



South Louisiana Chapter
New Orleans

**Safe Community Coalition Meeting Minutes
(LHSC Grant / NHTSA Model)
Tuesday, March 23, 2010**

The meeting was held in the first floor meeting room of the Regional Transportation Management Center, #10 Veterans Blvd, New Orleans, LA. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Beth Inbau at 10:00 a.m. Self introductions were held and the following were present:

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Ms. Inbau led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. She presented a draft of the Minutes from last month's meeting in which, after review, Luke Stack made a motion to accept, second by Jeff Haydel. She advised the group about the upcoming Mock Crash and Trial to be held at Bonnabel High School on Tuesday, April 20, 2010; Announced the Kid's Safety Day scheduled for Saturday, March 27, 2010 to be held at Grace King High School; Ron Harris, LSUSPH, has been awarded a sub-grant, approved by the coalition, to update and print out copies of "Parents' Guide to Juvenile Laws" brochures after the upcoming Louisiana Legislative Session is complete. She covered Louisiana's Traffic Initiatives: Impaired Driving, Seat Belt Usage, Teen Driving, and the Highway Infrastructure; she polled the Coalition on a possible merger with the Traffic Safety Committee in which the Who Dat Coalition approved unanimously. Ms. Inbau suggested that we give a token of appreciation to the students who participate in the Mock Crash and Trial, which was approved by the Coalition.

Ms. Mandal gave an update on the upcoming Mock Crash and Trial: Judge Giocobbe will preside over the trial; contacted Mike Helmers with the Kenner Fire Department; presented pictures of past events and also had an agenda to hand out. She said the students will meet in the gym for 8:00 am, will move to the crash site around 8:15 am, then return to the gym for the trial.

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Ms. Sibille said the state has some gift bags, along with contents, to present to the students as a token of appreciation at no charge to the grant. This was unanimously approved by the Coalition.

Ms. Killian said that Motorcycle Awareness Campaign will provide a crashed motorcycle to be included in the upcoming Mock Crash. She also advised the group that MAC will be glad to hand out bumper stickers to the students that say "Please Watch for Motorcycles." The Coalition approved the use of a crashed motorcycle and the bumper stickers.

Mr. Maher advised the group of the upcoming Bicycle Rodeo, held in conjunction with the Metropolitan Bicycle Coalition, now in the planning stages. The tentative date is Saturday, May 22, 2010 and the location is Audubon Park.

Ms. Branley advised the group that the Jefferson Parish School Board would be glad to post the "Parents Guide to Juvenile Laws" on the schools' web sites.

Ms. Ainsworth suggested that we use multiple speakers for the Traffic Safety Summit to be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2010. She believes a diverse group, including law makers, law enforcement officials and risk management personnel from large companies who can speak on various subjects would make the best presentation for our target audience. She suggested the Coalition refer to NHTSA's web site to gather information on how to conduct a bicycle rodeo.

Ms. Broussard expressed the District Attorney's Office concern with drivers who are DWI and the fatalities that result from crashes involving impaired drivers. She proposed Jefferson Parish have a "No Refusal Weekend" on Memorial Day Weekend, where a vehicle stopped by law enforcement will be subject to blood being drawn at J.P. Correctional Center if the driver refuses to take the breathalyzer test. A judge that is on stand-by will issue a warrant where an on-site EMT or RN will draw the blood. Ms. Broussard said that she will need the stand-by EMT or RN will be needed from Friday, 28, 2010 until Tuesday, June 1, 2010. She estimated the cost to be between \$3,000 and \$5,000. The Coalition unanimously approved funding for this mini-grant. Mr. Strack said he will check into possible volunteers for Memorial Day Weekend.

Ms. Aimsworth agreed to present an update on the legislative activities at the 6/16/10 Traffic Safety Summit.

Action Items:

Beth Branley – contact Director of Transportation for JP School Board as possible speaker for Summit.

Luke – check for volunteers for Memorial Day Weekend.

Claude - contact Pat Edwards, Operation Lifesaver, for possible commodities for students.

All – contact Risk Management Personnel for guest speakers for Summit.

The meeting adjourned at about 11:35 am. The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, April 21, 2010 at 11:30 am at LSP Troop B located on Williams Blvd @ I-10 in Kenner.**

Respectfully submitted by Claude D. Maher, National Safety Council, Recorder