



ABATE of Alaska Board Meeting Minutes  
Scheduled: 07 May 2020, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

**I. Board Members -**

**Five of Seven Board Members needed to establish Quorum - (Indicate if Present)**

- a. Dan “Havoc” Coffey--present
- b. “Peppermint” Patti Bogan--present
- c. Ed Rutledge--present
- d. Bonnie Welsh--present
- e. “Big Dave Grizzly” Monroe
- f. Daniel “Spider” Schneider--present
- g. President – Ken Coston--present

**II. OFFICER REPORTS (Optional) - (Indicate if Present)**

- a. President – Ken Coston--present
- b. Vice President – Jared Noble--present
- c. Secretary - Lesle “Scottie” Moore--present
- d. Treasurer – Tim Kelly--present
- e. Sgt-At-Arms - Daniel “Spider” Schneider--present
- f. Legislative Affairs - Tom “Zookeeper” Evans--present
- g. Run Coordinator – Alan Clevenger
- h. Newsletter Editor – Lesle “Scottie” Moore--present
- i. Membership - Ken Coston--present
- j. Rider Education - Barbara “Barb” Smart
- k. Assistant Rider Education - Bonnie Welsh--present
- l. Gaming - Dan “RC” Owens--present
- m. Products - Ed Rutledge--present
- n. Public Relations – Kenneth Swazer
- o. COC Liaison - Tim Kelly--present

**III. UPDATE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -**

- a. Current Agenda Updates/Additions – none
- b. Approval of Agenda – Ed motioned to accept agenda, Dan “Spider” Schneider seconded motion—**approved by board**
- c. Approval of Board Chair to take items out of sequence if deemed necessary.
- d. Approval Past Meeting(s) Minutes – From April 02, 2020—Dan “Spider” Schneider motioned to approve minutes, Bonnie seconded motion—**approved by board**

**IV. INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS –**

- a. Johanna Noble, Kent Slavic (ABATE Northstar Chapter)

V. **Executive Session (only if needed/called) - NONE**

VI. **OLD BUSINESS –**

- a. The 2020 Gathering at the Bike Blessing - **Event Manager— Sarah Coe with Greg, Ken, and BigDave**
  - i. Wrap-Up/Comments—400 persons participated
  - ii. 4 Churches (ABT, Unite, ACF, and Changepoint)
  - iii. Start in September
  - iv. 2020 Patches available at AK Leather \$3.00 donation
- b. Christmas in July - **Sunday, July 19, 2020 - Event Coordinator - Bonnie W** (with helper TBD)—still playing by ear—developing back up plan
  - i. Next major event
  - ii. What do we need to do to prepare?
- c. By-Laws Changes and Issues - (Tim Kelly)
  - i. Anchorage ABATE Status—Business license, EIN, and 501©(3) acquired
  - ii. Next meeting **Pick a night for a teleconference-Biennial Report due-need to change officers recommend around elections, then transfer assets**
  - iii. Articles of Incorporation for Anchorage ABATE, INC passed
    - Signed, notarized, and mailed for filing
  - iv. Anchorage ABATE by-laws need finalized—drafted
  - v. **501©(3) assigned and letter from IRS received**
    - Need to start identifying applicable assets for transfer from ABATE of Alaska to Anchorage ABATE.
- d. Financial Solvency and Fundraising
  - i. <http://www.keyfundsol.com/Services.html>
  - ii. Potential Fundraising
    - Havoc mentioned past years ABATE events to raise monies
      - a. Raffles, spaghetti feeds, etc
      - b. volunteers to manage events need addition streams of revenue in addition to Rider Education
  - iii. ABATE of Alaska Non-Profits Minimum Reserve
  - iv. Refer to email that was sent it out. ABATE needs to agree on the amount.
  - v. Financial Policies
    - Expenses— President/Treasurer may approve emergent expenses
      - a. Personal reimbursements up to \$500
      - b. Does not apply to normal cost of business or pre-approved expenses
    - Events- guidelines
- e. COVID19 – Impact to our events/gatherings
  - i. Official Statements and Social Media Postings
  - ii. Gathering at the Bike Blessing
  - iii. Gathering/BB Planning Meetings
  - iv. Board Meetings

