

**Safe Routes to School (SRtS)
Task Force Meeting
May 4, 2009**

In Attendance: Maud Anderson, Joanne Coppinger, Jody Eichhorn, Sara Fogarty, Mike Izard, Scott Kinmond, Michael Lancor, Carolyn Nelson, Betsy Patten, Carter Terenzini, Les Smith and Gary Torresen

Unable to Attend: Tom Dawson, Laurie Whitley, Cassie Coons, Pasha Marlow

The SRtS task force meeting began at 2:40 p.m. in the SAU Conference Room at Moultonborough Academy.

Parent Surveys and Tally Sheets: The SRtS grant process requires administration of “Student Arrival and Departure Tally Sheets” and “Survey About Walking and Biking to School for Parents”. Mike Lancor, Sara Fogarty and Carolyn Nelson will distribute and recollect the parent surveys and teacher tally sheets during the week of May 11, 2009 for grades K to 8. The tally sheets will be completed on Tuesday, May 12, Wednesday, May 13, and Thursday, May 14. The parent surveys are due back by Friday, May 15. Carter Terenzini volunteered to create a draft cover letter to go home with the survey sheets to all parents. Mike Lancor will send an AlertNow message regarding the parent surveys to the households of all students in grades K to 8 on Sunday, May 10, 2009.

Document Existing Conditions: Mike Izard (Lakes Region Planning Commission) discussed the grant requirements for documenting existing conditions (e.g. road shoulders, official and unofficial pathways, snow mobile trails) within one mile (walking) and two-mile (biking) distances from Moultonborough Central School and Moultonborough Academy. Two maps were posted for discussion purposes.

- Discussion took place about identifying potential “drop off locations” that could serve as locations from which students might walk to or bike to and from school. Potential locations discussed included the Public Library/Recreation Center Complex, the Moultonborough Lions Clubhouse, the entrance to Skyline Drive and the Moultonborough United Methodist Church.
- The SRtS grant process requires members of the task force to use GPS to map distances from the two schools while recording conditions (safety and physical) on roadways and pathways that may be used by students to walk to and from school.
- The mapping (walking and biking roadways and pathways) will take place in June and July under direction of the Lakes Regions Planning Commission (LRPC). Two employees of LRPC will work with the following SRtS Task Force members: Maud Anderson, Joanne Coppinger, Tom Dawson, Jody Eichhorn, Sara Fogarty, Carolyn Nelson, Les Smith and Garry Torreson. Mike Izard will coordinate this effort and will contact task force members by email.
- There was consensus that all known official or unofficial pathways were already identified on the maps.

Moultonborough Master Plan: Pages 13 and 14 of the new Moultonborough Master Plan were reviewed. The following recommended Action Plans were noted as being related to the work of the SRtS Task Force:

- Construct walkways on Route 25 in village, at least on the north side.
- Construct a crosswalk at Blake Road to north side of Route 25 to connect schools to village.
- Establish a pedestrian connection within the civic complex with a connection to commercial buildings in the village.
- Improve pedestrian safety including village crossing, connection to trail network and ties to housing.
- Implement connections or access roads between town and private roads to mitigate traffic congestion and reduce traffic on major state and local highways.

Next Meeting: The SRtS Task Force will meet at 9:00 a.m. in the SAU Conference Room on Monday, August 17, 2009.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Lancor,
Superintendent