

Mid Atlantic Barbecue Association
Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting
April 2, 2025
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Board Members Present

Andrew Darneille	President
Lisa Dommès	Secretary
Samantha Adams	Treasurer
Bill DeHoff	
Andrea Menke	
Grace Moore	
Shannon Turner	

Board Members Absent

Lee Evans	Vice President
Henry Jones	

Call to Order

Andrew Darneille called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m., noting the presence of a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

The March 5, 2025 meeting minutes were approved.

Committee Reports and Action Item Discussion

- A. Membership Committee – Establishing a Kids Que ToY program was discussed, to be sponsored by Cooking for the Kids. Grace Moore will break down the age groups for the ToY chases. Lisa Dommès and Grace Moore will reach out to Stephanie West about training on calculating the Steak ToY points.

- B. Publications Committee – Social media posts need to be created for the upcoming state cups. The Board discussed who should be allowed to post contests, merchandise, or businesses to the MABA social media pages/groups. There is also an increasing amount of spam and fake accounts on the MABA Facebook group. The Board will establish mandatory rules for the group that must be accepted before joining the group to cut down on fake accounts. There will be a rule that disparaging comments about people, businesses or contests will not be tolerated and should be reported to the group Admins for review. Only members will be allowed to post regarding their business or contest. The Board discussed splitting the Judge and Organizer membership levels because the Organizers have the added benefit of promoting their contests. Membership levels and pricing will be discussed in further detail at the next meeting.

- C. Finance Committee – Samantha Adams discussed the budget and the impact of falling membership levels.

- D. Website/Technology Committee – Updates are needed, and the committee will work on it. The ToY standings on the website have been zeroed out so the 2025 points can start accruing. Ron Vasold has asked to join the committee, and he was approved.

- E. Social Committee – Possible events were discussed for upcoming contests.

- F. Strategic Planning Committee – No report.

- G. Nominations Committee – No report until later in the year.

- H. Bylaws Committee – No report.

Unfinished Business

No items were discussed.

New Business

No items were discussed.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Dommès