

Present – Shelley Winters, Patrick Herlihy, Ken Hazeltine, Van Chesnut, Lisa Paquette, Barbara Brill, Rebecca Harris, Roberta Berner, Fred Roberge, Jim Sudak, Jeanne Bota, Lee Maloney, Karen Holden, Rad Nichols, Beverly Cray, Brian Corcoran, Evan Rosset, Gail Robbins, Carol Hardy, David Cloutier

Minutes of January 7th meeting approved.

Legislative update: HB 1481, regarding road tolls not being able to be used for funding transit operations, was introduced recently. Status of the bill is unknown at this time. SB 316 was in its third attempt.

DOT update: 5310 Purchase of Service “flex funds” is still being looked at. The main scope was volunteer driver reimbursement, but DOT is looking to go beyond that with the funding. More research needs to be done and it will be posted on the DOT website once available. Contracts will be looked at regarding this new 5310 money and will be a different due date, all other contracts are still at July 1. The RFP is out for the intercity bus service-Concord to Manchester and Manchester Airport. Announcement award should be out soon. Contracts for 5311, JARC, etc will be going out next week. All will be sent out via email now, rather than paper copies. Budget forms will be in Excel spreadsheet. Applications will be on the DOT website. There will be a 2 hour, Grants Workshop on February 22nd at the DOT in Concord. (9:00 to 11:00), for new grantees or for anyone not sure of the programs. The state management plan addresses changes to the 5310 program regarding the utilization of purchase of service funds. A copy will be sent out. Shelley announced that the state has some 1996 MTI coaches going out to bid. They obviously would like to try and sell them before they go to auction, anticipating a better return selling outright. Deputy Commissioner, Chris Clements will be moving out of his current position on to the Economic Stimulus Program. Mike Pillsbury has been picked as his replacement. Update on the Drug and Alcohol audit was favorable. A 390 page submission from DOT went to the FTA on the reviews. Only 3 agencies were not totally cleared on their findings. The deadline has been extended for 10 days for those 3. Rad stated to Shelley that he has concerns on the reauthorization and would like the DOT bureau to know this, Shelley will pass this along. In answer to the agenda item regarding volunteers attending state trainings, the answer at this time is, no, they cannot.

DHHS Update: Patrick reported that SB 321 has been heard in the house, there were a few SCC members present. This amends the SCC Bill regarding the liability issue. It is still in committee and under review. On the SCC / RCC front; The Belknap-Merrimack County RCC kickoff took place, bringing the number of RCC applications to 9. Their next meeting is February 17th at 2:00, at Laconia. The ACT application has been reviewed and will be on the SCC agenda later this afternoon. The Alternative Strategies Committee met and has reviewed the Vermont IT system and the HBSS system. The next meeting of this committee will be Tuesday at GSIL, on the data set collection needed. Will Rodman will be in attendance at the SCC meeting today. The Eastern Monadnock Region’s application should be submitted next week.

New Business: There was a brief discussion on the CTAA’s Transit Operating Assistance Alliance. Decision right now is to take no action at this time on the issue.

Old Business: Lee gave an update on the Technology Training committee. One thought is to have 3 separate seminars, perhaps as lunch dates. Locations would be needed. A sample brochure is being worked on. It was felt that the target audience would be transit providers and users. The 3 sessions would entail; 1- Software/ billing & accounting; 2- communications/ twitter, etc.; 3- Social Networking/face book, etc. Events could be planned around the same day as NHTA and SCC meetings. Lee will try to research some locations for these. The question came up as to whether there was funding through RTAP for these, Shelley stated that there could possibly be, but she would need an official letter from NHTA on the request for funding. Rad stated that he would be willing to speak at a session on COAST and UNH’s experience with Google.

The training could maybe also tie in with the annual meeting. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Annual meeting discussion;

Location at this time looks like Horseshoe Pond Place on June 3rd, a regularly schedule day for NHTA meeting. There may or may not be a conflict with the SCC meeting at 1:30, which is on the same day. Van will bring this up at the SCC meeting to see if that meeting start time could be at 2:00.

Tentative Agenda items to discuss on the meeting at next NHTA meeting: *(not in any specific order)*

- Business Meeting
- Election of Officers
- Delegation / Speakers
- Vendors
- Technology Training Committee plan ?
- Vendors
- Lunch
 - Food line up
- Fee
- Dues

Annual meeting sub committee was formed, comprising of Ken, Pat and Jean.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting: March 4, 2010