

Board of Directors Minutes

Date: Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021
Time: 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

Location: State Office - 7509 N 12th St, Phoenix, AZ 85020

Join-in by phone:

Dial-in number (US): (425) 436-6380

Access Code: 4616921

Join-in by computer:

Join the online meeting: <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/chairman142>

Online meeting ID: chairman142

Description: Regular Quarterly Meeting

Quorum Attendance:

High Country	Dean Mickelson	Absent
Mohave	Tom Aydt	Present
Phoenix-SM	Mary K Donnay	Present by Proxy
	Robb Felder Proxy	
Southern Arizona	Susan "Two Spirits" McConnell	Present
Superstition	Jack Batty	Present
Yavapai	Deborah Butitta	Present
Yuma	Frank White	Present by Proxy
	Gilbert Hernandez Proxy	

State Officers/Committee Chairs:

Outgoing Chairman	Woody Phillips	Present by phone
President	Shirley Bizub	Present
Treasurer	Tara Rudometkin	Absent
Legislative Director	Mike Infanzon	Present
ByLaws Committee	Susan Grimmer-Potter	Present

Guests: Harley Pettit – Kingman ABATE of AZ Independents: A letter was sent to the BOD listing Mr. Pettit's qualifications and desire to form a new ABATE chapter in Kingman, Arizona. He has a Chapter Coordinator, Chapter Secretary and Chapter Treasurer the three officers necessary to form a new Chapter of ABATE of Arizona per the bylaws. Robb Felder, Proxy for Mary K Donnay, requested to see the bylaws for verbiage on forming a new chapter. Accordingly the gist of the bylaws is that a Chapter is formed under the direction of the State President. Jack Batty pointed out that ALL ABATE of Arizona chapters are under the direction of the State President. Shirley expressed that she wishes to meet the officers. The discussion of the Board of Directors

indicated that after that meeting, as all criteria are met that the new Chapter should be welcomed into ABATE of Arizona. Mr. Pettit proposes the name of the Chapter will be Iron Horse.

Agenda:

I. Call to Order

Time: _12 noon

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CCDCLVI. **State Secretary present.**

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CCDCLVII. **Pledge of Allegiance – Woody**

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CCDCLVIII. **Chairperson Comments – Woody expressed his hopes for a strong ABATE of Arizona going forward.**

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CCDCLIX. **Chairman Nominations and Election – Woody called for nominations for a new Chair of the BOD. Mike Infanzon and Robb Felder nominated Mary K Donnay (who was not present due to family circumstances). Jack Batty was nominated to be Vice-Chair of the BOD in any circumstances when/if Mary K Donnay was absent in order for the meeting to move forward. Both were elected by acclaim.**

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CCDCLX. **Chairperson Comments – _____ (sorry I didn't specifically make note of this)**

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CCDCLXI. **Prior Meeting Minutes (Waive or Read) – Motion to waive reading of the prior meeting's minutes made by Deb Butitta, 2nd Robb Felder. Motion carried by acclaim.**

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XVIII. **Reports**

1. President – Shirley Bizub – A big Thank You to everyone who attended and contributed to ABATE's participation in Riot on the River. ABATE sold the most 50/50 tickets. ABATE's basket for the fund raiser was the best, per others who attended Riot on the River
2. Treasurer – Tara Rudometkin - Absent

3. Legislative Director's Report – Michael Infanzon – He has spoken to Kirsten Synema regarding joining the Motorcycle Caucus in Washington DC. Due to COVID-19 many legislators are working from home. Several bills are coming up and Mike will be putting out calls to action when the time comes for these bills and others to be heard. Lane filtering; Kong's Law – this is a statute to help all motorcyclists. It will change the wording to increase the penalty to felony for serious injury to a motorcyclist by a driver of anyother vehicle; riding unendorsed is going to be adding a penalty; anti-profiling – only one city does not comply with the Memorial passed in 2020, mulling a way to impose consequences for noncompliance.
4. ByLaws Committee – Susan Grimmer-Potter – Bylaws may only be changed/edited every 5 years (last edited 2015). P&P's may be edited/updated/changed more frequently (last edited in 2016). Files will be sent to Mary K and Jack for board presentation by mid February.

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XIX. Old Business Agenda Items

1. 2018, 2019 & 2020 TAX FILINGS – Treasurer – not present. Gilbert Hernandez made a motion, 2nd by Robb Felder that the tax preparation be completed on or before the next State Officer's meeting which is February 6, 2021. Motion carried by acclaim.
2. Status of Kingman ABATE of AZ Independents – Harley Pettit – See page 1.and attached

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XX. New Business Agenda Items

1. Review/Approve State Budget Item for New Website – President – approved.

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DVIII. Next Meetings/Events (2021)

1. BOD Meeting @ AZ American Italian Club – 12 Street, Phoenix 85020 – Saturday, April 3rd, 2021 at 1 PM.

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XXI. Adjourn

- First__Deb Butitta Second__Susan "Two Spirits" McConnell

Attachments:

1. Outgoing Chairman's Letter
2. Harley Pettit's letter of request for new chapter and his qualifications

To the next Board of Directors of ABATE of AZ,
As the new term begins with some new and some previous representatives, you have the responsibility of setting the corporation's policies and procedures and overseeing those policies for the benefit of all of our members. You are responsible for the budgets that make the necessary actions to fulfill those policies possible. These are important matters and the members have placed much faith in you to accomplish this.

The members you represent come from many different backgrounds. They represent every possible political view. You must not think of yourselves as Democrats or Republicans or Independents (or whatever I have become). You must always think of yourselves as bikers and act accordingly.

The meetings you have to determine these matters will sometimes grow contentious but you must treat each other with the respect and love you all deserve. Sometimes this job is easy. Most times it is not. But it is incumbent on each of you to put the organization ahead of your personal agendas and always respect the opinions of your peers.

It has been my honor to serve ABATE of AZ as its Chairman for the last 2 years. I offer my full support, shoulder and ear to whomever you select as the next Chair.

All Bikes. All Riders.

Woody Phillips