

## Meeting Summary

### Present

Bernice McMullan (Chairperson)  
Sinclair James  
Brenda McKinny  
Clint McKechnie  
Ernie Dyck  
Mel Darroch

Detlef Hindemith  
Cpl Theresa Labbe (RCMP)  
P/Sgt Phil Penner (WPS)  
S/Sgt Rick Semler (BPS)  
Tracy Douglass (Prov. Coordinator)

### Regrets:

Gwen Watson  
Annette Champion-Taylor

- **Patrolling Alone**

Please remember that patrols are done with at least one other COPP member. MB COPP volunteers are highly valued and your safety is of the utmost importance. If you have questions about this policy please contact your Regional Representative.

- **Important changes to policies**

- **Policy #4 – Formation of Groups**

MB COPP has commercial liability coverage for groups. Each group outside Winnipeg is encouraged to be included in their municipality or town's insurance to supplement this coverage.

- **Policy #9 – Information Security**

Citizens on Patrol volunteers collect, store, share and destroy personal information as part of their volunteer activities. Expectations outlining how COPP volunteers will manage the personal information and maintain confidentiality have been added to this policy. These changes will be presented at the 2017 conference.

- **New resources on the website**

- A list of road safety related programming you can bring to your community is now on the website in the Members section
- Safety-related information booklets are available for order from the Equipment webpage. These booklets are free of charge and are great resources to hand out at community events.

- **Promoting your group locally**

The MB COPP board understands that local promotion of your group is critical to your group's success and growth. A Media Contact form has been developed and is attached for you and your group members to document all the various ways you can promote your group in your community. This list will act as a reference for you to efficiently get the word out about important activities your group is undertaking.

- **Volunteer and Police Liaison recognition awards**

Don't forget to consider nominating an outstanding COPP member and/or Police Liaison officer who is contributing to the success of your group or the program.

- **COPP Conference**  
Mark the date on the calendar: October 13 – 15. This year’s conference will be excellent professional development opportunity with presentation topics including privacy, drugs, technology and observation skills.
- **Train the Trainer session** – April 22  
All groups are asked to send at least one person to learn how to train groups when they start up in their area or at least to be able to train new members joining their own groups.