



ABATE of Anchorage Board Meeting Minutes
05 February 2026, 6:30PM to 8:30 PM

- 1) Meeting Called to Order
 - a) By Bonnie Welsh at 6:30 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) Previn Deveroux -- Present
 - d) Travis Fahlsing -- Zoom
 - e) Marie Berry -- Present
 - f) Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Absent
 - g) Stephanie Martinez -- Present

- 3) **OFFICER REPORTS (Optional) - (Indicate if Present)**
 - a) President -- Marie Berry -- Present
 - b) Vice President -- Dylan Hunt -- Present
 - c) Chairman of the Board -- Bonnie Welsh -- Present
 - d) Secretary -- Louise Crago -- Present
 - e) Treasurer -- Stephanie Martinez -- Present
 - f) Sgt-At-Arms -- Tom Dillon -- Present
 - g) Legislative Affairs
 - (1) Travis Falsing -- Zoom
 - (2) Louise Crago -- Present
 - h) Run Coordinator -- James Siegel Jr - Zoom
 - i) Membership Coordinator -- James Siegel Jr -- Zoom
 - j) Rider Education - Bonnie Welsh -- Present
 - k) Gaming - Dan "RC" Owens -- Absent
 - l) Products and Marketing
 - (1) Dannika Schneider -- Present
 - (2) Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Absent
 - m) Public Relations -- Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Absent
 - n) ABATE of Alaska State Board Reps
 - (1) Travis Fahlsing -- Zoom
 - (2) Louise Crago -- Present

- 4) **UPDATE OF AGENDA & APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES -**
 - a) Current Agenda Updates/Additions -
 - b) Approval of Agenda - motion by Stephanie, 2nd by Dan S.
 1. Passed unanimously.

- c) Approval Past Meeting(s) Minutes – From January 8, 2026 — motion by Stephanie , 2nd by Dan S.
 - 1. Passed unanimously.

5) INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS

- a) Dan Woody
- b) Laura Woody
- c) Julie Forsyth
- d) Gina Hager

6) Executive Session (only if needed/called)

- a) None

7) OLD BUSINESS –

- a) Meet/Greet – **Recap**
 - 1. Received good amount, positive feedback
 - 2. ~90 in attendance, 68 actually checked in at front table
 - 3. Need better, directive signage at next event
 - 4. Stick horse dancing game was a big hit
 - (1) Possibly promote something similar as a “prospect” game
 - 5. Trivia games need to be more orderly
 - 6. Change how the door prizes are done, hold up the item rather than drawing a number and trying to find the prize.
- b) Swap Meet – **Placeholder**
- c) The Gathering and Bike Blessing
 - 1. First Planning meeting will be February 10, 6pm at Kavas. Posted on FB along with next meeting 2 weeks after.
 - 2. Vets have agreed to do the Rolling Thunder at event.
 - 3. Green Knights will be doing road guard for the Rolling Thunder
 - 4. Vets have agreed to hold the after party.
 - 5. HOG Chapter 66 will do security
 - 6. Ride Day will be taking place during the event – hosted by MSF. Bonnie is planning
 - 7. Ride Day needs a separate ad
 - 8. Dannika to get with Bonnie on advertising
- d) Break-up Run
 - 1. James will work on route
 - 2. Will need someone to lead the run as James will be unavailable
 - 3. Dan agreed to lead
 - 4. Dylan will help with cards at each stop
- e) Eagle River Triathlon
 - 1. Marie to reach out for confirmation of dates
- f) Christmas in July – **Placeholder**
- g) Spenard Bike Week – **Placeholder**
- h) Freeze-up Run – **Placeholder**
- i) Alaska Strategic Highway Safety Plan

1. Meetings haven't started yet
- j) ABATE of Alaska State Board (**Travis & Louise**)
 1. Next meeting is in person on February 15, at Sushi Motto at 12 noon
- k) Legislative Agenda
 1. Legislative concerns
 - (1) Bonnie monitoring for any rulings, proposals for bills, etc regarding e-bikes so that we can be proactive rather than reactive
 2. Motorcycle profiling project.
 3. Bikers inside the Beltway – May 18-19 in Washington D.C.
 - (1) Travis is already booked to go
 4. SMSA - September 16-19 in Bloomington, MN - **Placeholder**
 5. Meeting of the Minds – September 24-27 in Milwaukee, WI - **Placeholder**
 6. COC liaison (**Marie**)
 - (1) Next Meeting March 14 at Post 1 on Fireweed at noon
 7. Traffic/Laws (**Louise**)
 - (1) Nothing to report
- l) Rider's Education Program (**Bonnie**)
 1. Updates:
 - (1) Have had several people sign up
 - (2) Many classes are on the website
 - (3) Rider Coach training will be May 21-24 and May 28-31, full days
 - (4) Will be taking applications soon for those interested in doing the training
 2. Scholarship – UAA safety booth (**Dylan**)
 - (1) No updates at this time
- m) Grants – ABATE and Rider class specific (**Louise**)
 - (1) Still monitoring – none yet
- n) Website – (**James**)
 1. Updates:
 - (1) Still working on the website
 - (2) Get with Dannika regarding Font and Type set
 - (3) Having some issues with emails on the new server and working through them
 - (4) Cannot set up email forwarding as the Admin credentials were changed after James used them approximately two weeks ago
 - (5) Need strategy to get email distribution lists
 - (6) Laura sent an email to Dave Monroe requesting the log in information
 1. Planning on waiting one week then will move to Plan B
- o) Financial Solvency and Fundraising
 1. Financials – Bookkeeper's reports
 - (1) Approved 2026 over budget
 - (2) Laura suggests that we don't regularly plan over budget
 2. Gaming permit
 3. Potential Fundraising
 4. CD
 - (1) Will mature March 7

