

**Seattle School Traffic Safety Committee
July 22, 2016 Minutes**

Attendees

Committee Members:

- Shanti Breznau (Citizen At-Large)**
- Yvonne Carpenter (Seattle Public Schools)**
- √ **Jen Cole, Chair (Pedestrian Safety)**
- Brian Dougherty (Seattle Dept. of Transportation)**
- √ **An Huynh, Secretary (Citizen At-Large)**
- Shannon Koller (Cascade Bicycle Club)**
- Rich O'Neill (Seattle Police Department)**
- √ **Ashley Rhead (Seattle Dept. of Transportation)**
- √ **Alyssa Smith (Parent Representative)**
- √ **Richard Staudt (Seattle Public Schools)**
- Cathy Tuttle (Seattle Neighborhood Greenways, Citizen At-Large)**

Public Comment

Other Presenters

Tabitha Burns, Hazel Wolf K-8 parent (tburns71@gmail.com)

Karla Smith-Jones, Hazel Wolf K-8 parent (karlaspeak@hotmail.com)

Past To-do's

- Alyssa Smith to send Clint Loper proposal letter to the committee.
- Jen Cole to check with Richard Staudt about parents serving as a volunteer school safety supervisor if no staff wants to do it. There would be a stipend included if the volunteer was an SEA member and/or certificated teacher. If no staff steps up, then a parent volunteer can fill the role as a volunteer. This would need a written release from SEA. That person would be covered the same way SPS employees are covered. If the volunteer is injured on the job, their medical costs will be covered, but it would not include time loss benefits.
- Brian Dougherty sent letter to Dan Anderson and created STSC@seattle.gov

Approval of June minutes: APPROVED

Pinehurst / Hazel Wolf Discussion

Two parent representatives came to present to the committee about their concerns regarding a couple of intersections near Hazel Wolf K-8. The school will be opening for the 2016-17 school year and many students will be living within the walk zone. In order to make walking to school safer, they have two requests:

1. Move existing crossing guard from 125th and 15th closer to the school.

2. A second crossing guard to help students cross Roosevelt Way NE
 - The Crossing Guard Subcommittee recommends to prioritize crossing guards at the large intersection (15th Ave NE & Pinehurst Way NE) and at NE 117th St & Roosevelt Way NE
 - Crossing guard at 15th Ave NE & NE 125th St was shared with another school (Olympic Hills), but that school is closed next year
 - The community will have to help recruit for the open crossing guard position.
 - School crossing guard location will get school zone signs installed even if the location is outside of 300 feet of a school. If locations already have lights or stop signs, they will not get a school zone sign

SRTS Resource List

- The committee wants to create a short list of resources for folks interested in pursuing SRTS projects and/or getting in contact with the committee.
- We would direct people to <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/saferoutes.htm>

Potential resources that we can include on the list:

- <https://walkbikeschools.wordpress.com/get-started/>
- <https://walkbikeschools.wordpress.com/walk-bike-schools-resources/>
- <http://walkbiketoschool.org/get-set>
- <http://www.feetfirst.org/what-we-do/safe-routes>
- <https://www.cascade.org/learn/school-based-programs>
- <http://seattlegreenways.org/2016-campaigns/>
- <http://walkingschoolbus.org/>
- School arrival and departure PDF:
<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/docs/srts/ImproveYourSchoolArrivalandDepartureProcedures.pdf>

ACTION: Alyssa Smith to make PDF of links and Jen Cole to add PDF link to SRTS email automatic reply function. Other specific questions into future consideration

Wing Luke Elementary:

- Studies have been conducted at this site and a marked crosswalk will be installed this year. Speed humps will be installed next year.
- Through the Youth Voice, Youth Choice participatory budgeting process, Safe Routes to School was one of the projects that was funded.
- Speed humps around Wing Luke Elementary will be funded by the Youth Voice, Youth Choice program

Finalize committee letter re: SPD School Connections Letter

- Discussion about this letter will be tabled to next month since Cathy Tuttle is not present at this meeting.

ACTION: Jen Cole to talk to Rich O'Neill about coming to our next meeting prepared to make a decision with us.

Future Topics & Announcements

- Walk to School Month preview - What does the committee want to do to get the message out to families?
- Results from Hands Up Tally
- Discuss Alyssa's letter about Clint Loper Proposal