

## **Governor's Task Force on Teen Driving**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting date: May 30, 2008**

**Time: 10 a.m.**

**Place: Legislative Office Building, Hartford, Room 1B**

*Task force members present:* Commissioner J. Robert Galvin (Co-Chairman), Commissioner Robert M. Ward (Co-Chairman), Charles Hollis, Robert L. Willsey, Yvette Bello, Maria Cruz, Dianne Harnad, Timothy S. Hollister, Brendan T. Campbell, M.D., Sherry Chapman, Susan Naide, Joseph Cristalli, Chief James Rio, Bill Ciotto, Lt. Col. Peter Terenzi, Jim MacPherson, Dr. Jack Thaw

*Task force members absent:* Stephen Simalchik, Albert S. Dabrowski, Mario Damiata, Rose Marie Cipriano, Stephanie Demchik-Pascual, Gillian Mosier

*Others present:* Dr. David Preusser

#### **Proceedings:**

##### **1) Welcome**

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Co-Chair Ward. Co-Chair Ward and Co-Chair Galvin thanked Governor Rell, the State Legislature, Task Force members and all the people and groups that assisted the Task Force.

##### **2) Discussion and Vote on Final Report of the Task Force**

Mr. Hollister asked Co-Chair Ward about role of the DMV's Center for Teen Safe Driving (Center) as it relates to the long-term recommendations of the Task Force. Co-Chair Ward said the Center will be a repository within DMV for reports and studies relating to teen driving within DMV. Those reports, studies and statistics would be used in part to determine what works and what doesn't as it relates to teen driving. The Center will initially be run out of DMV's communications office.

Ms. Cruz asked Co-Chair Ward when he expected to see the long-term recommendations discussed, and perhaps voted on, in the state legislature. Co-Chair Ward said the Task Force's final report will go to the Governor today, however the legislature does not reconvene until January 2009. DMV has already begun to act on administrative actions relating to the law changes that will take effect on August 1.

Co-Chair Ward called for a formal vote to approve the Task Force's final report. The final report was approved by a vote of 17-0, with six members absent and not voting.

The following is the roll call vote from the meeting:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Co-Chair J. Robert Galvin	X			
Co-Chair Robert M. Ward	X			
Yvette Bello	X			
Brendan T. Campbell	X			
Sherry Chapman	X			
Bill Ciotto	X			
Rose Marie Cipriano				X
Joseph Cristalli	X			
Maria Cruz	X			
Albert S. Dabrowski				X
Mario Damiata				X
Stephanie Demchik-Pascual				X
Dianne Harnad	X			
Charles Hollis	X			
Timothy S. Hollister	X			
Jim MacPherson	X			
Gillian Mosier				X
Susan Naide	X			
James Rio	X			
Stephen Simalchik				X
Peter R. Terenzi	X			
Jack Thaw	X			
Robert L. Willsey	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	17	0	0	6

**3) Comments on Work of Task Force**

Mr. Hollister asked parents across the state to not sacrifice safety for convenience when it comes to complying with the laws regarding to teen driving.

**4) Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 a.m.