

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

FRIDAY, December 17, 2010 Meeting Minutes

ODVA Building

700 Summer St. NE

Salem, Oregon

**Approved
1/21/2011**

Members Present: Sally Boyd, Van Moore, David Peterson, Iris Yeager, James V. Stewart, David Belton, James Wyffels

Staff: Troy Costales, Jessica Clark, Michele O'Leary

Guests: Steve Walker (Oregonmotorcyclist.com), Lawrence Husted (GWRRA Oregon Chapter), Jim Wall (GWRRA), Patrick Leyshock (Sang-Froid Riding Club), June Clark, Dwight Hageman, Robert Estesheew (Team Oregon), Scott Lorimor (Oregon State Police), Mel Yeager (Bike PAC of Oregon), Bill "Fish" Stanley (US Defenders), Quiet (GJMC), Panhead Ric (Road Brother MC), Phillip Martin (Road Brother MC), Billy Pankey (Road Brother MC), Klingon (NVMC), Christopher Wade (NVMC), Walter W. Shrerch (NVMC), Tom Gorman (NVMC), David Hickerson (Road Brother MC), Chad L. Hutson (NVMC), Les Eddy (NVMC)

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

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

I. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Chair Peterson asked if there were any additions or changes to the November 2010 meeting minutes.

MOTION: Van Moore moved to approve the minutes as written, Sally Boyd seconded the motion. Discussion ensued.

David Peterson suggested that the written Public Testimony be attached to the minutes as an appendix.

MOTION: David Belton moved to amend the previous meeting minutes to include the addition of the written public testimony. Van Moore seconded the motion. Without further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

II. REPORTS

Rider Education Report

Bob Reichenberg shared a written report concerning mandatory trainings. He reported that public awareness and outreach has nearly doubled this year and despite an economic downturn they have trained exactly one less student than last year. Discussion ensued.

OSP Report

Scott Lorimor shared that he will be retiring in six months and his position as liaison for the committee will be available.

TSD Report

Michele O'Leary reported on year to date motorcycle fatalities. Ms. O'Leary asked individuals to report to her when a committee member or liaison will be unable to attend a meeting. She shared information concerning the results of a recent statewide phone survey in which 89% of respondents approve of Oregon's motorcycle laws. Ms. O'Leary also shared a data report concerning rear end crashes involving motorcyclists stopped in traffic.

Motorcycle Organizations Report

Mel Yeager of Bike PAC shared that they are getting ready for the legislative session. They will be meeting at the Salem Public Library at 12:00 p.m. on the 22 of January.

Former AMA Congressman Dwight Hageman shared that both congress positions are open right now and that he is no longer filling one of those positions. Elections are done through the month of December and they are done online.

Quiet encouraged others in attendance to take interest in filling the vacant AMA positions. He raised concerns about several national items including NHTSA's involvement with state motorcycle issues and the 15% ethanol rule.

Patrick Leyshaw thanked the committee and Transportation Safety Division for posting the meeting minutes and other information online. Mr. Leyshaw called attention to the number of people in attendance at the last meeting, an estimated 250 people. He further mentioned the ratio of individuals in attendance that favored lane sharing/splitting legislation.

Steve Walker of OregonMotorcyclist.com survey stated that he had conducted a survey on his website and that as of the present morning the numbers were 65% for lane sharing/splitting/filtering and 35% against it. He shared that personal comments he had received from motorcyclists were not in favor of implementing lane sharing in Oregon.

III. OLD BUSINESS

Lane sharing/splitting/filtering survey

Chair Peterson addressed the tie vote which occurred at the last committee meeting.

MOTION: Van Moore made a motion to vote on whether the committee should spend the \$12,000 of funding on a survey

David Belton led a discussion about the process by which an idea becomes a law. Discussion ensued.

Van Moore withdrew his motion.

MOTION: Van Moore motioned to use the \$12,000 of funding for the motorcycle safety campaign, *Share the Road*. Sally Boyd seconded the motion. Discussion ensued.

Motion was tabled.

MOTION: Sally Boyd made a motion to vote on whether the committee should conduct a survey concerning lane sharing. Jim Wyffles seconded the motion. Without further discussion the motion failed 6 - 1.

Voting No: Jim Wyffels, Iris Yeager, Jim Stewart, Sally Boyd, Van Moore, David Belton

Voting Yes: David Peterson

MOTION: Van moved to spend the \$12,000 of funding on the motorcycle safety campaign, *Share the Road*. Sally Boyd seconded the motion.

Discussion ensued.

All committee members voted in favor of the motion, motion passed unanimously.

Member list of rallies and events

All committee members were asked to email Michele O'Leary with a list of four motorcycle events or rallies within the state that they would be interested in attending.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Legislative update

Troy Costales shared the the legislative concept dealing with three wheel vehicles has gone through to the next phase and likely heading to the senate. Mr. Costales distributed a legislative calendar.

Election of officers and committee member appointments

Ms. O'Leary informed committee members that the following members will need to turn in their papers if they would like to serve another term for the Governors Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety: David Belton, Jim Stewart and Jim Wyffels. Their current terms expire in June (David Belton and Jim Stewart) and September (Jim Wyffels).

MOTION: Jim Stewart made a motion to carry forth with the current committee leadership for another term. Sally Boyd seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Van Moore moved for a vote by acclamation. Jim Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

V. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 21, 2011, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Transportation Safety Division in Salem.

VI. ADJOURN

With no further business brought before the Committee, Chair Peterson adjourned the Governors Advisory Committee on Motorcycle Safety meeting.