

Meeting Notes



VHSA Board Meeting

April 5th, 2017 Wednesday 9:00 – 11:00 am

Vermont Agency of Transportation – 3^d Floor Conference Room 313

Glen Button, Doug Masson, Ted Minall, Ture Nelson, Sheriff Bohnyak, Evelyn McFarlane, Mandy White, Jason Van Driesche, Ken Millman, Mary Eversole, Barbara Brody, Scott Davidson, Dan Goodman, Chrissy Keating, Tanya Wells, Chauncey Liese, (for Jake) Frank Koss, [Mario Dupigny-Giroux](#), [Roger Thompson](#)

Phone: Bill Mitchell, Tom Fields, Nancy Andrus

Welcome **Glen Button** **9:00**

Update with John & Glen – Proposed collaboration with Quebec Highway Safety planned to meet in Derby. Date and more information to follow. Will try to align it with next Board meeting.

Would be nice to get some data from them. Bruce and Karen Sondheim in touch with them.

John to update on New York driving summit. Good participation. John presented on saliva testing. No state adopted it yet, but may be things from it to adopt in future.

Dan – Day two of the summit in Bangor, Maine. John to present at the summit in Maine.

Updates **Glen/Lt. John Flannigan** **9:05**

VHSA Update **Evelyn McFarlane** **9:15**

News – Ford Motor Company coming this summer – July 18th 19th and 20th.

200 to 300-students total can participate in the 2 days. Looking at K-mart . Checking conditions of the parking lot to see if it is in good shape. More details to come.

OP 802 – Task force started a project for print media that uses a ‘poster face’ Evan Hallstrom, to connect with teens for seatbelt use. Will print posters and postcards with him as CIOT message.

Evan Hallstrom – will also go to Barre car show.

Bristol – Mt. Abraham on May 5th Friday – Collaborative effort. They got a grant to put this safety fair on. Jim and Kevin Massey will present at November 3rd at Drivers Ed conference on the how to put one of these fairs on for high schools. 12 organizations involved. Barbara would like to do the same type of fair in Essex (space an issue). They will present outcome of fair at a Board meeting.

Encouragement of sending articles and data to Evelyn for sharing and posting on the Web-site.

Information on USA grant A Community Thrives – The VHSA has submitted a video to enter the competition in collaboration with Chrissy Keating, and Tanya Wells. Voting period of one month. Appeal to the Board to vote everyday – and to share with the public.

Barbara and Nancy will share with Drivers Ed teachers. Evelyn will email a link every day.

Video seen as a living document that can be used for fundraising. Hope to bring this project to every high school in Vermont even without USA Today the grant.

2019 – The national youth safety fair may be back in New England and it would be great to have scholarships to send Vermont students. SADD for instance goes to this conference.

Legislative Update Lt. John Flannigan 9:20

House Bill 8 – Distracted Driving – in committee
License plates on pleasure cars – front plate - still in committee
H-20 prohibiting consumption of marijuana in vehicles.
H-24 – relating to drugs and driving.
H-54 – total absence program – in committee (3 years of sobriety)
H-62 motor vehicle light study – in committee
H-146 – imply and consent (like drug and driving) Likely to pass
Colored Lights – (blue lights on Fire Equipment) in committee
Saliva testing Bill – not moving
H-367 – Ice on vehicles – in committee
H-44 – Involuntary towing storage – in committee
Senate 127 – in committee
S-29 – companion to H-44
S-138 – not requiring wearing helmet during parades.
S-84 – imposing fines for blowing coal

Treasurer Report Sheriff Bill Bohnyak 9:30

Balance of \$208

Glen announces need for donations.

Vote / Board Position / Budget Glen/Evelyn 9:35

Budget for the GHSP grant application for FFY2018. Needs board approval for application to next year's GHSP grant.

Breakdown of the line items. (see attached)
Motion to approve the budget – Barbara
Seconded – Bohnyak
Vote unanimously approved for budget for the FFY 2018 GHSP grant

Vote / Annual Meeting Theme Glen 9:40

Emily Boedecker has proposed Jason Van Dreische as her replacement.

Jason is now acting director of Local Motion. Local motion strong advocate for walking and biking safety.

John questioned whether Jason feels enforcement has a bias against bike activities. Jason assured the Board he understands and appreciates the collaborative effort, and thinks the Vermont State Law has some gaps when it comes to biking. But hopes the collaboration will help this.

Motion to approve Jason for the board – John Flannigan

Second – Frank Koss

Voted unanimously approved to bring Jason on to the Board.

Conference in Burlington Nov 8th Annual Meeting and Conference. Hilton Hotel.

Innovation and Technology is the theme. A committee will be formed to plan this,

Motion to vote theme – Dan

Second – Bill

Vote – approved the theme for Innovation and Technology.

I-89 Presentation	Sgt. Paul Ravelin VSP	9:45
Automated Enforcement	Mario Dupigny-Giroux, P.E.	10:30
Adjourn		11:00