

Cooper Jones Active Transportation Safety Council (ATSC)

February 17, 2021

10 AM -12:30 PM Virtual Meeting

Attending Members: Wade Alonzo, WTSC; Walt Bowen, Senior Citizen's Lobby; Barb Chamberlain, WSDOT; Dongho Chang, Seattle City Traffic Engineer; Charlotte Claybrooke, Safe Routes to Schools; Chris Comeau, Bellingham City Planner; Will Hitchcock, DOH; David Jones; Katherine Miller, Spokane Capital Programs; Jon Pascal, Kirkland City Council; Julia Reitan, Feet First; Eveline Roy, Region 12 Target Zero Manager; Pam Pannkuk, Washington Traffic Safety Commission; Harold Taniguchi, Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs; Scott Waller, WTSC; Kerri Wilson, Intercity Transit; Kirsten York, Community Action Council of Lewis, Mason, and Thurston Counties; Anna Zivarts, Rooted in Rights; Advisor: Ryan Peters, NHTSA.

Facilitator: Patricia Hughes, Trillium Leadership Consulting

Decisions and Actions:

1. Update the ATSC Roster and the "Invited Participants" section on the Agenda
2. Put the onboarding program into place, with Harold as First Buddy for March-April 2021
3. Summarize input to Staci Hoff for future presentation on fatality review
4. Resume the Communications Action Team
5. Read the full Safety Definition Paper and send feedback by March 3
6. Read Works in Progress and send feedback to Scott by March 3
7. Approved Action Team on All Things Speed Related: Josh, Charlotte and Dhongho! This team will choose a team liaison with Exec Committee, reach out to other ATSC for membership, organize yourselves for meeting schedule
8. The rest of the action team discussion goes back to the Exec Team to bring back in March

Discussion Notes

1. Membership

1. Jenny Arnold, David Delgado leaving ATSC. Will replace.
2. Onboarding Process: Harold first buddy for March-April.

2. Fatality Review: What do we mean by "deep dive?"

- Harold - Hit and run accidents in API community – little to no follow-up, recurring factors?
- Dongho – previously we looked at trends, where and how collisions are happening in a way that action can be taken so we can get to a deeper dive – where are fatalities and serious injuries – and the relationship to facility types (land-use, crossing) – diving into a couple of case studies to see trends
- Barb – WASHDOT might have the info about the specifics of facilities (above) to pull out commonalities. Might want to propose right-turn-on-red everywhere. More close call data (Like Bellevue) for more analytical and preventive data
- Barb - MNDOT is developing an interesting new equity analysis structure for walk/bike too.
- Will – Health equity+, GIS mapping – structural, system aspects with health equity impacts. North Carolina example?

- Katharine – lighting a factor? Learn patterns about lighting.
- Anna – Creating political will to make the changes and get the funding. Where and how we can make compelling I also struggle with us spending a lot of time with the data when it seems like we actually know the things that create risk for pedestrians, the problem is the lack of funding/political will to make the sorts of changes that are needed. I want to make sure we think strategically about how this data can be used.
- Staci – feedback on keywords for Rhino data for non-motor vehicle involved injuries.
- Barb – i.e., maintenance (shovel the sidewalks first so ppl don't slip and fall and have head injuries)
- Barb - Found part of the maintenance topic I mentioned w/respect to RHINO data work. This was presented at 2019 Transportation Research Board annual meeting and I'll track down the publication if it's out.
- Will – cyclical – data > funding. Need data but also to tell the story – esp. near misses – to avoid them and prevent injury.

3) Action Team Updates:

A. Safety Mobility Group

- An example of this model turned into a matrix to organize action recommendations in a very different policy realm: <https://www.wcsap.org/prevention/concepts/social-ecological-model>
- Why not have a domain on the community circle from the model? (found the model after the domain conversation – could use the model to parse which levels to focus action on)
- The document feels abstract – the emotion/meaning is missing – more punch?
- Important to tell the societal story – engineering solutions don't fix all the crashes – we also focus on the cultural changes and responsibilities
- Include an illustration of a person making a decision that is societally-impacted (woman subject to harassment on a dark sidewalk, person deciding to walk on a broken sidewalk...)
- Internal document for now – make it do what we need it to do
- Equity is a critical lens for discussions about community. We bring our own identity and orientations – and create systems with those lenses – which result in experiences of people

B. Works in Progress

- Will clarify what “done” means
- Would like to see it end up as external document to show the group's work

C. Legislative Update –flurry of bills mostly related to bicycling

- HB 1039 – Bike Safety education, still in exec maybe not moving forward
- HB 1099 – Climate Effects to be addressed under GMA – defines active transportation to address climate change
- HB 1524 related to E-bikes on state lands
- [Senate Bill 5448](#) related to payment plans on certain vehicles taxes and fees
- HB 1287 - Zero Emission vehicles infrastructure and utility load – also includes mapping and forecasting for active transportation and e-bikes

- HB 1435 – Permit requirements for 6+ group of cyclists – law enforcement could stop them under presumption they are breaking the law (would apply to Safe Routes to School group riders – \$250 fine per child without permit!)
- Would like info on state transportation budgets.
- Anna - had shared the white paper with TCC, seemed like we might get a bill, but not happening now. (It was going to be linked to a jaywalking bill). We are supporting a bill to allow Sound Transit to reform fare enforcement.
- [Sound Transit HB1301](#)

D. Communications Plan – Outcome: Executive Decision by Scott W - Yes

4) Strategic Planning Round Two

Discussion:

GIVENS: Safety, Communications, Fatality Review

Group 1: Scott, Eveline, Kerri, Will

- What does a prioritized list mean – ranking of action teams for the year... Is this just about accumulating data – how get to specific recs of the broad topics
- Look at our present work – goes any of it need to be continued? Prioritize that: Speed Policy and dissemination

Group 2: Barb, Julia, Katharine, Pam

- Focused on “under the influence” - Data may have gaps in understanding on what it means... Crash as part of a larger pattern and other factors, ... Shift use of data away from blaming victims – what we do and don’t know and how to use the data. Prescription drugs...do the discussion service on what ISNT impairment. “Impairment+”

Group 3: David, Harold, Jon, Josh

- Impaired or distracted driving
- All things speed related on many levels, attitudes of speed, systems change, road design, communicate on local

Group 4: Charlotte, Dongho, Eric, Chris

- Speed issue is priority – implementation of Speed Limit Setting Policy – change target speeds and urban infrastructure = more flexibility for small towns, liability concern, limitations for treatments; Automated Speed Enforcement funds – track how used
- Crossings – 60% of collisions occur when ped try crossing (illumination, frequency, crossing treatments, liabilities). Sector collision reports – no space to report if ped was crossing, officer has to put in narrative = a burden to collecting that info

Link to [Speed Management Work Group Info and Policy Framework](#)

Other things to learn about:

Next Steps:

1. Approve a Speed Related Action Team - Josh, Dongho, Charlotte
2. Will continue prioritizing at March meeting