



ABATE of Anchorage Board Meeting Minutes
3 October 2024, 6:30PM to 8:30 PM

1) Meeting Called to Order

- a) By Dan Schneider at 6:32 P.M.

2) Board Members -

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

- a) Bonnie Welsh -- Present
- b) Dan "Spider" Schneider -- Present
- c) Dylan Hunt -- Present
- d) Jorge Martinez -- Absent
- e) Marie Berry -- Present
- f) Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Present
- g) Stephanie Martinez -- Absent

3) OFFICER REPORTS (Optional) - (Indicate if Present)

- a) President – Marie Berry -- Present
- b) Vice President – Ken Hunt -- Zoom
- c) Secretary – Louise Crago -- Present
- d) Treasurer – Stephanie Martinez -- Absent
- e) Sgt-At-Arms – Jorge Martinez -- Absent
- f) Legislative Affairs - Big Dave "Grizzly" Monroe -- Absent
- g) Run Coordinator – Choose an item.
- h) Newsletter Editor – Bonnie Welsh -- Present
- i) Membership - Marie Berry -- Present
- j) Rider Education - Bonnie Welsh -- Present
- k) Gaming - Dan "RC" Owens -- Absent
- l) Products – Marie Berry-- Present
- m) Public Relations – Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Present
- n) ABATE of Alaska State Board Reps
 - (1) Ken Coston -- Absent
 - (2) Louise Crago – Present

4) UPDATE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -

- a) Current Agenda Updates/Additions – None
- b) Approval of Agenda - motion by Bonnie, 2nd by Dylan
 - 1. Passed unanimously.
- c) Approval Past Meeting(s) Minutes – From September 5, 2024 — motion by Tiffany, 2nd by Bonnie
 - 1. Passed unanimously.

5) INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS –

- a) Jarod Noble
- b) James Siegel, Jr
- c) Travis Fahlsing
- d) Previn Deveroux
- e) Wyatt Gresham

6) Executive Session (only if needed/called)

- a) None

7) OLD BUSINESS –

- a) 2025 Meet/Greet – January 25, 2025
 - 1. Planning meetings will be starting soon.
 - 2. The theme is Route 66
 - (1) American Style food
 - 3. Will be at Main Event
 - (1) Bonnie has signed the contract.
 - (2) Deposit has been delivered.
 - 4. Need to review budget. The actual cost for the last event was \$6334 with a net of \$5130.
 - (1) Bonnie proposed a budget of \$8000, committee to refine the numbers plus a possible silent auction.
 - (2) 2nd made by Tiffany.
 - (3) Passed unanimously.
 - 5. The planning meeting will happen during the GMM in October.
- b) 2025 Gathering at the Bike Blessing - **Placeholder**
- c) Break-up Run – **Placeholder**
- d) Christmas in July 2025 - **Placeholder**
 - 1. Needed for next Christmas in July:
 - (1) Toddler, infant, and sensory toys
 - (2) Toys for Girls ages:
 - 1. 6-9
 - 2. 10-12
 - 3. Teens
 - (3) Toys for Boys ages:
 - 1. 10-12
 - 2. Teens
 - (4) Clothing
 - 1. Premie
 - 2. Newborn
- e) Freeze-up Run September 14, 2024
 - 1. Recap
 - (1) Challenging event this year
 - (2) Raised \$250
 - (3) Julie was not able to be the coordinator for the run on the day of. Bear from CVMA stepped up and took over at the last minute.
 - (4) Lb4Lb did road guarding
- f) Freeze-up Run September 13, 2025 - **Placeholder**
- g) Alaska Strategic Highway Safety Plan - Stakeholder Meetings – the Federal Highway Administration have approved 2023-2027 Alaska Highway Safety Plan.
 - 1. Areas of concern, committees formed, Motorcycles separate category.

