



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

- 1) Meeting Called to Order
 - a) By Bonnie Welsh 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) Previn Deveroux -- Present
 - d) Travis Fahlsing -- Present
 - e) Marie Berry -- Present
 - f) Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Present
 - 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 -- Absent
 - g) Legislative Affairs
 - (1) Travis Falsing -- Present
 - (2) Louise Crago -- Present
 - h) Run Coordinator -- James Siegel Jr - Absent
 - i) Membership Coordinator -- James Siegel Jr -- Absent
 - 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 -- Present
 - m) Public Relations -- Tiffany "12 Gauge Page" Karling -- Choose an item.
 - n) 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 - none
 - b) Approval of Agenda - motion by Dan S., 2nd by Travis
 1. Passed unanimously.

- c) Approval Past Meeting(s) Minutes – From February 5, 2026 — motion by Tiffany, 2nd by Dan S.
 - 1. Passed unanimously.

5) INTRODUCTION OF ANY GUESTS & MEMBERS

- a) Howard Hunt
- b) Alex Traxler
- c) Julie Forsyth
- d) Dan Woody
- e) Bart Saunders
- f) Don Jones

6) Executive Session (only if needed/called)

- a) None

7) OLD BUSINESS –

- a) Meet/Greet – **Placeholder**
- b) Swap Meet – April 27
- c) The Gathering and Bike Blessing – May 2
 - 1. 41 booths sold so far
 - 2. Meat is being donated by Mr. Prime Beef for after party
 - 3. Alaska Chip Company is donating individual bags of popcorn and chips
 - 4. Franz may be donating bread
 - 5. Suggested having vendors by Ride Day, possibly food
 - 6. Facilities manager suggested to Marie to request an additional row
 - 7. Move Center Stage if we get the additional row
- d) Break-up Run – May 9
 - 1. Dan didn't receive suggested route from James. Was sent to wrong email address. James resent the route.
 - 2. Bart from The Fallen Outdoors Team Alaska spoke
 - (1) Wants to partner for the break-up run
 - (2) Discussed what the plan and route was for their poker run along with activities at each stop. 4 stops with the 4th stop at the Bike Blessing at DHD then a long ride after.
 - (3) Will have raffles, live music, auction, and food truck
 - (4) If partnered with ABATE, will start at 9am at Alaska Leather
 - (5) 50/50 for the poker run always goes to the winner with the best hand and a non-profit of ABATE's choice. Will go to TFO.
 - (6) One Bart and Don Jones exited, discussion was had.
 - (7) Dan made a motion that if the cost to ABATE was not above \$200 then we agree to partner with TFO. Marie seconded the motion.
 - a. A committee will be made, Dan and James to meet with Bart, Dan taking the lead since James will be unavailable.
 - b. Passed unanimously.
- e) Eagle River Triathlon
 - 1. **Cancelled**

- f) Christmas in July – July 26 **Placeholder**
- g) Spenard Bike Week – August 2-9 **Placeholder**
- h) Freeze-up Run – September 12 **Placeholder**
- i) Alaska Strategic Highway Safety Plan
 - 1. No real meetings currently happening, things in action plans
- j) ABATE of Alaska State Board (**Travis & Louise**)
 - 1. State ABATE discussed the Wild Apricot cost and possible additional cost of texting if Anchorage wanted to text about renewal or events.
 - 2. State ABATE agreed to continue paying for WA and the additional cost if ABATE of Anchorage reimbursed the State.
 - (1) See additional notes in **Other Short Business**
- k) Legislative Agenda
 - 1. Legislative concerns
 - 2. Motorcycle profiling project.
 - 3. Bikers inside the Beltway – May 18-19 in Washington D.C.
 - 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**)
- l) Rider's Education Program (**Bonnie**)
 - 1. Updates:
 - (1) 22 people signed up so far
 - (2) Should have the contract for the range soon
 - (3) Need to get bikes purchased
 - (4) Need to figure out what to do with the donated motorcycle
 - a. Sale
 - b. Auction
 - 2. Scholarship – UAA safety booth (**Dylan**)
- m) Grants – ABATE and Rider class specific (**Louise**)
- n) Website – (**James**)
 - 1. Updates:
- o) Financial Solvency and Fundraising
 - 1. Financials – Bookkeeper's reports
 - (1) Laura sent via email
 - 2. Gaming permit
 - 3. Potential Fundraising
 - 4. CD
 - 5. Fashion Pact
 - 6. Non-Profits Min Reserve-75%
- p) MRF Report (**Travis Fahlsing**)
 - 1. MRF
 - 2. MRF A&E – Young Activist Scholarship
- q) Products and Marketing (**Dannika Schneider & Tiffany “12 Gauge Page” Karling**)
 - 1. Social Media Committee (**Dannika Schneider & Bonnie Welsh**)

