

GOVERNOR'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON MOTORCYCLE SAFETY

FRIDAY, May 13, 2011 Meeting Minutes

Transportation Safety Division

235 Union Street NE

Salem, Oregon



Members Present: David Belton, Sally Boyd, Van Moore, Courtney Olive, David Peterson, Jim Stewart

Staff: Troy Costales, Rachele Nelson, Michele O'Leary

Guests: Bret Barnum (Portland Police Bureau), John M. Betts-Wheels (ABATE of Oregon), Patricia Gardner (Portland Motorcycle and Scooter Citizen Advisory Committee), Dan Kerr (Portland Motorcycle and Scooter Citizen Advisory Committee), Christopher Locatell (Doc Wong NW), Mana Locatell (Doc Wong NW), Becky Ohlsen (Portland Motorcycle and Scooter Citizen Advisory Committee), Chris Page (OMRRA), Rick Wallace (Crash Scene Safety Instruction LLC)

Chair David Peterson gavelled in an Executive Session at approximately 5:50 p.m. to consider "information or public records that are exempt by law from public inspection" pursuant to ORS 192.660 (2) (f).

In Executive Session, the Committee reviewed an out of state request for approval of a motorcycle safety instruction curriculum.

The closed door Executive Session was recorded and the official recording will be kept on file for one year.

Chair Peterson closed the Executive Session at approximately 6:20 p.m.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair 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 April 15, 2011 meeting minutes. No amendments to the minutes were suggested.

MOTION: Van Moore moved that the minutes be approved as submitted. Sally Boyd seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. REPORTS

Chair Report

Chair Peterson gave an overview of the Committee.

Portland Police Bureau Report

Bret Barnum welcomed everyone to Portland and shared the remaining schedule of the North American Motor Officers Association conference for those who wish to attend the events. He also shared some motorcyclist high speed citations that Dave Mazour of the Oregon State Police sent to him. Discussion ensued.

TSD Report

Michele O'Leary distributed a written report and reviewed it with the Committee. Items she covered were year to date motorcyclist fatalities; motorcycle safety public outreach campaigns; the reading of the Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month proclamation by Ms. Boyd; posting part II of the lane sharing testimony to the web; new member recruitment, and TEAM OREGON information. Discussion ensued.

Troy Costales shared the Silver Falls Transition Report with guests. Members received their copies in the mail. He further presented the current draft of the Transportation Safety Action Plan. He asked the Committee to review the actions; verify that they are achievable; prioritize the actions, especially those related to motorcycle safety; recommend any edits or deletions, and determine if there are any missing actions. A copy will be sent to members not present at this meeting along with instructions. This item will be revisited in further detail at the June meeting. Discussion ensued.

Motorcycle Organizations Report

Patricia Gardner, Chair of the Portland Motorcycle and Scooter Citizen Advisory Committee, gave an overview of the types of issues that they deal with in their committee. One of the issues they would like to see this Committee address is the potentially hazardous tolling of motorcyclists once the toll bridge over I-5 is complete. A copy of a letter detailing their position will be sent to the members of the Committee that have not yet received it. Discussion ensued.

Rick Wallace shared that he has recently started up a business (Crash Scene Safety Instruction LLC). He will be doing a motorcycle safety education tour from Spokane to Portland. Discussion ensued.

Christopher Locatell shared that Doc Wong NW is growing. He gave an overview of what Doc Wong NW offers and shared that he has met with Pat Hahn to see if they can interface with TEAM OREGON. Discussion ensued.

Chris Page, board member of the Oregon Motorcycle Road Racing Association, distributed the 2011 race schedule at Portland International Raceway.

IV. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Troy Costales reported that the Committee bill, SB 133, has passed the Senate and has had a hearing on the House side. He also reported that the ODOT budget has been presented. A work session for the ODOT budget is expected on May 25, 2011. It appears that there will no impacts to the motorcycle safety program. Discussion ensued.

V. PUBLIC OUTREACH

Chair Peterson gave a PowerPoint presentation on the committee, including an overview; tough traffic topics that are addressed, and 2010 in review.

Not on the Agenda – Idaho Request

MOTION: Ms. Boyd moved that the Committee recommend that the Oregon Transportation Safety Committee deny the Idaho request for curriculum approval because the current program meets the demand in that area of the state. Jim

Stewart seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (Jim Wyffels and Iris Yeager were absent.)

VI. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 10, 2011, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Transportation Safety Division in Salem, Oregon.

VII. ADJOURN

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