

Meeting Notes

VHSA Board Meeting

April 4th, 2018 Wednesday 9:00 – 11:00 am



Present: Michael Allen, Constable Belisle, Nancy Andrus (phone), Chief Koss, Glen Button, Jake Elovirta, Allison Laflamme, Ann Gammell, Roger Thompson, Ture Nelson, Dan Batsie, Doug Masson, Mitchell Jay, Nancy Avery, Bruce Nyquist, Jason Van Driesche, Karen Yacos, Ken Millman, Mandy White, Mario Dupigny-Giroux. Lori Demingware

Notes: Evelyn McFarlane

Welcome:

9:00

Vote to accept meeting minutes for 2017 & February meeting notes.

- Motion to approve Col. Jake Elovirta, Second: Chief Frank Koss. February minutes approved as distributed.

Welcome to new board member

- Local Motion, Executive Director, Karen Yacos welcomed to the board. Congratulations and thank you to Jason Van Driesche for his contributions to the Alliance.

VHSA Coordinator Updates

- Task Force Group #802phonesdown!headsup! Distracted Driving CEA 7
 - Task force committee working on Distracted driving contest for High School Students. Phase one closes April 13th, phase two for social media outreach, closes April 30th. Awards ceremony scheduled for May 18th at the Statehouse.
- Task Force Group for Drowsy Driving CEA 7
 - Ken Millman heading this committee. At beginning stages, and strategies being formed. There are no resources for paid media thus committee looking to traditional strategies for education and outreach.
- VTrans Safety Day
 - VTrans to host a safety day April 6th. VHSA invited to participate. Scheduled: DD Simulator, VSP, Local Motion, Operation Life Saver, Hallstrom Motorsports, Motorcycle, and Walker Mazda/Volkswagen, RideSafe Motorcycle, and Associated General Contractors. Scott Smith organized to have Child Passenger Safety seat check station as a part of the fair.
- AT&T visiting Vermont on May 10th and 11th. Venue scheduled at Fair Haven High School.
- UVM Txt U L8R April event was a huge success with up to 80 attendees
- OP802 Update
 - Committee attended the Workplace Wellness Event. A flyer was designed and printed for OP outreach to employers.
- **Upcoming events** – both vendors and participants invited
 - Walk/Bike Summit, May 4th
 - VDTSEA Conference, May 24
 - AAA Impaired Driving Summit, June 6th

- VMHA Annual Equipment Show and Field Day Event in Barre, May 9th

Partner Updates – VHSA Members

- Glen Button - Impaired Driving. 13 students graduated with ARIDE training. Lt. John Flannigan and Commissioner Anderson represented Vermont at the NHTSA Webinar: *Call to Action*.
- The topic, training officers in ARIDE, will be on the agenda at the Police Chief's annual meeting/conference. There is a DRE class scheduled for end of August. DRE number down to 49 from 53. It is a continual challenge to keep the numbers up.
- Jake: University of Massachusetts held a Webinar on decriminalization of marijuana and the impact on commercial motor vehicles. Detection and level of impairment always a topic. Jake will send Evelyn a copy of the Webinar to share with group.
- DMV - APA process has begun. On the Website are proposed changes to inspections. 3 public hearings for public comments will take place throughout the state for public feedback.
- School bus safety: Chittenden county SHARP team participated in an enforcement detail for school bus safety (passing and speeding).
- Mandy White presented a traffic crash fact data booklet for feedback/additions/comments.

Treasurer Report – Col Jake Elovirta

- VHSA bank balance is \$1,276. 2017 Taxes will be complete and filed soon. They will be circulated to the board.

Legislative Updates - Glen & Jake

- Changes have been approved to language on AV inspection tablets.
- There is some Interest in DMV becoming the official agency for training and testing three-wheel motorcycles. It is a costly program and is under consideration.
- Total Abstinence Program: Modifications to this program being considered, along with regulatory changes.
- Seat belt primary law was sidelined in Senate. Outlook highly unlikely for 2018.
- Oral fluid testing not favored to pass.

Presentations:

Nancy Avery, P.E.

10:00

Work Zone Traffic Management Engineer

Nancy serves as the Agency's lead work zone traffic management expert, and Chairs the in-house Work Zone Safety and Mobility standing committee and the Work Zone Working Group.

ATSSA Work Zone Awareness & Wall Event Presentation

Bruce Nyquist, P.E.

Director, Office of Highway Safety

Operation Safety Corridor, Spring/Summer 2018

Adjourn

11:00

Tasks:

Quarterly Data for CEA's posted on the Website.

Jake will send Evelyn a copy of the mentioned Webinar to share with group.

Barb requested more material about Work zones. Please have something for the May 24th outreach. Request for possible speaker for work zone safety for the November 16th VDTSEA conference. event. Jacqui has materials. John Flannigan suggestion for possible presentation on operation SEE.

Local Motion - Barb requesting speakers for drivers Ed classes to speak on Bike and Ped safety.

Prepare a resource list for driver Ed teachers.

Jacqui/Nancy Andrus sent out info for work zone safety signs and quiz. Check for updating, then circulate and get to May 24th conference.