2. Bonnie, Johanna, and Spider attended meetings to go through the action plan.
 - (1) Updates to come.
 - (2) Need an ABATE presence!
 - (3) The conference was on September 16 and 17.
 - a. **Recap:**
3. Need attention on legislative agenda.
 - (1) Bring to state?
4. Grants are closed for 2024– ABATE is eligible per Johanna.
 - (1) Suggested ABATE of Alaska needs to get the .gov web address so they can apply instead of Anchorage.
 - a. Louise will bring up at the next State Board meeting.
- h) ABATE of Alaska State Board (**Ken & Louise**)
 1. Secretary, Treasurer – have been assigned in name only since needed for biannual report for Laura to submit.
 - i) Will address again after elections.
 2. MRF Positions – updates were to be sent to Laura.
 - (1) Louise to follow up with Dan McCrummen or Laura to get the updated sheet.
 3. Next meeting is November 28, 2024, at 7pm via Zoom.
- i) ABATE of Anchorage/ABATE of Alaska Legislative Agenda
 1. Rep. Stanley Wright State Legislator District 22
 2. Motorcycle profiling project.
 3. Bikers in the Beltway
 4. Meeting of the Minds
 5. COC liaison – No report, meeting is October 26.
 - (1) Louise Crago - temporary
 6. Right on Red ordinance Shot down!! For now...
- j) Rider's Education Program (**Bonnie**) –
 1. Bonnie will develop a matrix to be used for cancellations or reschedules and the fees will be enforced.
 2. \$9629 was income for September.
 3. ADV lease – Bonnie emailed again.
 - (1) Working with Dan to get with Tiffany at the Muni for ADV course. Will encompass it in the lease renewal.
 4. Bike update
 - (1) 16 Owned MCs in use. 2 Loaners in use
 - a. 2 BMW will go back to the shop after the last course this weekend, October 5 & 6
 - b. Unknown future for the 3-wheel class as the Can Am loaner program has ended.
 5. Veterans and MSF -Battle Dawgs—successfully engaged Veterans.
 - (1) Bonnie meeting with the groups
 6. Website updates in the works – **Placeholder**
 7. Using AI to help boost posts about classes.
- k) Financial Solvency and Fundraising
 1. Financials – Bookkeeper's reports
 2. Gaming permit
 - (1) Lotto AK
 - (i) Received \$19820.88 to date.
 3. Potential Fundraising

- (1) Needs work.
- 4. Non-Profits Min Reserve-75% <http://www.keyfundsol.com/Services.html>
- 5. Financial Policies
- l) MRF Report – **Tabled til next meeting**
 - 1. MRF – Really pushing hard to recruit.
 - i) Need to update listed members from:
 - 1. ~~Tom~~
 - 2. ~~Tim~~
 - 3. ~~Scotty~~
 - 4. ~~Grizzly~~
 - ii) MRF A&E – Young Activist Scholarship - **Placeholder**
 - iii) Bikers in the Beltway - **Placeholder**
 - iv) Issues- right to repair, altering motorcycles, MAC being seated, passive blood alcohol devices by 2026.
 - v) Looking for assistant reps statewide
 - vi) Meeting of the Minds – **Placeholder**
 - 2. **Recap from St Louis Meeting:**
 - (1)
- m) SMSA- September 11-14, 2024
 - 1. **Recap:**
 - i) Beneficial with 2 people in attendance as there are sessions held simultaneously as others.
 - ii) Motion was made by Dylan and 2nd by Tiffany to reimburse Bonnie for \$2069.40 for her attending.
 - 1. Passed unanimously.
- n) Marketing (**Marie Berry/Tiffany “12 Gauge Page” Karling**)
 - 1. Social Media (Anchorage & State) Committee is Dan” Spider” Schneider, Johanna Noble, and Bonnie Welsh- no update.
 - 2. Products - on hand: skull caps, glass cloths, pens, T-Shirts, and card decks
 - i) Pens have been ordered – 1000, awaiting the quote for payment.
 - ii) Need to order:
 - 1. Short sleeve women’s shirts
 - 2. Microfiber towels from Costco
 - 3. Chapstick
 - 4. 2025 patches for Gathering/Blessing
 - 3. Need to get flyers about upcoming events to the Chamber of Commerce to promote on their pages as well as it is part of their membership.
 - 4. Grab bags for memberships.
 - (1) 80 were made.
 - 5. Range bags.
 - (1) Made 300 so far.
 - (2) \$2500 Approved
 - (3) Marie picking up the tote Saturday so that items do not freeze over winter. Will store in ABATE office.
 - (4) Winter project of making more bags for the range.
 - 6. Ponchos: grab bags or swag bags?
 - 7. Chamber of Commerce
 - (1) After Hours networking:
 - 1. Tiffany, Marie, and Bonnie can attend the next event.