- (1) Updates:
- 2. Swag bags for memberships – **enough for now**
- 3. Range bags
 - (1) Tiffany suggested donating the doo rags to the Range bags and add lens wipes in the student bags.
- 4. Merchandise:
 - (1) New shirt design for Gathering and Bike Blessing
 - a. Dylan, Dannika, and Tiffany to come up with design
 - b. Include year in the design
 - c. Have a separate shirt for general sales without year
 - d. Can pre-order t-shirt & year patch
 - e. To be discussed at planning meeting about pre-ordering to get a count idea.
 - (2) Discount current inventory to be able to move it and have room for the new shirts
- 5. Ads
 - (1) Doing an ad at UAA in color is \$375
 - a. Motion was made by Stephanie to approve a ½ page ad for commencement, up to \$550
 - b. Dan seconded the motion.
 - c. Roll call vote:
 - 1. Marie: Yes
 - 2. Tiffany: Yes
 - 3. Dan: Yes
 - 4. Previn: Yes
 - 5. Travis: Yes
 - 6. Stephanie: Yes
- 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) **Chamber of Commerce** – more than just meetings, they can also market our events. After discussion, decision was decided again to not renew membership.

9) OTHER SHORT 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 Wild Apricot 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.
 - 6. Need to discuss approval of texting fees for Wild Apricot \$0.02 per message until the end of 2026 the \$0.04
- b) Discussions:
 - 1. What to do with members from other regions
 - a) If signed up in Anchorage like at an event, assigned to Anchorage, on the website they can choose
 - 2. Concerns with WA and Square as they are under Dave Monroe and what if he decided to delete the accounts or block access, similar to the website issue.
 - a) Stephanie made a motion to start a new Wild Apricot and Square accounts with the treasurer position having audit abilities and the bookkeeper having admin rights. Tiffany seconded the motion.
 - b) Passed unanimously.
- c)
 - b) Website access PW changed – (Jim) – see notes under website

10) ACTION ITEMS FROM LAST MEETING/PENDING

- a) Marie to send Gina the gaming information link – **Not done**
- b) Dan & James to get together on route for break-up run. **Not done**

11) ACTION ITEMS FROM THIS MEETING

- a) Dan to contact Tracy about using photo for flyer. – **Done**
- b) Dannika to get with Bonnie to make ad for UAA *The Northern Light*
- c) Dylan to follow up on newspaper ad, will go into the office after Spring Break if no answer
- d) Marie to email Dimond Mall regarding getting an additional row for Blessing.
- e) Stephanie to reach out to vendor applicants that have not paid yet.
- f) James to make distribution Lists emails for: Board and Around
- g) Louise to connect with Laura and Stephanie to make appointment to create new Wild Apricot and Square accounts.

h) James to create & set up new Wild Apricot and Square accounts.

12) Calendar

- a) Event Calendar 2026:
 - 1. Swap Meet – April 25
 - 2. Gathering & Bike Blessing – May 2
 - 3. Break-up Run – May 9
 - 4. Bikers Inside the Beltway – May 18-19
 - 5. Eagle River Triathlon – **Cancelled**
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 - 10. Meeting of the Minds – September 24-27
- b) Event Calendar 2027:
 - 1. Annual Meet & Greet – **Placeholder**

13) ADJOURNMENT

- a) Next scheduled Board Meeting Date is April 2, 2026, at **6:30 PM**. (in the **Board Room**)
- b) Next General Membership Meeting is March 24, 2026, at **6pm** at Guido's.
- c) Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 P.M. made by Tiffany , 2nd by Stephanie.
 - 1. Passed unanimously.

Louise Crago

Secretary ABATE of Anchorage 4.13.2026