



SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL SAFETY COALITION

Wednesday, February 6th, 2019 @ 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM
South Central Planning & Development Commission

Minutes of the Meeting

In Attendance:

Chairman Frank Besson, LSP-C, present
 Vice-Chairman Bryan Zeringue, City of Thibodaux, absent
 Doug Foreman, LPSO (Impaired Driving Team Leader), absent
 Jesse LaGrange, LSP-C, (Young Driver Team Leader), absent
 Danielle Duplantis, TGMC (Young Driver Team Leader), present
 Ryan Dantin, LPSO (Occupant Protection Team Co-Leader), absent
 Lisa Giroir, LPSTF (Occupant Protection Team Co-Leader), present
 Nicole Soudelier, DHH-OPH (Occupant Protection Team Co-Leader), present
 Dustin Poche, SJSO (Distracted Driving Team Co-Leader), present
 Cassie Parker, SCPDC, present

Jessica DeVille, LADOTD	Josephine Rodrigue, MADD	Jennifer Tregre, BCBHS
Laura Riggs, LADOTD	Elizabeth Gbondo, R3 OPH	April Young, BLFHF/CSHS
Jessica Bedwell, LHSC	Marilyn Harris, SCLHSA	Judy Smart, Gazebo NHW
Terry Chustz, LHSC	Alicia Toups, SCLHSA	Yvette Legendre, LERN
Chanita Vazquez, LHSC	Christie Howard, TPCG/DH	Jody Ordeneaux, Gramercy PD
Brandy Picou, LOTS	Donna Ward, TGMC	Emma Bergeron, SCPDC
Travis Colombel, LSP-C	Keith Faul, TPSO	Stephanie Bruning, SCPDC
Joshua Vanetta, LSP-C	Michael Toups, UMCNO	Adam Lefort, SCPDC
		Josh Manning, SCPDC

Call to Order

Chairman Besson called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00am. Introductions took place.

Opening Prayer /Pledge of Allegiance

D. Poche led the Pledge of Allegiance. A. Toups said the Opening Prayer.

1. Approval of the November 1st, 2018 SCRSC Meeting Minutes

It was motioned by M. Toups, seconded by D. Poche to approve the November 1st, 2018 SCRSC Meeting Minutes. There being no objections motion carried.

2. LADOTD Safety Update

C. Parker introduced J. DeVille and L. Riggs of DOTD to the Coalition. L. Riggs stated 771 fatalities occurred on Louisiana Highways during 2017, which is an increase from the previous year. They are currently working on the Statewide Departure Roadway Plan. Due to a lack of resources, there will not be a call for projects this spring for the "Safe Routes to



Public Places” Grant. They also have been coordinating with State Police and the OMV on updating the Drivers Education curriculum which should be completed by the end of the year. The Safety Summit will be held November 19-20, 2019 in Baton Rouge. Statewide Safety meeting will be held in June.

Chairman Besson informed the Coalition a meeting was held with Terrebonne Parish officials, LADOTD officials, and the company conducting the feasibility study of MLK Blvd. A great deal of good information was shared and ideas were shared. A public meeting is expected to be held during the summer. The Feasibility Study should be completed by the end of the year and will be shared with the Coalition.

3. Brief Explanation of Strategies, Data & Deliverables

C. Parker explained that she and EA Team Leaders reviewed the older Safety Plan and streamlined its structure. Every EA (Emphasis Area) will now have five (5) strategies: Coordination, Education, Enforcement, Operation, and Outreach. Each Action Step included within the plan must fall under one of the five (5) strategies. A plan overview and score card will be included for each EA. Asterisks next to the Action Step indicate whether that Action Step is Regional or Statewide. Volunteers are still needed for some Action Steps. C. Parker reviewed the responsibilities of the EA and Action Steps leaders. The updated plan was included within the meeting packet for all to review.

4. Impaired Driving ((D) 2019 Work Plan

a. Approve Plan & Appoint Action Step Leaders

Sgt. T. Colombel reviewed the revised Impaired Driving EA Action Plan. Included within the meeting packet was a spreadsheet depicting the usage log for the SCR DWI unit. Discussion ensued.

5. Distracted Driving (DD) 2019 Work Plan

a. Appoint Co-Leader

C. Parker stated D. Poche was the Distracted Driving Team Leader; however, a Co-Leader is needed for the Distracted Driving EA Action Plan.

b. Approve Plan & Appoint Action Step Leaders

D. Poche reviewed with the Coalition the revised Distracted Driving EA Action Plan. Under Action Step 5.3, R. Whittaker spoke on the Project Yellow Light Scholarship Competition. Submissions are now open for Project Yellow Light and are due March 1st for the billboard design competition and April 1st for the radio and video competitions. Winning submissions may be distributed as PSAs on television, billboards, and radio stations across the country. Information regarding the contest was included within the meeting packet.

6. Occupant Protection (OP) 2019 Work Plan

a. Approve Plan & Appoint Action Step Leaders

C. Parker announced Occupant Protection Team Leaders are: R. Dantin, L. Giroir, N. Soudelier, and J. Vanetta. J. Vanetta reviewed the Occupant Protection EA Action Plan.

7. Young Drivers (YD) 2019 Work Plan

a. Approve Plan & Appoint Action Step Leaders

D. Duplantis reviewed the updated Young Drivers EA Action Plan.

8. Partner Reports

- **LHSC:** Call for Proposals is expected to occur in March.
- **UMCNO:** Application for CPS classes to be held March – June are now open.
- **MADD:** The Louisiana MADD Walk will be held in April in Baton Rouge.
- **DHH-OPH:** The next Maternal Child Health Meeting will be held March 13th.

- **SCHSA:** Applications for 2019 Teen Spirit is available. It will be held June 28th.
- **LOSGH:** Safety Circus will be held on May 4th at the CutOff Youth Center.
- **Prevention Partnership:** Their next meeting will be held on February 15th.
- **Gazebo NHW:** Seeking comments or suggestion on how to improve the National Night Out event.

9. Stay Informed

a. 2019 LA Safety Calendar & SCRSC Meetings

The 2019 LA Safety Calendar was provided to all present.

b. South Central Bike Ped Safety Plan

S. Bruning briefed the Coalition the Bike Ped Safety Plan she is currently working on. The public engagement campaign and meetings with stakeholders have begun. MetroQuest, a digital engagement software, has been purchased to help garner the public's participation. She hopes to reach all age groups within the Region.

c. Brownfields Program

L. Long gave an overview of the Brownfields Program offered through SCPDC. SCPDC has applied for \$300,000 in grant funds. Input on locating potential Brownfields sights/potential projects are needed. Brochures were available for interested Coalition members.

Adjournment/Lunch

There being no other business to discuss. ***It was motioned by M. Toups, seconded by J. Ordeneaux to adjourn. There being no objection, motion passed.***

Next Full Coalition Meeting: April 17th, 2019

Next Infrastructure & Operations Subcommittee Meeting: March 14th, 2019