- v. General Membership Meetings
- f. Rider's Education Program
  - i. Rider Education Meeting— Calendar planned, Classes to be opened ASAP—Classes have begun
    - Due to COVID-19 emails have been sent out to first classes, refunds offered, continued monitoring of situation, student response has been good.
    - MSF office has been forced to close.
  - ii. Three Angels Memorial/Lease – (Ed/Barb)
    - Muni has sent a Lease Termination Notice
      - a. **Received email saying developers will be breaking ground in the spring. Note this has been the case the last two years – Update??**
      - b. Other locations are still being looked at
        - i. Sullivan Arena Parking Lot is current backup
        - ii. Redevelopment of the Former Native Hospital Site
    - Team CC interested in helping with plan of new location and then identify how people/businesses can help.
    - Stakeholder Draft Master Plan
  - iii. Motorcycle Shop willing to sell ABATE new bikes 4000 and 5000 for BMW 310 would pay us back all but 500 after two years (Dan/Bonnie)
  - iv. Rider Coaches
    - Endorsing/Promoting ABATE of Alaska
    - Membership Forms/Packets (Laura's email) – **Completed?**
      - a. Purchase approved of stickers and other flat materials to give to students. RC donated \$250 for additional supplies
  - v. WOW partnership with Women BRC classes (**very popular**)
    - Approached by Diamond Girls MC to also be involved
  - vi. Will need a connex to store three wheels – Ken S to looking into
  - vii. Looking to put together AK State Law fact sheet for classes
- g. Holiday Party/Meet and Greet for 2021 - **Tabled for 2020**
  - i. **Event Fundraising Committee-Bonnie W. Patti B, Scottie M**
  - ii. Possibly February and making it a fund-raising event to include meet the board and officers during the event.
  - iii. Potential Fall Party at end of riding season coinciding with Freeze Up Run
- h. MRF/SMSA Updates/Reports
  - i. MRF – <https://www.mrf.org/events/>
    - Bikers Inside the Beltway 2020 - Washington, DC
      - a. **Canceled**
    - Meeting of the Minds 2020 - Indianapolis, Indiana
      - a. 09/24/2020 - 09/27/2020

- ii. SMSA – still quiet
- iii. John Weddleton/Boscas, The Motorcycle Shop, and Neighbors Windows and Doors have all offered to donate mileage or purchase mileage tickets for ABATE using mileage.
- i. Alaska Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Safety Meetings
  - i. Plan published
    - [http://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/shsp/shsp\\_plan.shtml](http://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/shsp/shsp_plan.shtml)
  - ii. SHSP Emphasis Area Team Leaders Meeting
    - BigDave – Appointed Team Lead for Motorcycles and ATV
    - Mostly discussed roles and approach--Assistant is putting together list of motorcycle vendors.
    - Team meetings to be held—board members and officers will be asked to participate via teleconference.
    - Follow-Up Leader’s Meeting Once per Quarter
  - iii. Alaska SHSP Motorcycle/ATV Emphasis Area Team Meeting - **Postponed due to COVID-19**
    - a. Teleconference info to follow
  - iv. **Young Drivers Emphasis Area Team Meeting (Ken)**
    - **Update—meeting every quarter**
- j. Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) | NHTSA
  - i. <https://www.nhtsa.gov/research-data/fatality-analysis-reporting-system-fars> (No Activity)
- k. Marketing (Ken Swazer)
  - i. Advertising—Holiday Season giveaway of BRC class, Facebook has 4500 following page
  - ii. Products
  - iii. Any marketing should have ABATE logo
  - iv. Steve Stripling
  - v. Banner sign through Minuteman Press sale
  - vi. Children’s handbook (Ken C), Long Island ABATE
- l. ABATE of Alaska Policies and Procedures
  - i. Initial Policies adopted
  - ii. Partially started Technology Policy
  - iii. **Election Policy**
- m. ABATE of Alaska Officer Operations Manuals
  - i. **Bike Blessing**
  - ii. **Toy Run**
  - iii. **Election Procedure**
  - iv. Run Coordinator
    - Tom, Chris, and Alan to discuss and work on
  - v. Membership Coordinator
    - Ken and Big Dave to work on - need to draft
- n. Survey Monkey- **On Hold**
  - i. Need to get Surveys going (2 types)
    - Members
    - Non-Members/Community

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Dee Collins Email – Senior Center Car Parade, Saturday, May 9th  
907-231-4186 or email [dkcollins502@gmail.com](mailto:dkcollins502@gmail.com)
  - i. She has asked if we could motorcycles to participate
    - Facebook Posts
    - Email Blast
- b. Hope given a unique motorcycle to raffle-inquired about our gaming license

## VIII. OTHER SHORT BUSINESS

- a. **Break-Up Run Canceled**
- b. **Eagle River Triathlon Canceled**

## IX. ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING/PENDING

- a. For Gaming–RC is applying for ABATE of Alaska —**In Process**
  - ~~i. Need 25 members~~
  - ii. Potential business partner for games—have a venue/operator
- b. Research Business Relationship for gaming —**In Process**
- c. Tom will look into earplug issue. Also putting a letter together with three points for the legislature. (Dead Red) —**In Process**
- d. Tom to work MRF membership at General Membership meetings
- e. Dan “Spider” S. will get state law information fact sheet together if people will help by sending him the information
- f. Bonnie to check with MSF and Barb, will send email out – **Done?**

## X. ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a. None

## XI. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 PM. (**Teleconference?**)
- b. Next General Membership Meeting is Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at 7:00 PM via **Web Conference/ Facebook Live Event?? (Spotlight Business: ???)**
- c. Motion to adjourn by...Dan “Havoc” Coffey, seconded by Dan “Spider” Schneider—**approved by board**

## XII. Calendar

- a. Event Calendar - **Proposed Dates are on Run Calendar**
  - i. Christmas In July Toy Run (**Sunday, July 19, 2020**)
  - ii. Freeze-Up Run (**Saturday, September 12, 2020**)