



ABATE of Anchorage Board Meeting Minutes
02 October 2025, 6:30PM to 8:30 PM

1) Meeting Called to Order

- a) By Dan Schneider at 6:31 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) Travis Fahlsing -- Present
- 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 -- Present
- c) Secretary -- Louise Crago -- Present
- d) Treasurer -- Stephanie Martinez -- Absent
- e) Sgt-At-Arms -- Tom Dillon -- Present
- f) Legislative Affairs -- Travis Falsing -- Present
- g) Legislative Affairs -- Louise Crago -- Present
- h) Run Coordinator -- Tom Dillon - Present
- i) Newsletter Editor -- Bonnie Welsh -- Present
- j) Membership -- James Siegel Jr -- Present
- k) Rider Education - Bonnie Welsh -- Present
- l) Gaming - Dan "RC" Owens -- Absent
- m) Products and Marketing -- Dannika Schneider -- Present
- n) Public Relations -- Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Present
- o) ABATE of Alaska State Board Reps
 - (1) Travis Fahlsing -- Present
 - (2) Louise Crago -- Present

4) UPDATE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -

- a) Current Agenda Updates/Additions -
- b) Approval of Agenda - motion by Tiffany, 2nd by Dylan
 - 1. Passed unanimously.
- c) Approval Past Meeting(s) Minutes -- From September 4, 2025 — motion by Bonnie, 2nd by Tiffany
 - 1. Passed unanimously.

5) INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS

- a) Previn Deveroux
- b) Laura Woody
- c) Dan Woody
- d) Gina Hagar
- e) RC – Zoom
- f) Laura Goggins – Zoom
- g) Lucious Dennis

6) Executive Session (only if needed/called)

- a) None

7) OLD BUSINESS –

- a) 2026 Meet/Greet
 - 1. Theme: Cowboys and Aliens
 - 2. Location: Main Event Grill
 - (1) Working on menu
 - (2) Door prizes are coming in
 - (3) Decorations & Center pieces coming along
 - (4) Games in process of being decided
 - 3. Date: January 24, 2026
 - 4. Planning Meeting: TBD
- b) Spring Fling for Women/Health & Wellness Expo – **Placeholder**
- c) Swap Meet – **Placeholder**
- d) 2026 Gathering at the Bike Blessing – **Placeholder**
- e) Break-up Run – **Placeholder**
- f) Eagle River Triathlon – **Placeholder**
- g) Christmas in July 2026 – **Placeholder**
- h) Spenard Bike Week – **Placeholder**
- i) Freeze-up Run – September 13
 - 1. **Recap**
 - (1) Good turnout, approximately 55 riders
 - (2) \$520 for Split the pot
 - (3) Road guards were appreciated – Thank you lb4lb
- j) Alaska Strategic Highway Safety Plan
 - 1. There are upcoming meetings, more to come
- k) ABATE of Alaska State Board (**Travis & Louise**)
 - 1. Each region gave their report
 - 2. Still working to update/revise By-laws
 - 3. Next meeting is January 13, 2026, at 7pm via Zoom.
- l) Legislative Agenda
 - 1. Legislative concerns
 - 2. Motorcycle profiling project.
 - 3. Bikers inside the Beltway – May 18-19, 2026, in Washington D.C. – **Placeholder**

