

**MINUTES**  
**Safe Routes to School Committee Meeting**  
**August 20, 2012 12:00 P.M.**

The Safe Routes to School Committee met during a regular meeting on August 20, 2012 at 12:00 p.m., at the Farmington Civic Center, 200 West Arrington, Farmington, New Mexico.

<b>Present:</b>	Champion:	Debra Mayeux
	Members:	Pat Cordell Duane Wakan Joe Delmagori Steve Krest June Markle
<b>Absent:</b>	Members:	Shawn Lyle Sergeant Dave Monfils Jeff Treat Candace Young William Young

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Debra Mayeux and the following proceedings were duly had and taken.

**DISCUSSION**

Mrs. Mayeux asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the July 16, 2012 meeting. Mr. Krest moved to approve the minutes and Mr. Delmagori seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

**Reports from Participating Schools:** Mrs. Mayeux e-mailed and called the principals at each of the SRTS schools to discuss SRTS activities now that the school year has begun. She has received no response to her calls.

The Ladera Elementary open house is this evening and Mrs. Mayeux will attend. The other schools' open houses were all held last week following the first day of school.

Mrs. Mayeux will distribute to each of the schools the walking school bus brochures, the SRTS school maps, and the letter to parents from Mr. Krest concerning student drop off and pick up procedures for each school.

**Report of Champion Efforts:** Mrs. Mayeux reported that the bike rodeo and bicycle training are scheduled for September 15 and 16. A location needs to be selected and publicity about the event needs to be started. Mrs. Mayeux said no one has signed up for the training although she has contacted the School Resource Officers and the schools. Mr. Krest said he and Mr. Delmagori would take on this project.

Mrs. Mayeux will get the schools registered with the state SRTS office for the Walk to School Day which is set for Wednesday, October 3 2012.

Mrs. Mayeux tendered her resignation as the SRTS Champion. Her current full-time job responsibilities do not allow her the time to give the necessary attention to SRTS activities, outreach, and education. She will stay on as Champion until the end of August. Mrs. Mayeux would like to continue to be involved with SRTS going forward and volunteered to continue to assist with the school student counts and other SRTS functions.

**Education:** There was no report.

**Enforcement:** There was no report.

**Engineering:** Mr. Krest reported that the three projects for Phase II infrastructure funding have completed both the certification and cost estimate processes and have been approved:

- Sidewalk repair/construction from Apache Elementary east to Auburn along Apache;
- Installation of a raised crosswalk at Monterey and Boyd for McKinley Elementary students;
- Construction of missing sidewalk along Victoria Way for Mesa Verde Elementary students.

The cost estimate for the three projects came in at approximately \$150,000 which leaves an additional \$100,000 in infrastructure funding. Mr. Krest has requested this money be used for the installation of a HAWK signal (High-intensity Activated crossWALK) on College Boulevard for Mesa Verde Elementary. This signal will be activated by the crossing guard during school hours and by pedestrians wanting to cross College Boulevard at other times of the day. Mr. Krest said this project will have to pass the same review process as the other three projects, but approval is expected. All of these projects will be completed during the construction season next year.

Mr. Krest stated that the upgraded driver feedback signs (“your speed is...”) which are activated by the school crossing guards look good and are highly visible. A flashing “school zone” sign is still to be installed this year on Dustin Avenue between 35<sup>th</sup> and 38<sup>th</sup> Streets.

Mr. Krest asked if the members knew of someone who might be interested in taking on the SRTS Champion position. Mrs. Mayeux said Ms. Christine Garcia with Big Brothers/Big Sisters suggested a group called “Moms’ Group” who might have some interest. Several other potential candidates will also be contacted to determine their interest. Mrs. Mayeux was thanked for all her work and the efforts to promote and build SRTS in the area.

**Evaluation:** Mr. Delmagori reported that with schools back in session, the Committee needed to decide when to conduct the fall student arrival counts. After discussion, it was

agreed that the counts at Apache and Ladera would be conducted on September 25, 26 & 27; counts at McKinley and Mesa Verde will be conducted on October 1, 2, & 4. October 3 will be reserved for the Walk to School Day and Committee members will volunteer to hand out prizes/tokens to students who walk to school on that day. Mr. Delmagori will put together a schedule for the school counts and send that out in the next week.

The next SRTS Committee meeting will be on September 10, 2012 at 12:00 p.m. at the Farmington Civic Center.

Mrs. Mayeux adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m.