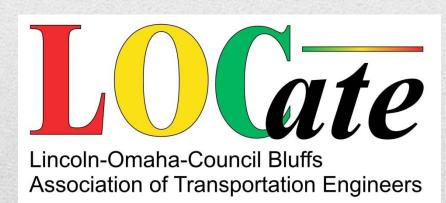
# 2014 Annual Report



February 2014



# **Summary**

The Lincoln-Omaha-Council Bluffs Association of Transportation Engineers (LOCATE), a local chapter of the Missouri Valley section of ITE (MOVITE), is a society of transportation professionals with members from eastern Nebraska and western Iowa. LOCATE includes membership from public and private sector professionals involved in traffic engineering, roadway design, transportation planning, and other transportation specialties.

LOCATE was founded in 2005 to promote transportation engineering within our area and cultivate professional knowledge amongst our members. As in every past year, LOCATE hosted and participated in conferences, meetings, and community functions to accomplish its founding purpose.

Our LOCATE Drive Smart teen driver safety program (formerly called Making a Difference) continues to present to area high schools. We co-sponsored the tenth annual ASCE/LOCATE Transportation Conference with the Nebraska section of ASCE and the 2014 Fall MOVITE Meeting. We also co-hosted an annual joint meeting with the Eastern Nebraska chapter of NSPE. Our activities are listed on our chapter website: <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/locatechapter/">https://sites.google.com/site/locatechapter/</a>

# Membership

The chapter membership continues to hold steady in comparison to the past few years. Maximum participation in chapter meetings is maintained by alternating meeting locations between Lincoln and Omaha/Council Bluffs. In 2014, we had 102 paid and active members, with an additional 54 inactive members.

# Activities

In 2014, LOCATE hosted or co-hosted the following events:

 General Meeting, February 12, 2014, Omaha The first general meeting of the year was held at Johnny's Italian Steakhouse in Omaha. Michael Felschow (MAPA) and Mark Pohlmann (HNTB) presented on the Heartland Connections Regional Transit Vision.



 General Meeting, March 12, 2014, Lincoln Randy Hoskins with the City of Lincoln presented on the safety study of the roundabout at 14<sup>th</sup> Street/Superior Street in Lincoln. The meeting was held at Valentino's in Lincoln.

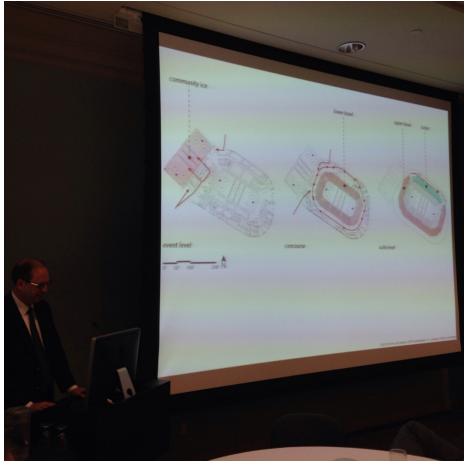


3. ASCE/LOCATE Transportation Conference, April 11, 20014, Omaha The 10<sup>th</sup> annual joint conference was held at Scott Conference Center in Omaha. The conference agenda is included in the Appendix.





- 4. General Meeting, June 18, 2014, Council Bluffs The June general meeting was held at Tish's in Council Bluffs. Greg Reeder (City of Council Bluffs) presented on the railroad influences on the road system of Council Bluffs.
- 5. LOCATE Member Appreciation Breakfast, August 6, 2014, Omaha and Lincoln The first ever LOCATE Member Appreciation Breakfast was held concurrently in Omaha at Paradise Bakery (Regency) and in Lincoln at Scooters (Haymarket). LOCATE bought coffee and assorted pastries for members while the groups socialized.
- 6. MOVITE 2014 Fall Meeting, September 17-19, 2014, Lincoln The MOVITE 2014 Fall Meeting was held in Lincoln with LOCATE as a co-sponsor. LOCATE held it's annual golf outing in conjunction with the MOVITE golf outing that was part of the meeting. The full meeting agenda is included in the Appendix.
- Joint NSPE/LOCATE Meeting, October 21, 2014, Omaha The annual joint NSPE/LOCATE meeting was held at Scott Conference Center in Omaha. John Savage with HDR presented on the design and construction of the UNO Arena.





## 8. Annual Meeting, December 12, 2014, Ashland

The LOCATE year-end annual meeting was held at Parker's Smokehouse in Ashland. State senator Jim Smith who is also the vice-chair of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee spoke on a number of items pertaining to transportation within the State. We also held our business meeting (including election results, year end recap, and 2015 outlook). Raffle prizes were also awarded to 4 lucky members.



