

**GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MOTORCYCLE SAFETY**

**FRIDAY, April 15, 2011 Meeting Minutes**

**Transportation Safety Division**

**235 Union Street NE**

**Salem, Oregon**



**Members Present:** Sally Boyd, Van Moore, Courtney Olive, David Peterson, Jim Stewart, Jim Wyffels, Iris Yeager

**Staff:** Troy Costales, Rachelle Nelson, Michele O'Leary

**Guests:** Bret Barnum (Portland Police Bureau), June Clark (GWRRA), Pat Hahn (TEAM OREGON), Mike Lavery (OTSC), Dave Mazour (Oregon State Police), Quiet (GJMC), Mel Yeager (BikePAC of Oregon)

**I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

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

**II. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Chair Peterson asked if there were any additions or changes to the March 11, 2011 meeting minutes. No amendments to the minutes were suggested.

**MOTION: Courtney Olive moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Sally Boyd seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**III. REPORTS**

Chair Report

Chair Peterson asked Mr. Olive to share something he read in Motorcycle Consumer News. The article he shared was an editorial about motorcyclists and traffic congestion. Discussion ensued.

Rider Education Report

Pat Hahn distributed a written report and reviewed it with the Committee. The report covered an update on instructor training; motorcyclist training class statistics; training sites; legislation, and how TEAM OREGON is involved on the National front. Discussion ensued.

OSP Report

Dave Mazour reported on a motorcyclist crash that occurred South of Albany a few weeks before this meeting. Discussion ensued.

Portland Police Bureau Report

Bret Barnum reported that there was a motorcyclist caught riding impaired and speeding (163 mph). He also shared that he has observed an increase in motorcycle riding in the Portland metropolitan area. Discussion ensued.

TSD Report

Michele O'Leary distributed a written report and reviewed it with the Committee. The report covered year to date motorcyclist fatalities; the motorcycle program media plan; purchase of motorcycles for TEAM OREGON; legislation, and a request from Idaho which will require an Executive Session, closed to the public, to discuss the details. Discussion ensued.

### Motorcycle Organizations Report

Mel Yeager reported that he saw a bus wrap in Albany soliciting unendorsed motorcyclists to get their endorsements. He updated the Committee on legislative issues of concern to ABATE of Oregon. He further asked if a member of the Committee would be available to read the proclamation at the May Awareness Rally on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at the Capitol Building. Ms. Boyd volunteered. Discussion ensued.

Jim Stewart shared some dates of interest with the Committee. Memorial Day is the dedicated day for the World Superbike races. He recommends the event. He also shared that a brand new track in Austin, Texas will host Formula One races, starting in 2012. Beginning in 2013, they will also host MotoGP. He further reported that there is a really good facility for motor sports, Oregon Raceway, in Grass Valley, Oregon. Discussion ensued.

## **IV. OLD BUSINESS**

### Legislative Update

Troy Costales gave an update on legislative items of interest to the Committee. He reported that both the helmet bill and headlight bill are now dead. The ODOT budget is being heard and Mr. Costales will be testifying on the Transportation Safety Division piece of it. Mike Laverty will be testifying as well. No new bills were presented for review.

### NAMOA Meeting Details

Sgt. Barnum reviewed the logistics of the NAMOA meeting with the Committee. The meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on May 13, 2011, with a closed to the public Executive Session at 5:45 p.m. Mr. Olive suggested that the meeting be held jointly with the Portland Motorcycle and Scooter Citizen Advisory Committee. The Committee decided that they would be welcome to attend and give a report during the open "motorcycle organizations report" time on the agenda. Discussion ensued.

## **V. NEW BUSINESS**

### Silver Falls Feedback

Ms. O'Leary informed the Committee that they will be receiving a Silver Falls Transition Report. She asked that they take the time to review it and send her any feedback they may have. Van Moore and Iris Yeager gave their impressions as attendees at the event. Discussion ensued.

### Letters to the Editor

Ms. O'Leary gave a sample letter to the editor to the Committee so that they can submit it to their local newspapers. Discussion ensued.

## **VI. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 13, 2011, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Embassy Suites in Portland, Oregon.

## **VII. ADJOURN**

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