

SEMINOLE COUNTY COMMUNITY
TRAFFIC SAFETY TEAM
August 27, 2013 Meeting

Attendees:

Robin Butler, SCFD

Terri Touchton, SCFM

John Hamel, SPD

Byrdell Hancock, ASPD

Joshua Hoag, ASPD

Dave Andrews, SC Engineering

Sheryl Bradley, FDOT

Jim Martin, Sun Rail

Greg Larkin, UCF PD

John Moore, UCF PD

Joe Steward, FDOT

Rusty Montgomery, SCSO

Michael Blinn, SCTE

Jeff Napier, LMPD

Will Maxwell, WSPD

James Roark, SCPS

Greg Roero, Florida Safety Council

Anthony Washington, Metro Plan Orlando

JoJo Sturm, SCSO

Robin Butler called the meeting to order at 8:35 am and requested review of minutes from July 23 meeting. Minutes were reviewed, with motion to approve by Jeff Napier and second by John Hamel.

Old Business:

- Letter to Agencies regarding fatality reports not being sent to Mike – Mike found another way to receive.
- Child Passenger Safety Training is September 30th – October 4th. October 4th is the check up event at the Health Department. Certification class is 32 hours. Registration can be done at www.safekids.org.
- Red Bug & Chatham Pines request for signal – not recommended.
- Rinehart & Lake Mary Blvd. signal – There was a discussion regarding a “no right on red” sign. Mike Blinn to request Traffic Engineering to review.
- Sterling Park SW completion – should begin in December 2013 or January 2014. Dave advised gaps are not going to be filled due to ROW and other issues.
- Regional Traffic Safety Meeting – Joe advised he will be sending survey out today to all CTST’s to determine level of support. Robin indicated these meetings are a good source for learning. Joe mentioned locations would alternate and meetings would possibly be quarterly. Joe also advised this would be an opportunity for stronger agencies to assist the weaker agencies in their programs.

New Business

- No new business discussed.

Fatality Review

July 22nd – SR46 and Airport – no action needed

July 25th – SR426 and Aloma Woods Road – no action needed

June 28th – I-4 and 434 – already reviewed

August 5th – SR46 and Glade View Dr – no action needed

August 17th – I-4 and Central Parkway – no action needed

Regarding the 1-4 and Central Parkway fatality, Robin indicated there seems to be a number of good Samaritans being hit while trying to assist during a crash and the Fire Chief has requested the possibility of a catchy safety slogan for the signs or a PSA to attempt to alleviate this type of fatality. Sheryl advised she would forward to Tallahassee.

Mike indicated there have been 3 night fatalities on I-4 in the 2-3 am time frame. Rusty Montgomery advised the SO is attempting to get a night DUI unit together and they will have move over operations in the near future, and will look into a PSA.

Roadway Safety Assessment Team:

Due to Shad and Colleen not being present, this item was held until next meeting.

Problems & Solutions:

None noted.

Announcements:

Jim Martin advised of the following:

- The first cab car is in and 1st responder training will soon be scheduled. Jim also advised of an incident in the area of the Boy-Girls Club to which FHP responded and noted they have been in that community several times. Discussion ensued regarding a Heritage Parade in the community that will cross the tracks twice and the need for them to be advised of such permits. Rusty indicated the SO was working this event and Robin suggested contacting the various agencies to see if SunRail could be added to the permit request. Contact's are as follows: Sanford PD – Greg Smith; Seminole County – Renee Bumgardner with Traffic Engineering; Altamonte Springs PD – Byrdell Hancock; Lake Mary PD – Unknown; Longwood – Troy Hickson.
- They are also doing the extended homeless outreach in this area.
- Training was held for Seminole County bus drivers at the beginning of the month and Jim Roark indicated it went very well.
- Training for Lynx bus drivers should be in September.
- There will be a locomotive and 2-3 passenger cars. At this time, there are only cameras for security.
- Robin suggested training for hazardous material vehicles and Jim indicated he would talk to CSX.
- Dispatch # for stop bar arms issues – (877) 235-7245.
- Operation Lifesaver is now part of Seminole County School Districts Driver's Ed program.

Robin questioned if there were any Labor Day Operations scheduled and it appeared not.

Robin discussed having the upcoming CTST meetings at the Public Safety Building, located at 150 Bush Blvd., in Room 104-105. She advised that Terri recently accepted another position to be Administrative Assistant to the Fire Chief, Leeanna Mims and this is technically her last meeting. The SAC was also scheduled for the same room after the CTST meeting should Mike wish to have it changed. Mike

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advised he would discuss it at the meeting today. Mike also noted that he needed volunteers for the SAC if anyone is interested. Sheryl explained the dynamics of the SAC and noted it is nice when someone from the municipality is present at the meeting in the event something in their area is being discussed.

Walk to School – JoJo advised they have a week full of activities.

Bicycle Training Opportunity on October 14th, Seminole County Public Safety Bldg. located at 150 Bush Blvd in Sanford, Room 104-105. All day class (8:30 – 4:30) will include bike helmet fitting training, community elementary bicycle education training, bike rodeo training. Class is free and is limited to 20. To register, email: LyndyMooreLCI@gmail.com. This is a bike helmet fitter certification class.

Jim Roark noted that the Association of School Bus Drivers expressed concern regarding hostile takeovers and would like to see if several officers would meet with them to advise them what to do in such a circumstance. Will indicated he may have someone available to do this.

John Hamel discussed the intersection of 25th/Ridgewood/Club (Seminole High School) beginning at 6:30 a.m. Would like to have a “no right on red” sign and Club only has 12 seconds of green. Mike indicated turn lanes are slated for 2015 from Ridgewood to past Hartwell. Robin e-mailed Robert with Traffic, Shad, Colleen Jarrell, Jim Roark to schedule a review meeting with John Hamel at the location for September 4th at 6:30 a.m. to discuss stop bar/timing, etc. Dave noted that possibly the pending reviews from last month could be done afterwards.

Jeff Napier discussed the traffic back up by Lake Mary Elementary in the afternoon. Robin suggested he get with Will to discuss the park and walk plan implemented at Trotwood to see if it would be feasible for this issue.

John Moore advised Thursday night is the first football game at UCF at 7:00. School will close at 3:00. Tailgating begins at 4:00 with traffic being diverted at 5:00. Believes 2nd game is November 21st and last game is black Friday and will be versus University of South Florida.

JoJo noted there is a shortage of guards in the South region (Wekiva-Sable Point area). Times are 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. High school diploma or GED needed and salary is \$9.26 per hour. Jim Roark also noted they are approximately 40 short on bus drivers.

There was a brief discussion regarding the vest program. JoJo mentioned more kids are wearing helmets. JoJo thanked everyone’s participation in the safety zone and advised it went very smooth.

Robin thanked Terri for her service to the CTST, taking the minutes and keeping all straight.

There being no further discussion, meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting is Tuesday, September 24, 2013, 8:30 – 10:00 a.m. at Seminole County Public Safety Building, 150 Bush Blvd.