

Starkville in Motion held its November meeting on Monday November 12 at 6:30.

A new slate of officers was approved by a vote of 25 to 1. They are as follows: President-Devon Brenner, VP- Joe Fratesi, Treasurer-Charlotte Fuquay, Outreach-Kate Fabel, Secretary-Grant Kirker and Jimmy Richardson serving as president ex-officio. Board members at large: Matt Cox, Ron Cossman, Richard Corey, and Patrick Nordin.

Cari Varner presented a PowerPoint slideshow on complete streets, which she will be presenting at the Dec. 11 planning and zoning board meeting. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting, if you cannot attend please contact your alderman and inform them that you support the move to adopt a compete streets zoning ordinance or join the existing SIM sidewalks committee.

Guests Doug Stone, Fred Allen, and Tammy Allen presented a short program on their ongoing efforts to speed up road paving projects in the county. Thanks to Doug, Fred, and Tammy Allen for their informative contribution. Doug's report on Crawford road will be posted on the SIM group site in a couple of days. Any rural cyclists or other members who are interested in involvement in this project, you can contact Doug Stone at wds14@entomology.msstate.edu

Congratulations to Patrik's dad on his recent helmet purchase. Congratulations are also due to Robbie Ward for the success of the Cash Flower Picking Festival, which was a huge undertaking and a much needed event for the city of Starkville.

Patrik Nordin presented an update on the progress of the Day One students. The Day One students have focused on 3 main points throughout the semester.

- * 1. On Oct. 3, an updated census of university drive was taken, cyclist numbers are at 491, which is an increase from the previous year and huge increase from years prior.
- * 2. A safety campaign is in the works, working together with the university to inform students with much needed information regarding bike and pedestrian safety.
- * 3. The Day one students are also working on a feasibility study to determine whether Starkville could make good use of a skate park.

The Day One open house will be Nov. 29 at 5:30 at the MSU stadium skybox, please make plans to attend.

Robert McMillen presented progress on the Starkville Cup. The LAMBRA annual meeting is Nov. 25 in New Orleans, where they will create the race schedule for the 2008 season, once we have secured a date planning will continue. We will have a call for volunteers for organizing the race once we have established a firm date.

Lois presented a report on the overwhelming success of International walk to school day. Over 200 students and parents participated in the event and school administrators are looking forward to a repeat performance in the spring. Thanks to Lois for all her hard work in organizing this event.

Outreach- Kathy and the outreach committee met prior to Monday nights meetings to discuss possible outreach possibilities. A critical mass

bike ride was suggested as a way to encourage better bicyclist/
motorist relations.

Lastly, Ron reported on the status of the SOARs grant which is awarded by the city of Starkville. SIM has proposed a bike rack contest in which design teams will design and build bike racks around the city of Starkville. This essentially serves two purposes, to provide much needed bike racks around town, and provide aesthetic improvements to the community. The outcome will be presented at the January meeting.

Due to the hectic holidays, SIM will not meet this December. Regular monthly meetings will resume in January. Happy Thanksgiving to all and Have a happy holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone at the January meeting.