



ABATE of Alaska Board Meeting Minutes
Scheduled: 03 September 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
- b. "Peppermint" Patti Bogan--present
- c. Ed Rutledge--present
- d. Bonnie Welsh--present
- e. "Big Dave Grizzly" Monroe--present
- 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
- m. Products - Ed Rutledge-present
- n. Public Relations –
- o. COC Liaison - Tim Kelly-present

III. UPDATE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -

- a. Current Agenda Updates/Additions – swap meet
- b. Approval of Agenda – Ken motioned to approve agenda, seconded by Ed **approved by board.**
- c. Approval of Board Chair to take items out of sequence if deemed necessary. Invoked
- d. Approval Past Meeting(s) Minutes – From August 06, 2020 Dan "Spider" Schneider motion to approve minutes—seconded by Ken C.—**approved by board.**

IV. INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS –

- a. Johanna Noble

V. **Executive Session (only if needed/called) – None**

VI. **OLD BUSINESS –**

- a. ABATE Election (need to start getting ready) — **(Jared and Ken)**
 - i. need to get an early start this year. Notifying membership early. Big change- elections will be for **Anchorage ABATE**—election materials should mention name change. Updates will be needed. Nomination letters need to go out. Goal is to mail prior to next general membership meeting. Ed, Havoc, and Spider. Ed is stepping down. President and Treasurer up for election. A paragraph in the beginning noting the election would be for Anchorage ABATE rather than ABATE of Alaska. Will there be a new logo for Anchorage ABATE? Updating ballot. Long lead time item—reach out to businesses regarding ballot boxes Ken to take care of after meeting tonight. Target dates—on or about 9/1 nomination letter draft list of nominees first week of October, November board meeting is elections. Ballots via email. Patti asking if she can help
- b. Freeze Up Run—tentative due to COVID-19, would need to call destination to see if they are willing to host. Would Alan be willing to make phone calls? Make the meet up in the Valley and start our run at DHD??. Fred was ok with the start being there. Sheep Creek is booked, Alan is looking at other places. Waiting for return calls. Intent is to move forward
 - i. Backup plan in case need to cancel.
 - ii. Need to file insurance paperwork. Ken to file paperwork.
 - iii. What is the route for the ride? In the works
- c. Photo contest for The Gathering at the Bike Blessing poster. **(Ken)**
 - i. Winner receives gift certificate for a free ARC course, \$199 value. Run on Facebook choose top 5. Good way to promote ARC class 2 for 1. Picked two photos, will put out again for feedback. Winner announced at Alaska Leather Swap Meet.
- d. Walk for Hope Partnership **(RC)**
 - i. Contact – Mike Wachsmuth
 - ii. They were given a unique motorcycle to raffle (worth a lot of money) may end up just selling as they may not be able to cover. Should give away at bike blessing
 - iii. Inquired about our gaming license
- e. By-Laws Changes and Issues - **(Tim Kelly)**
 - i. Anchorage ABATE Status—Business license, EIN, and 501©(3) acquired
 - ii. Next meeting – ???
 - iii. **Anchorage ABATE by-laws need finalized. Copy to be placed at Alaska Leather for signatures.**
 - iv. **Need to start identifying applicable assets for transfer from ABATE of Alaska to Anchorage ABATE.**
- f. Financial Solvency and Fundraising

- i. Financials – Bookkeeper’s reports—on target with budget. Unless there are big expenditures financial look alright per Tim K.
- ii. Gaming permit
 - **HobNob Pull Tabs LLC**
- iii. <http://www.keyfundsol.com/Services.html>
- iv. 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
- v. ABATE of Alaska Non-Profits Minimum Reserve
- vi. 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
- g. Run trailer (now located at range)—need to look for another location for theft prevention. Trailer being used for storage. Need to get suitable storage for items in the trailer. It’s a cost of doing business. Currently not approved to have more than two connex on track site based on land use agreement. Bonnie and Ed to investigate storage for trailer. Trailer should be alright at current location. Invest in a boot lock for trailer? Boot lock a cost of doing business..
- h. Rider’s Education Program
 - i. Rider Education Meeting— Calendar planned, Classes winding down for season
 - 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.
 - Motion to allow rider ed committee to pick four bikes and dispose by Ken, seconded by Bonnie-- **approved by board**
 - 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) (**Is this still a viable option/need?**)

