

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

Thursday, January 15, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Transportation Safety Division

4040 Fairview Industrial Drive SE

Salem, Oregon



Members Present: Chris Henry, Van Moore, Peggy Munsell, David Peterson, Bob Reichenberg, Peter Russell, Ted Tracy – via telephone, Debbie Weber

Staff: Rachelle Nelson, Michele O’Leary, Kristin Twenge

Guests: Bret Barnum (Portland Police Bureau), Steve Garets (TEAM OREGON), Mike Laverty (Oregon Transportation Safety Committee), Jason Lindland (Oregon State Police), Brian Mortensen (Oregon Army National Guard), Graham Munsell (GWRRA), Becky Renninger (Driver and Motor Vehicle Services), Lana Tribbey (Driver and Motor Vehicle Services)

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair David Peterson called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

II. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Chair David Peterson asked if there were any additions or changes to the October 16, 2014 and November 20, 2014 meeting minutes.

MOTION: Bob Reichenberg moved to approve the October 16, 2014 and November 20, 2014 minutes as submitted. Peter Russell seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

III. REPORTS

Chair Report

Chair Peterson circulated a copy of an article that was written by former Committee member Courtney Olive entitled “Isle of Man Classic TT: Tales of an American Underdog”.

Rider Education Report

Steve Garets distributed a written report and reviewed it with the Committee. The report covered an update on training; operations and facilities; instructor training, and communications and outreach. Discussion ensued.

Action Item: Mr. Garets will e-mail Ted Tracy a copy of his written report.

OSP Report

Jason Lindland reported that he has not been advised of any motorcyclist fatalities since the last meeting. He indicated that ridership has decreased in the Portland area.

Portland Police Bureau

Bret Barnum noted that they have not had any motorcyclist fatalities in the Portland area. He reported that the PPB has received a grant for the motor training program. Discussion ensued.

Oregon Army National Guard Report

Brian Mortensen reported that there is discussion of reimbursing soldiers for taking the Intermediate Rider Training.

DMV Report

Becky Renninger reported that as of January 1, 2015, the DMV has reduced the number of offices that offer skills testing for three-wheel motorcycles and mopeds. There are now four offices in the state (Eugene, Beaverton, Medford and North Salem) that offer that service. The number of skills tests that were waived by the DMV for people who presented a TEAM OREGON card in 2014 was 8,142. In 2013, that number was 8,194. Through November of 2014, the DMV administered around 240 skills tests (40 were fails) and waived an additional 80 (military waivers). She further shared that she worked with Pat Hahn to see if TEAM OREGON could indicate on their completion cards which tests are waived at the DMV. Discussion ensued.

TSD Report

Michele O'Leary distributed a written report and reviewed it with the Committee. The report covered the fatals sheet (expectations and guidelines); a map update; results of the August phone survey; strategic plan update; motorcycle safety program assessment update, and a planning workshop debrief. Discussion ensued.

Action Item: Ms. O'Leary will distribute a guide of the definition of mopeds, scooters and pocket bikes with the Committee.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Strategic Plan

This item was tabled.

V. NEW BUSINESS

2015 Legislative Session

Ms. O'Leary gave an update on the 2015 legislative session and shared five legislative bills for their review. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Peggy Munsell moved that the Committee track the three lane splitting bills (SB 172, SB 420 and HB 2512). Mr. Moore seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Van Moore moved that the Committee remove the legislative bills related to all-terrain vehicles (SB 192 and HB 2795) from their list of legislative bills of interest. Chris Henry seconded the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Action Item: Chair Peterson will submit his Chair report for 2014 as a final act of his office.

TEAM OREGON Financial Report

Ms. O'Leary introduced the purpose and expectations of the Committee for this agenda topic. Mr. Garets gave a detailed financial report of the TEAM OREGON program. Discussion ensued.

Action Item: TEAM OREGON will provide a side by side overview of expenditures comparing 2013 to 2014 once the 2014 numbers are available.

Transportation Safety Action Plan Update

Mr. Henry gave an update on the Transportation Safety Action Plan. He serves on the TSAP Technical Advisory Committee. Discussion ensued.

2015 Chair and Vice Chair

Chair Peterson addressed this agenda item directly after his chair report. He asked if there were nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Russell nominated Mr. Reichenberg for the position of Chair. Mr. Henry seconded the nomination.

Mr. Moore nominated Mr. Russell for the position of Vice-Chair. Mr. Reichenberg seconded the nomination.

MOTION: Mr. Moore moved to accept the nominations by acclamation. Mr. Henry seconded the motion. With no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Chair Peterson passed the gavel to Chair elect Reichenberg to run the remainder of the meeting.

VI. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 19, 2015, 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Transportation Safety Division (4040 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Salem, Oregon).

VII. ADJOURN

With no further business brought before the Committee, Chair Reichenberg officially adjourned the GAC on Motorcycle Safety meeting.