

## ATLANTIC MOTORCYCLE COORDINATING COUNCIL

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These are the Minutes of the 157<sup>th</sup> AMCC meeting held at the Cherry Grove Fire House on Fire Island, New York on Saturday, May 17, 2008, during the Excelsior MC's Lust for Life Anniversary run.

### CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Steven James, in the absence of President Mel Jacobs, called the meeting to order at 1:10 pm.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** COMMAND MC, DC Boys of Leather, Empire City MC, Entre Nous, Excelsior MC, Harbor Masters, Iron Guard BC, Long Island Ravens MC, Pennsmen, Philadelphians MC, Pocono Warriors, ShipMates Club of Baltimore, Twilight Guard

**Proxy:** Reading Railmen (to Excelsior MC), Spartan MC (to Pennsmen), SNC London (AMCC President)

**Absent:** Bucks MC, Centaur MC, DC Bear Club, Griffins MC, Highwaymen TNT, Knight Hawks of Virginia, NE Pennsylvania Leathermen, Potomac MC, STARS MC, TBLC of VA,

Ouorum was present.

Guests: DefendersNY, Renegades

### **MINUTES**

A proposal to accept the Minutes of the 156<sup>th</sup> meeting was moved by Twilight Guard and seconded by DC Boys of Leather. The motion passed.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS**

Secretary's report: The Secretary passed out AMCC packets (minutes of the 156<sup>th</sup> meeting, sanction calendar, agenda for the 157<sup>th</sup> meeting). Contact information was also distributed.

A letter is to be sent to DefendersNY asking them if they wish to rejoin AMCC under the favorable provisions provided for in the Articles of Agreement.

Another letter is to be sent to STARS MC, requesting their presence at the October meeting in Reading so they can fulfill the attendance requirement enjoined by the Articles.

**Treasurer's report:** The Treasurer indicated that Council had a cash balance of \$1,845.46. He also reminded member clubs that AMCC patches were available.

**Vice President's report:** The Vice President indicated that he would shortly distribute an email requesting additions for the nonsanctioned event calendar.

**President's report:** The President sent his regrets at being unable to attend due to a last minute business trip.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Outreach Committee:** Thanks were extended to all who attended and helped out at the All-Club Bar Night held on April 5, 2008 at the Red Star Saloon in Reading, Pennsylvania, with the Reading Railmen hosting. Members from nine AMCC clubs attended. Approximately \$450.00 was raised for the AMCC; a remaining similar amount is to be donated to a local pediatric AIDS charity in the Reading area.

The Outreach Committee is taking up a project on how best to respond to changes in the leather community and the larger environment. The President of DC Boys of Leather has brought back some ideas from a leather conference in Philadelphia which may assist the AMCC and member clubs in meeting the challenges facing all groups in maintaining and promoting participation in the leather community. Suggestions are to be formulated by the Committee and brought to Council at a later meeting for consideration.

**Historian's Committee**: Being unable to attend, the Historian sent a report to be read into the Minutes: No new business for the Historian to report.

**Web Committee:** The Web Master, being absent, sent a brief report to be read into the Minutes. No new problems apparent; old problems resolved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### Amendments and Additions to the sanction calendar

One request was made to amend the date of a sanction event. Entre Nous requested that the dates for its October 2008 event be changed from October 24-26, lasting more than 30 hours, to just Saturday, October 25, an event lasting less than 30 hours.

Three additions were requested to the existing sanction calendar. Iron Guard BC requested September 20, 2008 for its 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary. The Harbor Masters requested November 1, 2008 for their Anniversary Banquet. (It was determined that since Philadelphia is over 300 miles from Portland, under the Articles of Agreement (VIII.C), this request does not constitute a conflict of dates with the Philadelphians' existing sanction event from October 31 to November 2, 2008.) The DC Boys of Leather requested July 2 to 6, 2009 for their 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event.

Twilight Guard moved, and the Philadelphians and Long Island Ravens simultaneously seconded, a motion to accept these amendments and additions. The motion passed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## Location of the 159<sup>th</sup> Meeting

The DC Boys of Leather submitted a request, which was granted, to host the 159<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the AMCC Meeting on July 4, 2009 in Washington, DC.

## Reminder of Upcoming AMCC Meetings

Member clubs were reminded that 158<sup>th</sup> Meeting will be held in Reading, Pennsylvania on October 11, 2008. As the schedule of Council Meetings now stands, nominations for AMCC officers for 2009-2011 are to be submitted at the 158<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

It is further noted that under the provisions of the Articles of Agreement (V.C), another Meeting must be held before April 5, 2009 for the purpose of holding the election. Council will entertain

requests at the October 2008 Meeting to host such an election meeting; if no requests are made at that time, Council will determine a time and place for that Meeting.