Purchase BMW at a cost of contract and fees Spider motioned to purchase BMW Ken seconded motion—Bonnie- Yes, Patti -Yes, Ed-Yes, Dan “Spider” Schneider- Yes, Ken -Yes: **approved by board**

Rider Coaches

Endorsing/Promoting ABATE of Alaska

Membership Forms/Packets

WOW partnership with Women BRC classes (**very popular**)

- Approached by Diamond Girls MC to also be involved

- iv. Will need a connex to store three wheels – **Tabled until next season?**
- v. DMV requiring written test in addition to rider course. Barb is looking for paperwork indicating course is approved to waive requirement (**Next regulation update may include a return to include written and riding test in waiver.**)
- i. 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
- j. MRF/SMSA Updates/Reports
 - i. MRF – <https://www.mrf.org/events/>
 - Meeting of the Minds 2020 - Indianapolis, Indiana
 - a. 09/24/2020 - 09/27/2020
 - Training Scholarships
 - a. <https://www.yourvalley.net/stories/peoria-nonprofit-awarded-100000-grant-for-motorcycle-rider-training-scholarships,161918>
 - ii. SMSA -
 - iii. John Weddleton/Boscors, The Motorcycle Shop, and Neighbors Windows and Doors have all offered to donate mileage or purchase mileage tickets for ABATE using mileage.
- k. Alaska Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Safety Meetings
 - i. Plan published
 - http://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/shsp/shsp_plan.shtml
 - ii. SHSP Emphasis Area Team Leaders Meeting
 - Big Dave – 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**

- I. Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) | NHTSA
 - i. <https://www.nhtsa.gov/research-data/fatality-analysis-reporting-system-fars> (No Activity)
- m. Marketing (???)
 - i. Advertising—Holiday Season giveaway of BRC class, Facebook has 4648 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
- n. ABATE of Alaska Policies and Procedures
 - i. Initial Policies adopted
 - ii. Partially started Technology Policy
 - iii. **Election Policy**
- o. 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
- p. Survey Monkey- **On Hold**
 - i. Need to get Surveys going (2 types)
 - Members
 - Non-Members/Community

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Swap Meet Sept 12

VIII. OTHER SHORT BUSINESS

- a. Alaska C.O.C. – September 12, 2020 – Fairbanks, Badger Den
- b. Motorcycles and construction zones especially in Anchorage and the Valley—approach construction companies and educate riders as to not ruin for everyone

IX. ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING/PENDING

- a. ~~Tom will look into earplug issue.~~ Also putting a letter together with three points for the legislature. Looking at what other states have passed to draft for legislature. (Dead Red) —**In Process**
- b. Tom to work MRF membership at General Membership meetings
- c. ~~Dan “Spider” Schneider willing to call Fred regarding starting point for freeze up run.~~
- d. ~~Ken to follow up with Alan regarding Freeze Up run phone calls.~~

X. ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a. Jared to draft language for election and circulate by this weekend
- b. Ken will address issue of boot lock for trailer
- c. Tim to draft motions for board approval.
- d. Tim to discuss assets with Laura

XI. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is Thursday, September 3rd, 2020 at 7:00 PM. (**Teleconference**)
- b. Next General Membership Meeting is Thursday, September 17th, 2020 at 7:00 PM via (**Teleconference**) (**Spotlight Business: None**)
- c. Motion to adjourn by...Spider seconded by Patti ***approved by board***

XII. Calendar

- a. Event Calendar - **Proposed Dates are on Run Calendar**
 - i. Freeze-Up Run (**Saturday, September 19, 2020**)