



ABATE OF ARIZONA

American Brotherhood Aimed Towards Education of Arizona
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State Meeting Minutes

Date: 03 August 2024
Time: 11:00AM
Place: Zoom

Call to Order: 11:02

Pledge of Allegiance –Motion to Waive, 1st Cynde, 2nd Mark, MSC.

Roll Taken

Attendance

President:	Jim Butsback	Present
Vice President	Paula Beall	Present
Secretary	Mark Krumrey	Present
Treasurer	Cliff Prentice	Excused
Membership	Cynde Ayd	Present
Legislative Director	Michael Infanzon	Present
Sergeant at Arms	Gary Crawford	Present
Safety	Matthew Reemelin	Excused
Political Action Coordinator (PAC)	Anissa Huntington	Excused
Communications:	Vacant	Vacant
Chapter Merchandise	Vacant	Vacant
Master Link	Betsy Newkirk	Present
BOD	Rick Ferguson	Present
State Runs and Events	Vacant	

Introduction of Guests & New Members: Sandra Tavares Too Broke For Sturgis (TBFS)

Minutes: July Minutes are accepted as they are.

REPORTS

President: Jim Butsback:

1. Reminded staff when sending emails to use subject line and do not tag on to other emails as some details can be missed.
2. Trademark filed for TBFS as of 23 July 2024. Mike to further discuss importance of this
3. Reminded staff ABATE is a nonpartisan organization.
 - 1) Do not use political slogans or imagery when using ABATE Correspondence
 - 2) Remain neutral
 - 3) Jim will disseminate a letter to membership with guidance.
4. **Governors Office of Highway Safety has approved grants for** Accident scene management, classes in Prescott area, discussion followed.
5. Lost member, Mark Hartel, Ken Jacobs (new rep for American Income Life) will process check once he gets death certificate.
 - a) Cynde asked Jim to send her information for her records
 - b) Betsy discussed aggressive selling tactics and volume of junk mail from AIL.
 - c) Jim will address with Ken

Vice-President: Paula Beall

1. Paula related an email she received from a Greek Promotion (Garbled) and wants to know more about TBFS for social media.
 - a) Jim advised to let staff know before giving out any information Paula will be forwarding to staff.
2. Reviewed her upcoming activities, MOTM, wants to get fliers out by September.

Treasurer: Cliff Prentice via Jim Butsback:

1. Jim explained new format of treasurers report and went over the treasurer's report.

Statement of Financial Position

As of July 31, 2024

ASSETS

Current Assets

Bank Accounts

Checking

@State Account (3600) - 1	72,060.23
Coyote Pass, Kingman 6820	688.00
East Valley 7186	3,919.02
Globe 5202	290.47
High Country 3237	946.33
Mohave 7160	963.20
Phoenix Shadow Mountain 2864	3,957.96
Southern Arizona 5044	5,603.20
Yavapai 2514	6,030.85
Yuma 6186	2,306.26

Total Checking	96,765.52
Total Bank Accounts	96,765.52
Total Current Assets	96,765.52
TOTAL ASSETS	\$96,765.52

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	
Equity	
Retained Earnings	101,875.50
Net Revenue	-5,109.98
Total Equity	96,765.52
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$96,765.52

Statement of Cash Flows

July 2024

OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Net Revenue	-2,948.58
Adjustments to reconcile Net Revenue to Net Cash provided by operations:	
Net cash provided by operating activities	-2,948.58
NET CASH INCREASE FOR PERIOD	-2,948.58
Cash at beginning of period	99,714.10
CASH AT END OF PERIOD	\$96,765.52

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Total Bank Accounts	96,765.4
Total Current Assets	96,765.4
TOTAL ASSETS	\$96,765

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Equity	
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Net Revenue	-5,109.9
Total Equity	96,765.4
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$96,765

Statement of Cash Flows

July 2024

OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Net Revenue	-2,948.5
Adjustments to reconcile Net Revenue to Net Cash provided by operations:	
Net cash provided by operating activities	-2,948.5
NET CASH INCREASE FOR PERIOD	-2,948.5
Cash at beginning of period	99,714.1
CASH AT END OF PERIOD	\$96,765

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2. Still having issues with High Country due to personnel turbulence in chapter.

