mentioned having ABATE stickers, with logo and info, for vehicle windows and motorcycle shields, to put ABATE out there. Token is PR person, so Geoff and Token need to research different options on stickers, and window decals, etc. RC suggested placing ABATE decals on side of course bikers which the riders use during the classes. **[decals issue – next board meeting item]**

VII. MISCELLANOUS

- A. Massachusetts Motorcycle link to be sent out by Big Dave for people to go there and vote.
- B. Sponsorships for benches at the Three Angels Memorial Park. Also fence is good for sponsorships as well, hanging of banners, etc. Discussion about city issues if banners hung on fence, possibly banners be useful to decrease Tudor road noise as well.
- C. Big Dave brought pizza for the meeting... Yum!
- D. Havoc mentioned that can sign up for MSF courses free from their website, as opposed to ABATE paying outside company \$20,000/year to do so.
- E.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Ed will scan flyer as jpg and post on ABATE FB page. Becky will email him the actual electronic copy of the flyer to do so.
- B. Ed will contact and check with City Church not being involved with Bike Blessing, and also CMAs. He will take point on Bike Blessing event. First Thursday of every month is CMA's meeting.
- C. Valley ABATE to learn about Wild Apricot software usage from Big Dave.
- D.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is Thursday, 03 March 2016.
- B. Next Members Meeting is Thursday, 18 February 2016, 7:00 pm at Sea Galley.
- C. Motion to adjourn by RC and seconded by Geoff to adjourn; meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm. Passed unanimously.

X. Officers: Indicate if Present with + sign.

- +Ed "High Beam" Rutledge
- +Bobbe Reilly
- +Lynn Fibranz
- +Dan "Spider" Schneider
- +Ralphie Morel
- = Chris "Token" Applebee
- =Barb Smart
- +Dan "RC" Owens
- +Dan "Havoc" Coffey
- +Geoff Oliver
- + "Big Dave" Monroe
- =Boyd McFail

Lynn L. Fibranz – ABATE Secretary