

Board of Transportation Safety Meeting Minutes

06/18/09

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DMV Headquarters, Richmond, Virginia

Chair: Charles Rosemond		Recording Secr	etary: Audrey Odum	
Board Me Present:	mbers	Charles Rosemond Melvin Robertson Rebecca Martin	Bruce Wingo Seldon Rhodes Tom McGrath	Dee Bowles Allen Muchnick Charlie Quillin
Board Mer Absent:	mbers	Walter Yeatts	Judy Suddith	Paulette Benson
Special Guest(s): Lorraine Novak, NI			TSA Regional Program	n Manager
DMV Staf	f:	David Mitchell Angelisa Jennings Audrey Odum Darlene Kelly	John Saunders Ernestine Barrett Elroy Bentick	David Mosley Eula Moore-Anderson Shuron Booker
CTSP Staf	ff:	Steve Goodwin Bob Weakley Mary Ann Rayment Steve Goodwin	Monty Mills Butch Letteer Dwight Jenkins	Doug Stader Kimberly Burt Bruce Biondo

Chair Charles Rosemond called meeting to order, thanked everyone for attending and recognized Lorraine Novak from NHTSA. The Chair also mentioned that Judy Suddith's first term expired June 30, 2009 and she had submitted a request not to be reappointed to a second term due to work obligations.

David Mitchell mentioned that the grant process continues to improve and time frames are easily met using the electronic grant system. David also mentioned how much the grant review times had been reduced for both the program managers and the Allocations Committee.

Secretary to the Board, David Mitchell did roll call. Representation was sufficient for a quorum.

Board Business

Chair Charles Rosemond asked the Board to review for approval the minutes from the January 2009 meeting. Approved with no amendments.

David Mitchell mentioned that there was no past action items other than Board's pending request to have a representative from the HERO Campaign attend a future meeting to discuss program. Also, he mentioned that Board members requested to be invited to regional workshops in their respective district.

David Mitchell provided a brief overview of 2009 passed legislation. Discussion arose concerning primary safety belt legislation and the proper timeframe in which the Board could make a recommendation for support.

Action: Update safety belt resolution showing the majority of Board's support for primary safety belt law.

Dave Rhodes, Chair of the Awards Committee, provided an update on it's meeting of April 1st to select winners of the 2009 Governor's Transportation Safety Awards. He recognized the other two members of the committee, Rebecca Martin and Tom McGrath. The Awards Ceremony will be held on August 12th in conjunction with the annual Judicial Transportation Safety Conference. Secretary Pierce Homer is scheduled to serve as the honored guest to present the awards on behalf of the Governor.

Bruce Wingo mentioned the Safety Train ride of October 28, 2009 where Virginia Operation Lifesavers and Norfolk Southern Corporation will address safety concerns regarding rail, pedestrian, and motor vehicle activities. Board will be hearing more about this event and be invited to attend.

Standing Reports

Angelisa Jennings provided an overview of crash statistics.

Eula Moore-Anderson provided an updated Financial Report.

Presentation

Lorraine Novak gave regrets on behalf of Dr. Beth Baker on her absence at the meeting. Dr. Baker sent remarks commending Virginia on it's safety efforts and results. Lorraine took the opportunity to recognize Deputy Director Angelisa Jennings and her Traffic Records Management, Reporting and Analysis team in working diligently to ensure Virginia qualified as a "low alcohol rate" state and qualify for approximately \$3 million in 410 Alcohol funding. Lorraine also mentioned several new opportunities in receiving safety communications including new webinar's on Click It or Ticket, Checkpoint Strickforce and Ignition Interlock that are available. (www.R3Communication.org)

Melvin Robertson, member of the Allocations Committee, gave a brief overview of the May 21st grants review meeting and recognized committee members, Walter Yeatts, who served as Chair and Bruce Wingo. Melvin also recognized staff for all their hard work in making make the process easy for the Board.

David Mitchell addressed the Board regarding the 2009 grant process. He discussed how federal funds would be allocated by district and funds distributed based on data, which identified the specific highway safety related problems for that geographic region. Additionally, it was reiterated that again this year performance measures were in place to determine the effectiveness of those safety projects approved for funding.

David Mosley began the review of the 2010 grant requests. Grants approved with some changes. The Board's recommendations for funding will be forwarded to the Secretary of Transportation for final approval.

Action: Furnish revised summary of grants, with changes and additional action to Board.

Bruce Wingo requested that the grant spreadsheet show amount of funding grantee received in prior years.

David Mosley also presented to Board two FY2009 grant increase request.

- DMV Hwy Safety Office Media \$350,000.
- DMV VA Statewide Seat Belt Survey \$53,000.

Recommended approval was received from Board on both increases.

<u>New Business from Floor</u>

Action: Chair Charles Rosemond asked for motion to request staff to prepare a Resolution for Board member Judy Suddith and to invite her to a future meeting to thank her for her time served on the Board.

The Chair also mentioned the new by-laws and that it is time for the election of a Chair and Vice-Chair for the upcoming year. The Chair noted that he had served two years and has enjoyed the opportunity to serve the Board, the Commonwealth and to work with such a dedicated group that have such a passion in promoting transportation safety. The Chair also mentioned that the Vice-Chair position does not hold a time limit on service. Walter Yeatts who has served as Vice-Chair has the opportunity to move up to Chair, stay as Vice – Chair or just serve as a member.

At this time, the Chair asked for volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee. Dee Bowles, Charles Quillin and Tom McGrath agreed to serve. Dee Bowles will serve as Chair to the Committee.

The Chair asked that any member interested in serving as either Chair or Vice-Chair, should notify one of these committee members by September 1st. At our fall meeting, the Nominating Committee will bring forth a slate of officers to be voted on by the full Board. The new Chair will begin serving at the first meeting of 2010.

Public Comment - None

Dates of Future Meetings -	August 12 th – Judicial	Transportation Safety Conference
	Date TBD – Fall TSB N	Aeeting

<u>Meeting Adjourned</u>