Event	Date	Location	Speakers	Торіс	Attendance
February General Meeting	February 12, 2014	Johnny's Italian Steakhouse, Omaha	Michael Felschow, MAPA; Mark Pohlmann, HNTB	Heartland Connections Regional Transit Vision	33
March General Meeting	March 12, 2014	Valentino's, Lincoln	Randy Hoskins, City of Lincoln	14 <sup>th</sup> /Superior Roundabout Safety Review	34
ASCE/LOCATE Transportation Conference	April 11, 2014	Scott Conference Center, Omaha	See Appendix	See Appendix	120 (59 LOCATE)
June General Meeting	June 18, 2014	Tish's, Council Bluffs	Greg Reeder, City of Council Bluffs	Railroad Influences on Council Bluffs	38
LOCATE Member Appreciation Breakfast	August 6, 2014	Paradise Bakery, Omaha; Scooter's, Lincoln	N/A	N/A	14 (10 Omaha; 4 Lincoln)
MOVITE 2014 Fall Meeting	September 17-19, 2014	Hilton Garden Inn, Lincoln	See Appendix	See Appendix	170 (48 LOCATE)
Joint NSPE/LOCATE Meeting	October 21, 2014	Scott Conference Center, Omaha	John Savage, HDR	UNO Arena	53 (29 LOCATE)
Annual Meeting	December 12, 2014	Parker's Smokehouse, Ashland	State Senator Jim Smith	2015 Transportation Outlook for Nebraska	38

The following table summarizes the activities and total attendance for 2014:

# **LOCATE Drive Smart**

LOCATE Drive Smart is an outreach program to educate local area high school students about safe driving. The program began in 2009 as the Making a Difference program and changed its name to LOCATE Drive Smart at the end of 2014. The program was developed in response to a challenge by the MOVITE president to find ways to "make a difference" in their communities. The goal of the program is to discuss safe driving choices with teens that are either beginning to drive or have just begun driving. By introducing these topics to drivers at a young age, we hope to help them form good driving habits and raise their awareness regarding the various consequences associated with poor choices behind the wheel.

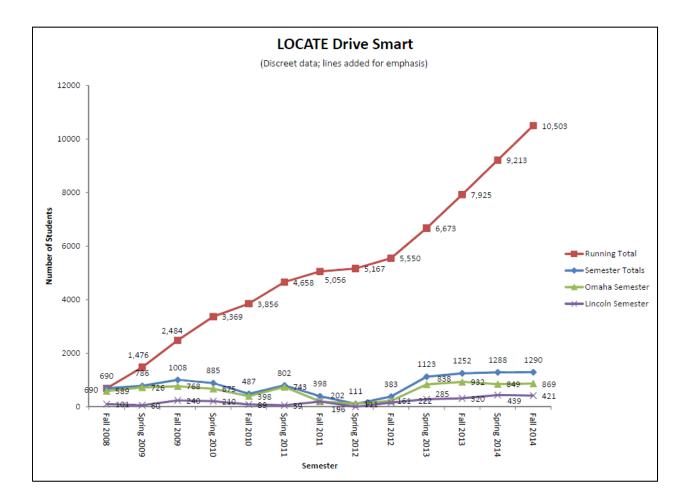
Currently, the program is run and maintained by volunteers within LOCATE. There are two LOCATE members that coordinate with schools and presenters to facilitate the presentation. The Omaha area coordinator is Matt McLaughlin and the Lincoln coordinator is Shane King (beginning in 2015; Mark Lutjeharms served as the Lincoln coordinator previously). Coordinators update the various topics, trends, and other useful tools we communicate in our message to students. The content of the message



is focused on making positive choices behind the wheel with regard to seat belt use, distractions and impairment. Our presentations make use of data, facts, videos and activities to keep the audience's attention. In addition, these things are presented with an engineering "spin" to further distinguish the program from other safety presentation that they may hear.

Through these efforts the program continues to receive a warm reception by teachers, students and administrators. On many occasions, speakers received positive feedback from audience members and teachers, including assurances that their behavior when driving will change as a result of the presentation.

To date, the program has reached over 10,500 students. In 2014, the program was presented to a record number of students, nearly 2,600 students. This can be attributed to the continued updates to the presentation material. In the summer of 2014 the presentation was updated yet again to keep current on safe driving statistics. This update was accomplished through separate working group sessions in Omaha and Lincoln and through work between the Omaha and Lincoln coordinators.





