

# SIoux FALLS SCHOOLS TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



## PATH COMMITTEE MEETING

January 14, 2010

9:00 AM

IPC Building, Boardroom 2-3

### I. CALL TO ORDER/ ATTENDANCE

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Heath Hoftiezer, John Snobeck, Michelle Wolf, Dennis Pottebaum, Susan Foster, Teresa Boysen, Sharon Chontos, Dallas Hofer, Diane Hall, Brandi Kowalczyk, Darin Daby, Lisa Huemoeller

#### MEMBERS ABSENT

Marilyn Buskohl, Craig Smith, Kerry Larson, Lt. Jerome Miller, Steve Natz, Bill Smith

#### GUESTS PRESENT

### II. INTRODUCTIONS

### III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF DECEMBER MINUTES

A motion was made by John Snobeck to approve the December minutes. Motion was seconded by Dallas Hofer. Motion passed unanimously.

### IV. PUBLIC INPUT

### V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- *Police Department:* No Report
- *City Engineering:* Heath handed out the Sioux Falls Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Funding Map for summer 2010 thru summer 2013. The map showed the areas where funding is expected to be spent. The schools for this year include Garfield, Jefferson, Laura Wilder, Robert Frost, John Harris, Explorer, and Journey.

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*Private Schools:* Sharon Chontos reported that she will be submitting an SRTS application on behalf of St. Mary's. The final draft should be ready by mid-February. Sharon also mentioned an issue with parents parking on school crosswalks between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue when dropping off their child. The Police Department has talked to parents and asked them to acknowledge the crossing guards and children in the crosswalks.

- *Public Schools:* No Report

### VI. NEW BUSINESS

- *Police Department:* Dennis Pottebaum reported that Sgt. Galen Smith will no longer be the contact for the PATH Committee. Sgt. Dave McIntire will be his replacement.
- *City Engineering:* Heath reported that the City is working on changing the flashing beacon system. Three years ago a paging system was put in place to change the beacons remotely. Since then, the pager companies have left Sioux Falls. The City is currently working with a wireless company to develop a remote system that will allow the City to change beacon timings anytime with the use of a computer. There are approximately 15 flashing beacons in Sioux Falls. The City is currently working on funding.
- *Private Schools:* Michelle Wolf had a general question regarding countdown timers. Heath explained how the timers operate and why timings are different at various intersections.
- *Public Schools:* Susan Foster reported that the flashing beacons have been installed at Fred Assam Elementary. Sidewalk is scheduled to be installed this spring. In addition, the neighborhood residents west of the school will be voting next week on a 700' addition sidewalk. Susan extended thanks to the City Traffic Office and the PATH Committee for all their efforts.
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### VII. ADJOURNMENT

- The next meeting will be held February 11, 2010 at the IPC Building.
- Meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.