4. SMSA - September 10-13 in Harrisburg, PA
 - (1) Waiver not discussed
 - (2) Liability discussions due to recent lawsuit
 - (3) RSL additions coming
 - (4) Motorcycle shop – liability
 1. Quoted \$325/bike by certified mechanic
5. Meeting of the Minds - September 25-27 in Shreveport, LA
 - (1) Travis gave updates and shared information. Largest gathering ever at 409 Bikers
 - (2) See the notes, included, from Travis
6. Meeting of the Minds – September 24-27, 2026, in Milwaukee, WI -
Placeholder
7. COC liaison (**Louise Crago**)
 - (1) Next Meeting November 1 at Vets Clubhouse at noon
8. Traffic/Laws (**Louise Crago**)
 - (1) Nothing currently
- m) Rider's Education Program
 1. Students are trending younger
 - (1) Largest is those <21
 - (2) Second is those 21-25
 - (3) Third is those 26-30
 2. Microunits will be going in
 3. Bonnie submitted an email to add land to lease for next year
 4. The canopy was sold on Facebook Marketplace
 5. We are currently looking for another classroom facility
- n) Financial Solvency and Fundraising
 1. Financials – Bookkeeper's reports
 2. Gaming permit
 3. Potential Fundraising
 4. CD
 5. Now set up for receiving funds from Fashion Pact
 6. Non-Profits Min Reserve-75%
- o) MRF Report (**Travis Fahlsing**)
 1. MRF
 - (1) Updates: see above at Meeting of the Minds
 2. MRF A&E – Young Activist Scholarship
 - (1) Dylan attended
 - (2) **Recap**
 3. Issues- right to repair, altering motorcycles, MAC being seated, passive blood alcohol devices by 2026.
- p) Products and Marketing (**Dannika Schneider**)
 1. Social Media Committee is Dannika Schneider and Bonnie Welsh
 - (1) Updates:
 2. Ads (**Dannika Schneider**)
 - (1) Full page ads available at 6 schools
 1. 4 schools we can place ads with

- 2. 1 school TBD
- 3. West HS said No
- 4. Cost is approximately \$850 for 3
- 3. Swag bags for memberships – **enough for now**
- 4. Range bags
 - (1) Updates: Marie picking up the bags and will be working putting more bags together for next year
- q) Chamber of Commerce
 - 1. After Hours networking – membership will expire at the end of this year, not being renewed.
- r) By-Laws Changes and Issues - **Placeholder**
- s) Policies and Procedures
 - 1. Financial Policies
 - 2. Bike Blessing – **In Process**
 - 3. Toy Run - **In Process**
 - 4. Election Policy/Procedure – **In Process**
- t) Officer Operations Manuals
 - 1. Run Coordinator - **In Process**
 - 2. Membership Coordinator – **In Process**

8) NEW BUSINESS

9) OTHER SHORT BUSINESS

10) ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING/PENDING

- a) James to continue working on website creation/update – **In Process**
- b) Louise to research grants that may apply to ABATE. – **In Process**
- c) Marie to get with Guido's to ask for donations for door prizes and events.
- d) Louise to get with Las Margaritas and others to ask for donations for door prizes and events.
- e) Everyone to review the web page. – **In Process**

11) ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a) Louise to send Dan the corrected minutes from 2025.
- b) Tiffany to email the donation letter to the Around email.
- c) Dan to ask Johanna about the historical minutes.
- d) Dan to get with James and Jared about invoice for the website.
- e) Dan to share SMSA PDF agenda to the around email.
- f) Louise to look for grants that are rider class specific.
- g) Education committee to meet & discuss options for scholarship.
- h) James to work with Dannika & Bonnie to establish colors for website & Dannika to set up Canva.
- i) Dylan to check with UAA about opportunities to do a safety booth.
- j) Marie to drop off ballot boxes to Alaska Leather, House of Harley, and Mad Hatter
- k) Louise to share election information to CoC page.

12) Calendar

- a) Event Calendar 2026:
 - 1. Meet & Greet – January 24
 - 2. Swap Meet – TBD (April 25)
 - 3. Gathering & Bike Blessing – May 2
 - 4. Break-up Run – May 9
 - 5. Bikers Inside the Beltway – May 18-19
 - 6. Christmas in July Toy Run – July 26
 - 7. Spenard Bike Week – TBD
 - 8. SMSA – September 16-19
 - 9. Freeze-Up Run – TBD
 - 10. Meeting of the Minds – September 24-27

13) ADJOURNMENT

- a) Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is November 6, 2025, at **6:30 PM**. (in the **Board Room**)
- b) Next General Membership Meeting is November 20, 2025, at **6pm** at **Guido's Restaurant**
- c) Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 P.M. made by Marie , 2nd by Dylan.
 - 1. Passed unanimously.