

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
SAMOHI PARKING & TRANSPORTATION TASK FORCE
MINUTES
May 12, 2004

Attending: Greg Runyon – Chair; Andrew Agle; Christian Boyce; Barbara Filet; Randi Hutchinson; Kathryn Morea; Jeanne Wells

Guests: Delphine LaFont, Peter Orth, Inese Verzemnieks

1. Old Business

- UCLA is unable to help with restriping the north parking lot
- The City came to look at the parking lot with an eye for restriping input. No feedback yet
- Randi will work with ASB on conducting a traffic survey during class.
- Greg received samples of surveys
- As they have done in the past, Big Blue Bus is open to using targeted funds to return to SAMOHI with an educational program. It would be most beneficial if they work with the Humanities classes.
- Big Blue Bus passes are sold in the student store, at the Blue Bus office and in public libraries. In order to alleviate the long lines at the student store, Greg will investigate having bus passes available at each House for sale to students.
- Task Force listserv is up and running.

2. The Task Force reviewed community input on Bay Street and Michigan issues submitted by Barbara Filet and Kathryn Morea. Items were as follows:

Bay Street

- Switch street cleaning times from 3:30-5:00 p.m. to the previous 9:00-11:00 a.m.
- Initiate parking restrictions on Bay Street such as No Parking Between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. (residents exempt)
- Post signs: No turns onto Bay Street from Lincoln between 7:00 and 9:00 a.m. weekdays

Michigan Avenue

- Divert westbound car travel at Lincoln Court. Allow bikes through.
- Divert eastbound car travel at Euclid Court. Allow bikes through.
- Allow only left and right turns, no through travel, except for bikes at Lincoln coming east from the high school.
- Instruct parents that no dropping off should occur in residential zones.

- Synchronize the traffic lights on Lincoln Boulevard and Michigan. This falls within Cal Trans boundaries. They are already researching this.

3. Additional suggestions:

- Create an educational package for parents including instructions on where to drop-off and pick-up
- Request additional police supervision during drop-off and pick-up hours. A reminder was stated that the Police Department focuses on elementary schools during those hours.
- Reminder: Everything West of Lincoln is in the Coastal Zone, which presents additional hurdles when requesting changes.

4. SAMOHI's neighbors are asking for support from the School District in their quest to ameliorate the negative parking and transportation issues that exist when living in such close proximity to a high school.

5. Greg reiterated the boundaries in which the School District may operate. The District cannot support any changes that would affect the safety and well being of students and staff at the high school such as less available parking, bringing more traffic (cars) onto the campus where there is foot traffic, etc.

6. Staff will work on charting recommendations to the Board including their cost and impact on the school district.

7. It was asked that the existing SAMOHI Task Force web site be discontinued as the School District, its committees and task forces may not have unauthorized web sites (other than those created by the District) on the Internet.

NEXT MEETING: MAY 26, 2004
6:30 – 7:30 P.M.
Board Conference Room