- (2) Has earned \$1850 in 7 months
- (3) Dan motioned to reinvest the current Principal and Interest into a new CD after maturity. 2nd by Marie. Roll call vote:
 - 1. Travis – Yes
 - 2. Marie – Yes
 - 3. Dan – Yes
 - 4. Previn – Yes
 - 5. Stephanie – Yes
 - 6. Bonnie – Yes (vote not counted since not needed)
- 5. Fashion Pact
- 6. Non-Profits Min Reserve-75%
- p) MRF Report (**Travis Fahlsing**)
 - 1. MRF
 - 2. MRF A&E – Young Activist Scholarship
 - (1) Possibly have an ad run to promote the scholarship which promotes membership
 - (2) Dannika to interview Dylan to help get young riders to join ABATE and then be nominated for the scholarship
- q) Products and Marketing (**Dannika Schneider & Tiffany “12 Gauge Page” Karling**)
 - 1. Social Media Committee (**Dannika Schneider & Bonnie Welsh**)
 - (1) Updates:
 - 1. Dannika is working on Bike Blessing poster
 - 2. Design will not be voted on
 - 3. Once completed, Dannika will share and then start posting
 - 2. Swag bags for memberships – **enough for now**
 - 3. Range bags
 - (1) Not going to be done in the Board Room
 - (2) Need to decide when to have an assembly “session”
 - 4. Ads
 - (1) Possibly reach out to schools sooner in the next school year.
- r) By-Laws Changes and Issues - **Placeholder**
- s) Policies and Procedures
 - 1. Financial Policies
 - (1) Updates:
 - 2. Bike Blessing
 - (1) Updates:
 - 3. Toy Run
 - (1) Updates:
 - 4. Election Policy/Procedure
 - (1) Updates:
- t) Officer Operations Manuals
 - 1. Run Coordinator
 - (1) Updates:
 - 2. Membership Coordinator
 - (1) Updates:

8) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Wild Apricot access, permissions, and PW (Dan & Louise)
 - 1. Who has access and what permissions on Wild Apricot and Square
 - 2. Need to look at creating new Square site as the current is owned by Dave Monroe
 - 3. Need list of members from WA in the event we lose access and need to rebuild
 - 4. Need list of items listed in Square in the event we lose access and need to rebuild
 - 5. Working on all this as we wait to hear about Admin access for the website and such.
- b) Website access PW changed – (Jim) – see notes under website

9) OTHER SHORT BUSINESS

10) ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING/PENDING

- a) Marie to send Gina the gaming information link – **Not done**
- b) James to set up emails for all others – approximate 1/3 done due to issues

11) ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a) Dan & James to get together on route for break-up run.
- b) Dannika & Bonnie to get together regarding advertising for Bike Blessing and Ride Day
- c) Dannika to get with Tiffany about having Fashion Pact doing a Shout out or FB blast about ABATE and the events
- d) Bonnie to set up an email thread with Dannika, Dylan, and Travis to discuss and plan regarding MRF A&E
- e) Bonnie & Marie to come up with a date for range bags assembly

12) Calendar

- a) Event Calendar 2026:
 - 1. Annual Meet & Greet – January 24
 - 2. Swap Meet – April 25
 - 3. Gathering & Bike Blessing – May 2
 - 4. Break-up Run – May 9
 - 5. Bikers Inside the Beltway – May 18-19
 - 6. Eagle River Triathlon – June 27-28
 - 7. Christmas in July Toy Run – July 26
 - 8. Spenard Bike Week – August 2-9
 - 9. SMSA – September 16-19
 - 10. Freeze-Up Run – September 12
 - 11. Meeting of the Minds – September 24-27

13) ADJOURNMENT

- a) Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is March 5, 2026, at **6:30 PM.** (in the **Board Room**)
- b) Next General Membership Meeting is February 19, 2026, at **6pm** at **Las Margaritas.**
- c) Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8 P.M. made by Stephanie , 2nd by Previn.
 - 1. Passed unanimously.

Louise Crago

Secretary ABATE of Anchorage 4.13.2026