



**Legislative and Policy BPAC Subcommittee Meeting  
September 22, 2016  
Rutgers University  
33 Livingston Avenue  
New Brunswick, NJ**

**Attendees:** Janna Chernetz, Joanne Sutkin (MVC), Charles Brown (VTC), Arnold Anderson (CTSP), Cyndi Steiner (NJBWC), Dana Dobson (TSTC), John Boyle, Leigh Ann Von Hagen (VTC)

1. **What to tackle next from the wish list created at November retreat**
  - a. Vision Zero: if we focus on this, we need to take a serious look at what exactly Vision Zero is saying about enforcement, and how it affects minorities
    - i. Enforcement is about safety and right of way issues, not about broken tail light issues
    - ii. Vision Zero vs. Towards Zero Deaths
    - iii. Before we prioritize Vision Zero, we need to
      1. Clearly define/address equity issues related to enforcement and look at unintended consequences
      2. Be farther along in the process so that we can get to zero without watering down the initiative

**Committee agreed to create a Vision Zero primer: What Vision Zero Is and What Vision Zero Isn't. Will be a joint project between this committee and the Education Committee. Will have someone from NYC present at the next BPAC meeting.**
2. **Discussion on Safe Passing legislation**
  - a. **Update Safe Passing report to include what we've learned since it was published**
  - b. New Jersey is one of 12 states without a safe passing law
    - i. Formal recommendation to update 3 foot bill
  - c. Pursue other bills around it
    - i. Dooring
    - ii. Stopping or standing in bike lanes
    - iii. Other initiatives states have passed to protect cyclists
  - d. Recommend that NJ looks into these pieces of legislation
3. **Other legislative updates**
  - a. "Coffee bill"
    - i. In committee this morning
    - ii. Would change law to cover anything you're doing outside the realm of operating your motor vehicle and it causes you to be distracted