Membership: Cynde Aydt

1. Discussed differences between State Statistics and Spreadsheet statistics being off.
 - a. Cynde addressed state statistics from Spreadsheet: 616 members, down 21 from last month, system says we have 654 members,
 - b. Cynde has noticed an increase in renewals as some of the chapters are working on retention. Mentioned High Country and East Valley.
 - c. Phoenix dropped Shadow Mountain and is now Phoenix.
 - d. Discussed Dual Business Membership costs and raising dues.
 - e. Discussion followed.
 - f. Betsy made motion to raise dues by \$50.00 to \$200.00 a year and adjust the P&P To reflect the increase Paula 2nd, MSC.
2. Cynde noted that in the P&P membership prices were never updated. Jim and Cynde agreed to update the language for clarification.
3. Jim clarified for Mike how a dual business membership works
4. Cynde stated that Globe has 21 members and 3 officers in reference to Betsy's question
 - a. Mark stated has not received any minutes from Globe since March. Jim to follow up.
 - b. Further discussed Chapters delinquent in Minutes and following the format.

Legislative Director: Mike Infanzon

1. Mike gave Senator Bolick her year tab and has a photo of her with the owner of Discount Biker Supply
 - a. Discount Biker is in Senator Bolick's district, good thing for Discount Biker Supply
 - b. Both the Senator and her husband attended the DBS grand opening and were happy to be there, bought some items from Discount Biker Supply.
2. Mike discussed legislative survey and frustration in receiving zero feedback from the chapters.
 - a. Sent emails out two months ago to chapter coordinators and has received zero feedback to date.
 - b. When asked if the survey could go direct to membership, Mike explained the process and criticality of going through Chapter Coordinators.
 - 1) Discussion followed
3. Mike discussed the PAC in concert with the Tax Status Being up to date
 - a. Mike to add Cliff to PAC Bank Account,
 - b. Start having regular PAC Meetings
 - c. Anissa is State PAC Officer and will oversee PAC meetings
 - 1) East Valley, Mohave and Southern AZ chapters with PAC officers
 - d. Mike went into details of responsibilities of PAC Officers and past successes
 - e. Current PAC Balance is \$350.00
 - 1) Discussion followed as Mike explained the purpose of PAC independent from ABATE.
 - 2) Will not be posted in the Master Link

Arizona Bike PAC: Anissa Huntington

1. Mike covered above

Safety: Matthew Reemeling: No Report

1. More fatalities due to side swiping and red light running, but no rear end collisions. Lane Filtering working.
 - a. Issues to bring up to the legislature.
2. Cynde asked about a Share the Road Video, Mike expressed concern and displeasure to AMSAF and Governor's office for being left out of meetings, will be meeting with Law Tigers with regards to advertising and education to the general public. Will advise in October at the State Officers meeting.
3. Gary asked about other Chapters doing Motorcycle Awareness programs
 - a. Mike reiterated that it is a state program, problems are getting trainers and interest in outlying areas.
 - b. Discussion followed

Merchandise: Vacant

Runs & Events: Vacant

Communications: Vacant

1. Mike asked about Open Rate of emails, if there was any data regarding people opening emails that are sent.
2. Joe Silk volunteered to be new Communications Officer to fill out Judi Millers term.

3. Rick directed Betsy to the Bylaws and P&P what the duties are for the Communications Officer
4. Motion made to approve Joe as interim Communications Officer, Cynde 1st, Gary 2nd, Betsy Abstained, MSC.

