



ABATE of Alaska/ ABATE of Anchorage Board Meeting Minutes
Scheduled: 03 December 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
- 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 –
- o. COC Liaison - Tim Kelly-present

III. UPDATE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -

- a. Current Agenda Updates/Additions –
- b. Approval of Agenda – motion to approve agenda—1st-Ken C. motioned
Seconded- Bonnie W., **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 November 5, 2020 - motion to
approve minutes—1st- Bonnie W., Seconded Ken C. - **approved by board**

IV. INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS –

- a. Marie B., Laura Goggins, Kent (North Star ABATE) Katarzyna Sowa-
Lapinskas, John Weddleton, 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. Big change- elections will be for **Anchorage ABATE**—
 - ii. Results- New Board members-Katarzyna Sowa-Lapinskas, Tiffany Karling, Dan “Spider” Schnieder, Treasurer- Tim Kelly, President- Ken Coston
 - iii. Election Certification/Ratification motion to certify election by Bonnie seconded, Patti B seconded motion, **approved by board**
- b. Bike Blessing 2021 (Ken & Sarah)
 - i. Poster—Anchorage ABATE hosting event should be completed soon
 - ii. Working on packages
 - iii. Working on plan A and plan B like last year
 - iv. AK Vets asked to do Rolling Thunder and presenting the colors as well as official afterparty
 - v. Planning meetings—will have committees and subcommittees for different duties set up when ready to have public meetings waiting to make sure that we are ready
 - vi. Next Meeting in two weeks
 - vii. Tom Evans to work on proclamations from Governor and new mayor of Anchorage
- c. 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 finalized/signed.**
 - iv. **What is next?**
 - **Invitations to other chapters (Dates?)**
 - **Target Dates to finish?**
 - v. The name changes have been processed. COI for DMV. Application has been mailed in. Gaming permit application submitted for name change, now under ABATE of Anchorage. Hob Nob has been contacted. Holding off on bank as there are outstanding checks, tax return complete and submitted as ABATE of Alaska. Gaming would like IRS acknowledgement. Wild Apricot is going to stay ABATE of Alaska. Holding off on new ABATE of Alaska Business License due to expiration date (12/31/2020) Laura and Bonnie are working with MSF and name change. Signers will need to be determined for the bank. Each Board will need to make that decision. Possible temporary signers. January meeting would be a good time to review signers for bank account.
 - vi. We will move forward with board and officers as signers to finish setting new ABATE of Alaska up. Laura will take care of things as they come in.

- vii. How are we going to fill new ABATE of Alaska's Board? Beginning Jan. 1 this board would be Anchorage ABATE. Will try to arrange video/teleconference in order to move the state organization forward.
 - viii. ABATE of Alaska has a board and officers as previously listed.
 - ix. Kent, President of North Star ABATE: wondering about By-Laws and concerned about overlap between two organizations. New board has opportunity to update By-Laws, policies, and procedures once new board is seated. Two representatives from each chapter will be able to write by-laws and make decisions on the state level versus individual communities. **Schedule a meeting with chapters.**
- d. Financial Solvency and Fundraising
- i. Financials – Bookkeeper's reports P&L shows loss in membership due to COVID-19. Tuition and Gaming income is consistent.
 - ii. Bike parts category up because of not receiving invoices for two years.
 - iii. 960 basic rider books were purchased this year. More handouts were required due to COVID-19. Instructional materials are purchased bi-annually because of shipping costs. Not anticipating any material changes MSF allows for old material to be taught up to five years after the update.
 - iv. Ken C. motioned to pay AK Cycle Center balance due, Dan "Spider" Schneider seconded motion—**approved by board**
 - v. Gaming permit
 - **HobNob Pull Tabs LLC—name change in process**
 - HobNob is still working in the valley
 - vi. <http://www.keyfundsol.com/Services.html>
 - vii. Potential Fundraising
 - Havoc mentioned past years ABATE events to raise monies
 - a. Raffles, spaghetti feeds, etc
 - b. volunteers to manage events need additional streams of revenue in addition to Rider Education
 - viii. ABATE of Alaska Non-Profits Minimum Reserve
 - ix. 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
 - x. **2021 Budget**—motion to approve 2021 Budget by Dan "Spider" Schneider. seconded by Bonnie W.-- **approved by board.**
- e. Rider's Education Program
- i. New schedule up class designation in progress
 - ii. Rider Education Meeting— Calendar planned; Classes open
 - MSF office has been forced to close.

- iii. 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.
- iv. 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?)**
- v. Rider Coaches
 - Endorsing/Promoting ABATE of Alaska
 - Membership Forms/Packets
- vi. WOW partnership with Women BRC classes **(very popular)**
 - Approached by Diamond Girls MC to also be involved
- vii. Will need a connex to store three wheels – **Tabled until next season?**
- viii. 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.)**
- f. 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
- g. MRF/SMSA Updates/Reports
 - i. MRF – Really pushing hard to recruit members
 - Can ABATE help?
 - ii. Training Scholarships
 - a. <https://www.yourvalley.net/stories/peoria-nonprofit-awarded-100000-grant-for-motorcycle-rider-training-scholarships,161918>
 - iii. SMSA -
 - iv. 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.
- h. 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
 - 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**
- i. Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) | NHTSA
 - i. <https://www.nhtsa.gov/research-data/fatality-analysis-reporting-system-fars> (No Activity)
- j. Marketing (???)
 - 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
 - vii. **Local Year Book Ads (Ken, Spider, Lil’ Spider)**
 - **Full Page Color** - **\$325**
 - **Half Page Color** - **\$175**
 - **1/4 Page Color** - **\$100**
 - ***Dimond High School Yearbook***
- k. ABATE of Alaska Policies and Procedures
 - i. Initial Policies adopted
 - ii. Partially started Technology Policy
 - iii. **Election Policy**
- l. 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
- m. Survey Monkey- **On Hold**
 - i. Need to get Surveys going (2 types)
 - Members
 - Non-Members/Community

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. 12th Annual virtual Polar Plunge for Special Olympics Alaska - <https://fb.me/e/1XVrU4p9g>

VII. OTHER SHORT BUSINESS

- a. None

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. (Dead Red) —**In Process**
- b. Tom to work MRF membership at General Membership meetings

X. ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a. Tom Evans to work on proclamations from Governor and new mayor of Anchorage for Bike Blessing

XI. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is Thursday, January 7th, 2021 at 7:00 PM. (**Teleconference**)
- b. Next General Membership Meeting is Thursday, January 21st, 2021 at 7:00 PM via (**Teleconference**) (**Spotlight Business: None**)
- c. Motion to adjourn by...Ken, seconded Spider approved by board

XII. Calendar

- a. Event Calendar - **Proposed Dates are on Run Calendar (Tentative)**
 - i. The Gathering at the Bike Blessing (**Saturday, May 1, 2021**)
 - ii. Break Up Run (**Saturday, May 8, 2021**)
 - iii. Eagle River Triathlon Road Guarding (**Sunday, June 6, 2021**)
 - iv. Christmas In July Toy Run (**Sunday, July 18, 2021**)
 - v. Freeze-Up Run (**Saturday, September 11, 2021**)