

**Governor's Council on Impaired Driving
Meeting Agenda
November 15 - 16, 2005
Parkway Plaza, Casper**

Tuesday, November 15, 2005

2:00 Welcome and Introductions

Tim Day and Mary Frank, Governor's Council Co-Chairs

2:20 Upcoming Priority Issues

DUI/Child Endangerment and Ignition Interlock are poised to be addressed during the 2006 Legislative Session. The Governor's Council has also been charged with identifying opportunities for public education about Dram Shop. How can the Council most effectively advocate for these issues? Council members will work in sub-committees to develop strategic plans to move each of these issues forward.

4:30 Governor's Council Strategic Plans

Sub-committees will report back on their respective plans so the Council's actions can be coordinated.

6:00 Dinner

6:30 Governor's Awards Banquet

A keynote speaker has been booked for the Governor's Awards Banquet on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at the Parkway Plaza in Casper. What should the Banquet program include? Who will receive DUI Enforcement Awards? How should we market the Awards Banquet?

8:00 Adjourn

Wednesday, November 16, 2005

7:45 Breakfast

8:00 White Papers

Council members will break into sub-committees to begin work on white papers for each of the Council's four priority issues (mandatory drug/alcohol testing of all drivers involved in fatal crashes, criminalizing refusals to chemical testing, sobriety checkpoints, and changing the per se limit to .08 within 3 hours of driving).

10:00 Reports from Sub-Committees

10:20 Updates and Announcements

Council members and guests may be involved with legislative and/or social policy issues that are relevant to the Council. Those with information will be asked to provide updates. The final draft of Council By-Laws, adopted during the August meeting, will be available for review.

The Lifesavers Conference, the annual National Conference on Highway Safety Priorities, will be held April 9–11, 2006 in Austin, TX. Council members must indicate their wish to attend during or before the January 2006 Council meeting.

11:00 Closing Remarks and Adjourn

Governor's Council on Impaired Driving November 15-16, 2005 Meeting Minutes

The quarterly meeting of the Governor's Council on Impaired Driving was held November 15-16, 2005 at the Parkway Plaza in Casper. The meeting began with a welcome from Council Co-Chair Mary Frank, followed by Council member introductions.

Lorrie Pozarik, Council facilitator, provided members with a brief update on Ignition Interlock and DUI/Child Endangerment. Lorrie presented the Council's recommendations for Ignition Interlock to the Joint Interim Transportation Committee at their meeting in September. The committee voted to sponsor an Ignition Interlock bill during the 2006 Budget Session; Lorrie provided Council members with a copy of the working draft of the bill. The Casper Star Tribune has already published an editorial in support of Ignition Interlock. Rep. Becket Hinkley will sponsor DUI/Child Endangerment during the 2006 Budget Session; he intends to use the endorsed copy of the 2005 bill.

Council members worked in sub-committees to develop a public education campaign for Ignition Interlock, DUI/Child Endangerment and Dram Shop. Sub-committee members also discussed the language included in the proposed bills. Public service announcements and an opinion piece will be prepared and distributed for Child Endangerment and Ignition Interlock. A portfolio of support letters for Child Endangerment will be obtained from various constituency groups and forwarded to legislators. The remaining Child Endangerment brochures will be distributed through the state's local daily newspapers (there aren't enough brochures left to distribute through the Casper Star and Tribune Eagle). The Ignition Interlock fact sheet will be developed into a graphic-friendly version and distributed to various constituency groups electronically. A letter will be sent to all legislators outlining DUI/Child Endangerment and Ignition Interlock, and inviting them to attend a Governor's Council press conference which will be held immediately following the next Council meeting on Jan 25, 2006 at 11:00 am in Casper.

Several possible forums were identified as avenues for public education about Dram Shop. The sub-committee will continue to work on developing an educational campaign which will be presented to the Governor for approval following the next Council meeting in January.

Council members began planning for the Governor's Awards Banquet to be held May 3, 2006 at the Parkway Plaza in Casper. Gordon Graham has been booked as the keynote speaker. Council members developed the Banquet program as follows:

- 4:30 pm: seating
- 5:00 pm: Gordon Graham presentation
- 5:45 pm: dinner

6:20 pm: Citizen's Awards presented by Governor Freudenthal
6:40 pm: break (tables cleared and desert served)
7:00 pm: DUI Enforcement Awards presented by Governor Freudenthal
8:00 pm: adjourn

The mailing list for last year's conference will be updated and a single mailing will go out to the 5000 individuals and agencies on the list in late February. The piece will include registration materials for the banquet (\$15.00/person) and nomination forms for the Governor's Awards. Nominations will be due back to the Council by March 24, 2006. The sub-committee working on the DUI Enforcement Awards recommended that we leave the award criteria for 2006 (reflecting 2005 DUI arrests) unchanged (13-24 arrests will be silver and 25+ arrests will be gold). Beginning in 2007 (reflecting 2006 DUI arrests), DUI Enforcement Awards would be granted to the top 100 officers in the state (top 20 would be gold and the remaining would be silver). **Gene Rugotzke made a motion, seconded by Carl McDonald, to adopt the sub-committee's recommendations. Motion passed unanimously.** Gene will notify all law enforcement agencies of the change no later than January 2006.

Council members worked in sub-committees to begin preparing white papers for each of the Council's four new priority issues (mandatory drug/alcohol testing of all drivers involved in fatal crashes, criminalizing refusals to chemical testing, sobriety checkpoints, and changing the per se limit to 0.08 *within* three hours of driving). Sub-committee members reviewed available resources and identified additional information needed, developed an outline of their paper and assigned individual responsibilities for writing various sections of each paper. The sub-committees will complete each paper during the next Council meeting in January.

Lorrie Pozarik announced that funding will be available for several Council members to attend the annual Lifesavers Conference in Austin, TX on April 9-11. Council members must indicate their interest to attend at or before the next Council meeting in January.

Toni Reichenbach, Kerry Shatto and Carl McDonald announced that MADD National had granted the first Alexander Hamilton award to Gene Rugotzke for his outstanding effort to track state legislation to prevent impaired driving. Toni presented Gene with the award from MADD.

Toni Reichenbach reported that MADD will be working to revise WY's Open Container law during the 2006 Budget Session and that Youth For Justice will be working on Keg Registration.

Byron Oedekoven introduced guest Ernie Johnson who recently completed a study for the Sheriff's and Chief's Association entitled "Evaluation of Alcohol Factors in Custodial Arrests in Wyoming". Ernie presented a brief overview of the study and provided Council members with copies of the report. A statewide public opinion survey of knowledge and attitudes about impaired driving and other alcohol-related issues is currently planned for 2006.

The next meeting of the Governor's Council on Impaired Driving will be held on Tuesday, January 24 – Wednesday, January 25, 2006 at the Best Western Ramkota in Casper.