

Active Living Work Group Meeting Agenda- September 27, 2013

8a, UERPC Conference Room, 325 Washington Street, Decorah, IA

Attendees: Jake Geis, FFI Resource Contact; Felicia Pinto, FFI Resource Contact; Ashley Turk, FFI Resource Contact; Megan Woodward, FFI Resource Contact; Ashley Dress, FFI Resource Contact; Lindsey Erdman, President of Erdman Engineering, P.C.; Scot Michelson, Park Ranger for Iowa Department of Natural Resources; Karla Organist, Transportation and Community Planning Department Head for Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission; Joann Boyer, Director of Palmer Community Health; Lilly Jensen, Education Coordinator for Winneshiek County Conservation Board; Ashley Christensen, Safe Routes to School Liaison for Upper Explorerland Regional Planning Commission

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. New Work Group Members- Joann Boyer (Palmer Community Health) and Lilly Jensen (Winneshiek County Conservation Board)
 - b. New FFI Resource Contacts
 - i. Felicia- MFL and Clayton Ridge
 - ii. Ashley Turk- Allamakee and Oelwein
 - iii. Jake- North Fayette, Valley, Riceville, Starmont, West Central
 - iv. Megan- North Winn, Decorah, South Winn
 - v. Ashley Dress- Postville, New Hampton, St. Joseph
 - vi. Paige Wettach (unable to attend)- Turkey Valley, Howard Winn, Central
- 2. SRTS Liaison Updates
 - a. 2013 Annual Report- completed!
 - Recent Highlights- SRTS National Conference in August, support for fall Walking School Buses, planning for spring Walking School Buses and Bike Rodeos, International Walk to School Day on October 9th
 - i. Walking School Bus Outreach- create a Facebook page, send text/emails through school to parents, school newsletters
 - ii. Focus on taking pictures which highlight challenges around SRTS, not just "feel good" pictures
- 3. FFI Indicators for Next Year
 - a. Specific updates are attached in separate document
 - b. Pilot new methods for collecting student travel modes to school this coming spring
 - c. Safari input- more geared toward elementary/middle schoolers, NOT birth-5
 - i. Change Safari focus to older students
 - ii. Determine new physical activity indicator for Early Childhood (Ashley will discuss with Haleisa)
 - iii. Looking to move toward a smaller-scale Safari- within a community so families can actively commute to locations (less driving involved)
- 4. Trail Counting Meeting Update
 - a. Counting will happen 4x a year at the same locations around the region
 - b. Karla will inform group of next Trail Counting Meeting, likely to be in November
- 5. Fiscal Year 2015 Funding
 - a. Regional SRTS Liaison position funded through February 2015
 - b. Continued efforts to sustain funding beyond February 2015
 - i. Applying with Iowa Bicycle Coalition for 2015-2016 funding
- 6. Set Next Meeting Date: Friday, January 31st at 8a at UERPC