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 (Winnesheik 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!  
   b. 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

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