Master Link: Betsy Newkirk

1. Still trying to get feedback from Chapters for inclusion in Master Link. Will get with Mark on reports to get information from Minutes.
2. Cynde encouraged Betsy to send her way for request of information as well.
3. Continue to encourage Chapters to submit articles of interest to Master Link.

BOD: Rick Ferguson:

1. Tax status is reinstated back to when it was suspended.
2. Paula has filed an extension to file our 2023 Taxes, we are back in the “Good Graces” of the IRS and are now a 501C.4 again. Rick will be sending out reinstatement letter from IRS.
3. Discussed face to face meeting in November, Mike asked purpose of the meeting.
 - a) Rick stated 1. Elect new officers, and camaraderie.
 - b) Mike gave examples of meetings, alternate between Phoenix and Tucson, speakers’ events, dinners etc. at hotels, money per person etc. Possibly do something similar. Vendor tables, sponsors, awards etc.
 - c) Rick to bring to board.
 - d) Discussion followed Betsy suggested rotating meetings each year with different chapters hosting.
 - e) Rick expressed concern about having quorum at BOD meeting in relation to Chapters hosting meetings as trouble getting responses from Chapters. Further discussion followed.
 - f) Expressed ideas for bringing in younger and diverse members
4. Rick congratulated all who helped out and for getting our tax status back and we can now file our income taxes, citing specifically Paula and Cliff.

Runs Events: Jim Butsback

1. TBFS: Sandra Tavares: Researched over 50 various campgrounds for TBFS with negative results due to inability to accommodate the number of people
2. Last year at Winslow was 500 people, this year down to 300.
3. Complaints of heat, etc.
4. Looked at Camp Raymond, May and or July Time Frame:
 - a) \$2000.00 for the weekend, \$5.00 per person, has 4 cabins; includes trash, bathrooms, etc., went into further detail about the benefits of camp, downside is a five mile hardpack dirt road
 - b) Rick in favor of Camp Raymond, might be too far for Southern AZ members.
 - c) Proximity to Williams, would encourage vendors, trailers for ice, and expendables: Propane fires only, no open camp fires.
 - d) Sales tax of 6.9%, Abate can get special use permit for sale of alcohol.
 - e) Advised it’s Boy Scout America property, act accordingly.
 - f) ABATE Volunteers to get \$5.00 entry fee rate.
 - g) Betsy asked about the White Mountain area, most campsites can’t accommodate the numbers.
 - h) Discussion followed.
 - i) Mike advised that in all correspondence regarding TBFS to use the circle R trademark logo.

j) Mike discussed process and results of trademarking TBFS and advantage to ABATE.

New Business: Jim Butsback

1. Advertising in AZ Rider to continue through December.
2. Attendance at Meeting of the Minds: Paula and Jim are going, Betsy asked about inclusion in the Master Link.
3. Discussed donations to MRF with regards to Policy Engage and lack of emails from Policy Engage. Re-evaluate donation amount to MRF.
4. Motion to give Bikers for Christ \$200.00, Rick 1st Cynde 2nd, Mike to Match ABATE \$100.00 for total of \$200.00

Fund raiser on Sept 14 at Sunriders Club House.

- 1) Jim to encourage members to man table at event
 - 2) Betsy to display poster in Master Link
5. Mike Discussed Idea of having rolling suitcase and rolling table with promotional materials ready to go.
- 1) Folding table, popups, literature, all materials ready to go in one spot.
 - 2) Mentioned examples of events to have displays, Gun Shows, Car shows, etc.
 - 3) Mike would like to get quotes for "I Vote" Tee Shirts
 - 4) Jim to order Lane Filtering cards with QR Codes

Motion to Adjourn: Mike 1st, Betsy 2nd Motion carried to adjourn at 12:45PM.

Next Meeting: ?? 2024

Date & Time: ?? 1100.

Where: ZOOM

Minutes taken from recorded Zoom meeting by Mark Krumrey
Typed 08/04/2024.

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