

FINAL MINUTES

ANF20 Bicycle Transportation Committee

Transportation Research Board

Summer Mid-Year meeting

June 21, 2005

Conducted via conference call

1) Introductions

The following committee members were present on the call:

Hugh Morris (Chair), National Association of Realtors
Jennifer Dill (Secretary), Portland State University
Lisa Aultman-Hall, University of Connecticut
David Averill, City of Fort Collins
Linda B. Crider, University of Florida
Gihon Jordan, independent consultant
Scott E. Nodes, City of Goodyear
Cara Seiderman, City of Cambridge
Ramakrishna R. Tadi, Caltrans
Libby Thomas, University of North Carolina
Martin Guttenplan, Florida Department of Transportation

Friends of the committee on the call included:

Bill Story
Patrick McMahon, Kittleson Associates
John Fegan, FHWA
Barry Maddox, University of Texas, Austin
Barbara McCann, McCann Consulting

2) Additions to agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

3) January Meeting

a. 2.5 sessions + posters (send out call, themes, complete streets)

Have discussed and agreed to use ½ of our session allotment for the Complete Streets session with the Geometric Design Committee. John Fegan emphasized the need for the session to focus on research and information, not lobbying.

Hugh Morris reminded members to send out the call for papers on estimating bicycle demand. The call was distributed on the APBP email newsletter. He also said that there was a request for a more international presence in the committee sessions and hoped people would encourage participation from abroad.

(Secretary's note: The call is posted here: <http://gulliver.trb.org/am/cfp/2006/ANF20.pdf> and http://www.engr.uconn.edu/ti/anf20_trb_bicycle/TRB_ANF20_2006_Call_for_Papers.pdf)

b. Ideas for presentation at January committee meeting

Traditionally, the committee meeting includes one or more presentations, in addition to regular business. Hugh Morris asked if people had suggestions for the 2006 meeting. Martin Guttenplan explained that this time has sometimes been used to fit in another paper or two.

Gihon Jordan suggested the topic of aggressive driving and distracted driving, which was not included in the Human Factors workshops. One suggestion was to have an expert in this area present and stimulate discussion on topic related to cyclists. No one knew of any research particularly related to bicyclists. A question was raised, is there a TRB committee that includes this topic? No one knew.

Linda Crider's subcommittee on Education and Awareness had conference call earlier in year. There was interest in focusing on institutional memory – how to we “pass the batons” and keep knowledge of past initiatives that have been tried. John Fegan thought that there is a dividing line pre- and post-internet, where information generated pre-internet is lost or hard to find. Lisa Aultman-Hall is having students scan documents to put on web and remarked that it is not taking too long. Martin Guttenplan noted that he has sent documents to John Allen to scan and post on his web site. Cara Seiderman stated that such documents should be on more public site, e.g. our TRB Committee site. The committee agree that it should put energy behind doing this.

c. Format for January committee meeting

Hugh Morris asked if the format used in past years was ok. There was agreement to ask for a long time slot (3 hours instead of 2) and for a better and bigger room. Martin Guttenplan also emphasized the need to shepherd the sign-in sheets around the room to make sure everyone's presence is recorded.

d. Paper review...who would like to participate?

The following people agreed to help review papers:

Dave Averill

Gihon Jordan

Ramakrishna Tadi

Scott Nodes

Jennifer Dill

Patrick McMahan

Libby Thomas

John Fegan

Lisa Aultman-Hall will organize the paper review process.

4) Update on research problem statements

Hugh Morris reported on an email from Dwight Kingsbury. Three of the four reviewers completed their reviews of problem statements. When the fourth is complete he will synthesize and present at the meeting at Woods Hole. Martin Guttenplan will contact Dwight about the meeting to make sure our interests are represented.

Martin Guttenplan stated that there has been some discussion on putting together a problem statement on side paths. Martin met with Theo Petritsch on methodology for side path LOS. Cara Seiderman emphasized the need to clearly define "side path."

Lisa needs this year's problem statements for the for web site. Hugh will follow up on this.

Gihon asked about the Traffic Engineering Subcommittee's statement on intersections. Martin Guttenplan followed up later to clarify that the statement was completed and forwarded.

5) Web site: what should we do with it/put there?

See item 3(b), above. Hugh Morris explained that in the past he obtained permission from Rick Pain at TRB to post meeting papers on the Enhancements web site. He suggested that we ask for similar permission to post papers on the Committee web site.

Lisa Aultman-Hall explained that there are no problems in terms of hosting the site at UConn. The site has a very simple structure that is easy to maintain.

Linda Crider suggested that we post research topics for students

(Secretary's note: The web site address is:

http://www.engr.uconn.edu/ti/anf20_trb_bicycle/index.htm

6) Nominations for new members (plus contact info)

Hugh stated that we can add one regular and one younger (under 30) member. If anyone knows of anyone, email Hugh. There is a nomination form on the web site.

There was a suggestion that someone from APBP be on and there was discussion on whether there can and should be an spot specifically for APBP.