#### Other New Business

A concern was raised from the floor over the status of clubs on the verge of resigning. What could Council do, if anything, to encourage member clubs to remain in Council? Members of the executive board noted that Council was aware of the situation; steps were being taken within the parameters of the Articles of Agreement.

#### **CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS**

COMMAND thanked Excelsior for hosting the meeting and extended a hearty invitation to its own November anniversary.

DC Boys of Leather congratulated Excelsior on its anniversary and extended an invitation to attend its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary event in 2009. If in DC, join us at our 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday bar nights.

Empire City MC congratulated Excelsior.

Entre Nous congratulated Excelsior. During the recent "Codes of Color" event with the Harbor Masters and other clubs in Boston, we raised \$500.00.

Excelsior MC thanked everyone for attending their anniversary. A total of \$485.00 was raised at the Master/slave auction on Friday night, and will be donated to a Fire Island charity.

The Harbor Masters congratulated Excelsior on its anniversary, and the broad range of weather. We are holding an anniversary banquet in November, and making a concerted road trip to COMMAND's anniversary the following week.

Iron Guard thanked Excelsior for holding the meeting. We are a sponsor of Leather Pride Night (June 21) and Folsom Street East (June 22).

Long Island Ravens congratulated Excelsior for the weekend and hosting the meeting. We are holding a White Party at the Long Island Eagle on June 21, and attending a leather weekend at Hillside on July 18-19.

Pennsmen congratulated Excelsior on its anniversary. We are having a camping run in the woods from June 13 through 15.

Philadelphians MC congratulated Excelsior on its anniversary. Our anniversary will center on an anniversary banquet in Philadelphia on November 1.

Pocono Warriors congratulated Excelsior. Some of our members were present 33 years ago when Excelsior was formed and we are glad to see the club come so far. Join us for 100 Men in the Woods at Oneida Campground in August.

ShipMates congratulated Excelsior and thanked the club for hosting the meeting. We're getting ready for KeelHaul 2009.

Twilight Guard congratulated Excelsior on its 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary. We've had a good year and invite you to join us on our bar nights at Triangles Café in Danbury.

## GOOD & WELFARE

Pennsmen noted that Peter Lloyd, former treasurer of the AMCC, was on extended leave in Florida to care for his father, but would welcome any members saying hello online or by other means.

The Renegades expressed its thanks to Excelsior and extended its condolences to Victor Skolnik on the passing of his father. The club is supporting "Floating World," a pansexual event taking place in Edison, New Jersey. We are also planning an All-Club bar night in October, as well as the Mr. East Coast Rubber Contest.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The Long Island Ravens MC made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by ShipMates. The motion passed, the meeting closed at 1:48 pm.

## **AMCC SANCTIONED CALENDAR (UPDATED 5/17/2008)**

## 2008

FEBRUARY 23	156 <sup>th</sup> AMCC Meeting
MARCH 28-30	LONG ISLAND RAVENS—16 <sup>TH</sup> Anniversary run
<u>APPRIL</u> 25-27	NE Pennsylvania Leathermen—12th Anniversary in Scranton, PA
MAY 16-18 17	Excelsior MC—33 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Run on Fire Island, NY <b>157</b> <sup>th</sup> <b>AMCC Meeting</b>
JUNE 6-8 12-15 20-27	Knight Hawks of Virginia—15 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary run Pennsmen run Spartan MC—40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Marathon Run
<u>JULY</u> 25-27	TBLC Camp Out
AUGUST 1-3 8-10 29-31	Pocono Warriors—100 Men in the Woods DCBC—Bear Invasion Centaur MCOlympia
SEPTEMBER 1 20	Centaur MC—Olympia Iron Guard—Anniversary
OCTOBER 10-12	Reading Railmen—30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary

158<sup>th</sup> AMCC Meeting 11 Entre Nous—Anniversary Banquet in Boston 25 The Philadelphians MC Anniversary 31 **NOVEMBER** The Philadelphians MC Anniversary 1-2 The Harbor Masters—Anniversary Banquet 1 COMMAND—Mr. Maryland Leather Contest weekend 7-9 Bucks MC—Santa Saturday 29 **DECEMBER** Empire City MC—Toys for Tots 2009 **JULY** DC Boys of Leather—10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary **159<sup>th</sup> AMCC Meeting** 2-6 4