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2014 TSITE FALL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES FREEDOM POINT at LIBERTY PARK, CLARKSVILLE, TN OCTOBER 7, 2014

President John Hunter called the meeting to order at 2:39 p.m.

The following Past Presidents of the Tennessee Section that were in attendance were recognized: Steve Allen, Steve Bryan, Alan Childers, Greg Judy, Bill Moore, Bob Murphy, and Chris Rhodes.

The meeting minutes from the 2014 Summer Business Meeting and 2014 Summer Executive Board Meeting were made available. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Minutes and the Minutes were approved by a voice vote.

Officer's Reports

President (John Hunter): John thanked the TSITE membership for allowing him to serve as President and for their support during his time as a TSITE officer. Specific recognition was given to Mike Conger for extra help at the 2014 Spring and 2014 Summer meetings while John was absent. John also acknowledged the Freedom Point facility made available by the City of Clarksville and the help that Stan Williams had provided in arranging for the use of the facility.

Vice-President (Mike Conger): Mike thanked the presenters and attendees at the meeting and recognized Gerald Bolden and the ITS-TN members for their attendance and participation at the meeting as well. With similarities in topics of interest and some overlap in members, Mike commented that it made sense for TSITE and ITE-TN to increase the frequency of joint meetings and activities.

Secretary-Treasurer (Brandon Baxter): Brandon announced a total attendance of 65 at the meeting including 7 student members from Tennessee State University. The financial report showing deposits and debits since the Summer 2014 meeting was presented. The previous financial report showed a balance of \$5,649.79 (as of 8/1/2014). Since that time, TSITE had deposits totaling \$15,258.38 and debits totaling \$6,994.19, for a balance of \$13,913.98 (as of 10/6/2014). As of October 6, 2014, the scholarship fund had a balance of \$35,335.59.

Section Representatives: Brad Waldschmidt offered reminder announcements about the 2015 SDITE Annual Meeting in Biloxi, Mississippi and the 2016 SDITE Annual Meeting in Nashville.

Affiliate Director: No report.

Committee Reports

Audit: No report.

Awards: Awards were presented during the New Business portion of the meeting.



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Career Development: Brian Haas announced that traffic bowl teams would be assembled starting within two weeks.

Legislative: No report.

Nominations: No report.

Scholarship: There was no specific report offered for the scholarship committee. However, there was discussion about the naming of the TSITE scholarships. The Board will discuss this proposal at the Winter Executive Board Meeting.

Section Relations: No report.

Technical Report: No report.

Traffic Bowl: Greg Judy announced that the 2015 traffic bowl would be hosted by the University of Memphis and that teams would be assembled soon.

Old Business

TSITE Summer Meeting: Mike Conger asked for feedback about the 2014 TSITE Summer Meeting and input on the future planning of Summer Meetings. The change in schedule to a Wednesday – Friday meeting with no technical sessions or activities on Saturday was positive. The location in Gatlinburg was discussed as an attraction for the meeting and that the location and/or condition of some state park facilities is a deterrent to attendance in a rotation of meeting locations. The organized social activity on Wednesday evening of the Summer Meeting was well attended and received good reviews. As funds and/or sponsors allow, more organized social activities will be incorporated into future Summer Meetings.

2016 SDITE Meeting in Nashville: Greg Judy gave an update on the status of planning the SDITE 2016 Annual Meeting to be held in Nashville on April 10-13, 2016. The SDITE Board Meeting will be held at the conference hotel in December 2016 to familiarize the SDITE Board members with Nashville and the planning for the 2016 SDITE Annual Meeting. Greg also stated that key committee members have been identified and that it would be a good idea to incorporate celebration of the TSITE 50th anniversary into the SDITE Annual Meeting. Attendance at the 2015 SDITE Annual Meeting in Biloxi, Mississippi was encouraged.

SDITE Leadership Class: Chris Rhodes announced that an SDITE Leadership Class was underway with the first sessions completed in September and the final sessions to be conducted in October.



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New Business

2014 TSITE Awards: Jason Carder presented TSITE awards to three individuals.

- **Jack B. Humphreys Award** – This recognition is given to a TSITE member who has contributed significantly to the Section or the profession over the past few years. Established in 2002, this award recognizes the achievements of members under the age of 35. The recipient of this award for 2014 was Brad Waldschmidt.
- **Tennessee Section Outstanding Individual Award** – This recognition is given to a TSITE member who has demonstrated outstanding service to the profession and to ITE at the State and District levels. Established in 1975, this award recognizes the recent achievements of members over the past few years. The recipient of this award for 2014 was Nermine Nashed.
- **Ed Watt Volunteer Distinguished Service Award** - This recognition is given to a TSITE member who has contributed both to the advancement of the transportation profession and to ITE at the Section and District levels. Established in 1975, this high award is only presented to an engineer active in the profession for more than 10 years and who has exhibited outstanding service above and beyond the normal duties of his position over a number of years. The recipient of this award for 2014 was Steve Allen.

2015 Officer Installation: The following new officers were inducted:

- President – Mike Conger
- Vice President – Brandon Baxter
- Secretary/Treasurer – Kevin Comstock
- Section Representative – Jonathan Cleghon
- Affiliate Director – Tim Britt

Outgoing Service Award: Mike Conger presented the outgoing service award to John Hunter for his service as TSITE Secretary/Treasurer, Vice President, and President during the past three years.

With no further business to consider, John Hunter adjourned the meeting at 3:12 p.m.