

# Onondaga County Traffic Safety Advisory Board

## January 17, 2007

### Meeting Minutes

#### **Members Attending:**

Curt Dailey\*  
Paul Gottfried  
John Leo  
Laura Madelone  
Linda McKinnon  
William Mulroy  
Jeff Raub  
Doug Robertson  
Steve Rotunno  
Shannon Trice  
Jeff Tripp  
Leo Williams  
Patricia Wortley

#### **Organization:**

Onondaga County Sheriff's Office  
Southern Wine & Spirit of Upstate New York  
Onondaga County Department of Transportation  
Syracuse University  
OCTSAB  
NYS Thruway Authority  
New York State Police  
East Syracuse Police Department  
Camillus Police Department  
Syracuse Police Department  
North Syracuse Police Department  
Centro  
SMTC

*\*Designee*

#### **Stakeholders Attending:**

Diana Graser  
Scott Hare  
Chuck Murphy  
Darryl Perrigo  
Irene Scruton

#### **Organization**

NYS Department of Transportation  
DeWitt Police Department  
NYS Senator DeFrancisco's Office  
Solvay Police Department  
Safety Council of CNY

**Excused:** Steve Brustein, NYS DMV; Diana Dibble, AAA; Bill McAnelly, NYS Motor Truck; Glenn Murdock, Brubacher Excavating; Lloyd Perkins, Skaneateles Police Department; Barry Weiss, Onondaga County District Attorney's Office

#### **1. Welcome**

Ms. Madelone, Chair, opened the meeting at 9:32 a.m. at Town of DeWitt Court Room, 5400 Butternut Drive, East Syracuse, NY. Ms. Madelone thanked the DeWitt Police for hosting the meeting.

#### **2. Acceptance of Minutes**

Ms. Madelone inquired if there were any comments or corrections to the November 8, 2006 minutes. Hearing no comments, Capt. Trice moved and Chief Robertson seconded approval of the November 8, 2006 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **3. Election of Officers**

Ms. McKinnon stated that there were two vacancies on the Board with Mr. Barrett not seeking re-appointment and Chief Perkins resigning. She is still awaiting input from the County Executive's Office regarding replacements.

Mr. Leo presented the slate of officers: Chair – Ms. McKinnon; Vice Chair – Ms. Wortley; and Secretary – Capt. Trice. Prior to a vote, Capt. Rotunno nominated Ms. Madelone from the floor for Chairperson. A paper ballot election was held for the position of Chairperson with Ms. Madelone receiving 8 votes and Ms. McKinnon receiving 5. The Vice Chair and Secretary votes were held by a show of hands. Both candidates were elected.

#### **4. Communications and Reports**

##### **A. Committee Updates:**

**Aggressive Driving:** Capt. Rotunno stated that on January 11, 2007 the committee met. Operation Eagle Eyes will be held on June 15<sup>th</sup>, with a rain date of June 16<sup>th</sup>. A second unannounced effort will also occur. Extra road patrols will be on for the Syracuse Nationals for July 20-22. The committee plans on having an aggressive driving table at the Traffic Safety Expo. Capt. Rotunno noted the communications effort among agencies. He stated that joint enforcement efforts go along way with the GTSC. He requested that departments let the Syracuse Police, the State Police and the Sheriff's know when they are running a campaign so that they can participate as well.

Capt. Raub commended Capt. Rotunno on his efforts with Aggressive Driving, stating that Capt. Rotunno had transformed the sub-committee to bring it together. Capt. Rotunno stated that it was a group effort.

**Awards:** Ms. McKinnon stated that the breakfast was a success. She asked if anyone had any constructive criticism that they let her know.

**Project Planning:** Ms. Wortley stated that Lights On was held on December 9<sup>th</sup>, traveling from Centro to West Genesee High School. The Media Unit's WASTED skit was performed during lunch. She stated that we had our best participation ever.

##### **Old Business**

##### **A. Web Site Update**

Ms. Wortley stated that the web site was updated in December (<http://www.ongov.net/TSAB/home.html>). Following that update, she requested that any corrections be sent in. Those corrections/additions were forwarded on to Ms. Kogut at the Health Department at the beginning of January, but as on January 16<sup>th</sup> the updates had not been made.

Capt. Trice inquired as to who would be responsible for the web site after the new person begins work. Capt. Trice requested that the Traffic Safety Coordinator be responsible for updates to the web site.

#### **5. New Business**

##### **A. Traffic Safety Coordinator Position**

Mr. Leo stated that John Pantene was hired by the County off the Administrative Analyst II civil service list. Mr. Pantene will be beginning on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Leo stated that he will be seeking the input of the Board as to what the Traffic Safety Coordinator can do. Mr. Pantene will receive the necessary training for the position.

Capt. Trice inquired if we were on schedule for the grant. Mr. Leo stated that the grant began on October 1, 2006. Mr. Leo stated that Mr. Pantene is aware that if there is no grant money, there is no position. Mr. Pantene is also aware of the goals of the grant.

**B. Roundtable Discussions:**

Ms. Wortley distributed designee sheets to the members. She stated that the By-Laws call for the members to select two designees annually.

Ms. Madelone stated that she received a survey from Parks and Trails New York relative to their project to improve the safety of trail and road intersections. Copies were distributed to all law enforcement departments present for their completion.

Ms. Madelone stated that she had received a request for award nominees from the District Attorney's Advisory Council for their upcoming awards ceremony.

Ms. McKinnon stated that she would like to see the Business and Industry Committee revived. She stated that there is a need for business people on the Board. Ms. Madelone stated that we need someone to chair the committee. Mr. Mulroy suggested the Mr. Pantene chair the committee. Ms. Madelone state the Mr. Pantene would be the Executive Secretary to the OCTSAB and could act as the chair of this committee.

Ms. Wortley noted that we need to set up future meeting locations for the year. Camillus will be hosting the March meeting on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Centro will host the May meeting; North Syracuse will host the September meeting; and Clay will host the November meeting. The dates of the upcoming meetings will be decided and the members will be notified.

**6. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chief Robertson moved and Capt. Trice seconded adjournment of the meeting at 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.