- (2) Night on Broadway
 - 1. November 15, 2024
 - 2. A table for 10 is \$1500 or \$175 each.
 - 3. Ad is \$100/half page or \$350/full page.
- (3) Annual Membership \$420/year coming due.
- (4) Tiffany made a motion to pay \$1850 for a table at the Night on Broadway as well as the full-page ad and was 2nd by Dylan.
 - a. Passed unanimously.
- o) By-Laws Changes and Issues - **Placeholder**
- p) ABATE of Anchorage Policies and Procedures - **Placeholder**
 - 1. Partially started Technology Policy
- q) ABATE of Anchorage Officer Operations Manuals - **Placeholder**
 - 1. Bike Blessing
 - 2. Toy Run
 - 3. Election Policy/Procedure
 - (1) Ken H. updating.
 - 4. Run Coordinator
 - 5. Membership Coordinator
- r) Ride days at Gathering.
- s) Places to participate and promote.
 - 1. ?
- t) Legislative concerns

8) NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Upcoming elections
 - (1) President
 - (2) Treasurer
 - (3) Board Seats X 3
 - a. Dan
 - b. Jorge
 - c. Tiffany
 - (4) Nominations received and accepted:
 - a. President – Marie
 - b. Treasure – Stephanie
 - c. Board Seats:
 - i. Travis Fahlsing
 - ii. James Siegel, Jr
 - iii. Tiffany Karling
 - iv. Dan Schneider
 - v. Wyatt Gresham – withdrew acceptance of nomination at GMM.
 - vi. Previn Deveroux
 - (5) Ballots are ready.
 - a. Needs sent out.

9) OTHER SHORT BUSINESS

- a) Donations for ROTC?
 - 1. Marie to get bike helmets or targets.
- b) Cards with ABATE QR Code to increase membership and ease of payments.
- c) ABATE received 8 vintage ABATE T-shirts from RC.

1. Marie's sister making 2 quilts for Meet & Greet
- d) ABATE received donated gear.
 1. Will sell items at the Swap Meet.
 2. Money to go towards Christmas in July.

10) ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING/PENDING

- a) Webpage reconstruction. **In process**
- b) Bonnie to get discount cards for the range bags. **In process**

11) ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a) Bonnie to hire people to take down the tent and secure tables and porta-potties, empty gas tank, remove it, put it in Conex, and get rid of truck.
 1. Dylan offered to help Dan as well.
- b) Dan and Johanna to discuss Rider coaches classes training for next year
- c) Bonnie to email "Around" with info regarding advertising
- d) Stepanie to discuss budgeting at the GMM meeting on October 17.
- e) Dan to bring book to next board meeting.
- f) Bonnie to look at #s for those taking classes that are under 21 years of age.
- g) Dylan to reach out to ASD schools for yearbook ads.
- h) Wyatt to get Dylan contact information for Service HS.
- i) Marie and Dan to get Jarod access to email to update the website.
- j) Marie to blast out ballots on Saturday. Louise to help with bios.

12) Calendar

- a) Event Calendar 2025:
 1. Spring Fling Women's Health Fair – April 5-6
 2. Break-up Run – May 10
 3. Swap Meet - TBD
 4. Gathering at the Bike Blessing – May 3
 5. Christmas in July Toy Run – July 27
 6. Freeze Up Run – September 13

13) ADJOURNMENT

- a) Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is Thursday November 7, 2024, at **6:30 PM**. (in the **Board Room**)
- b) Next General Membership Meeting is November 21, 2024, at 7pm at Guido's.
- c) Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 PM made by Tiffany, 2nd by Dylan
 1. Passed unanimously.