In addition to these efforts, Drive Smart has begun to develop a logo that will be associated with the program. It is anticipated to be unveiled during the 2015 year. Also in 2015, the National Safety Council and offered to bring their mobile driving simulator into classrooms during the Drive Smart presentation.

# Leadership

Elections for our 2015 officers were held in late November of 2014. The positions of Treasurer and Director of Education were up for election. This process was again administered through Elections On-Line, the same vendor used by MOVITE for ITE for their elections. Elections On-Line again proved to be efficient and successful. The 2015 LOCATE Officers include:

PresidentBryan GuyVice PresidentMike ForsbergSecretaryChris RollingTreasurerAdam DenneyAffiliate DirectorLonnie BurklundDirector of EducationDr. Larry RilettPast PresidentAustin Yates

# **Board Activities**

The Board of Directors met three times throughout 2014 to coordinate Chapter activities. The primary discussion items at board meetings were meeting dates, locations and topics. In addition to the meeting schedule for 2014, the board discussed the following items.

- Transportation Engineering Meet and Greet The event was held in September of 2013. It was decided to move to spring of 2015. This decision was made because of the time needed to plan the event and the desire to move the event to the spring based on student feedback from the 2013 event.
- Trainings offered to members The board discussed paying for a selected webinar and offering to members at sites in Omaha and Lincoln. Training possibilities researched included ITE webinars, IMSA trainings and workshops presented by the National Highway Institute. No trainings were offered in 2014 but will continue to be reviewed for possibility in 2015.
- Member appreciation breakfast The board discussed having a breakfast for members paid for by LOCATE. This event was held in August in Omaha and Lincoln simultaneously. LOCATE paid for pastries and coffee for members that participated in the event.



# Finances

The continuing philosophy of the Board is to fully support expenses through meeting income. This strategy has proven effective once again in 2014. Annual dues were used to support the other operations of the Chapter, such as providing free meeting attendance (including meals) for students. To properly account for these things, chapter finances were tracked and reported at each meeting. At the end of 2014, the Chapter's account balance was \$1,397.10. The Chapter's year end balance was slightly up from 2013 year end. The final 2014 Treasurer's Report, listing total expenses, revenues and reserves, is included in the Appendix.

With the 2014 financial information, anticipated future expenses and income were estimated to develop a Chapter budget for 2015. The 2015 Budget was approved by the Board of Directors in early 2015 and is included in the Appendix.



# Appendix

# 2014 Annual Chapter Report

2014 Treasurer's Report 2015 Budget Board Meeting Minutes General Meeting Minutes and Conference Agendas



2014 Treasurer's Report

# **2014 LOCATE TREASURER'S REPORT**

## Date: February 10, 2015

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# **INCOME:**

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5.	Miscellaneous	\$400.00
4.	Corporate Sponsorship	\$0.00
3.	Checking Account Interest	\$0.00
2.	Meetings	\$2,246.00
1.	Dues (100 paid)	\$1,320.00

TOTAL INCOME \$3,966.00

# **EXPENSES**:

1.	Postage	\$0.00
2.	Supplies	\$45.80
3.	Meetings	\$3,493.26
4.	Student Meetings	\$0.00
5.	Miscellaneous (MOVITE Scholarship)	\$201.04
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## TOTAL EXPENSES \$3,740.10

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT	
Beginning of Year Checking Balance	\$1,171.20
Total Income	\$3,966.00
Total Expenses	\$3,740.10
Net Over Period	\$225.90
Checking Balance	\$1,397.10

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Treasurer:

Christopher M. Rolling





2015 Budget

# 2015 LOCATE BUDGET

Date: December 31, 2014

			2014		2015
			To Date Budge		Budget
INCO	ME:				
1.	Dues	\$	1,320.00	\$	1,100.00
2.	Meetings	\$	2,246.00	\$	3,500.00
3.	Checking Account Interest	\$	-	\$	-
4.	Corporate Sponsorship	\$	-	\$	2,700.00
5.	Miscellaneous	\$	400.00	\$	-
	TOTAL INCOME	9	53,966.00		\$7,300.00

# **EXPENSES:**

1.	Postage	\$ -	\$ 10.00
2.	Supplies	\$ 45.80	\$ 100.00
3.	Meetings	\$ 3,493.26	\$ 4,000.00
4.	Student Meetings	\$ -	\$ 500.00
5.	Miscellaneous	\$ 201.04	\$ 500.00
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 53,740.10	\$5,110.00

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Chris Rolling



**Board Meeting Minutes** 



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DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION Anuj Sharma, PhD University of Nebraska-Lincoln 330F Whittier Building Lincoln, NE 68583-0855 402-472-6391 asharma@unl.edu Board Meeting Agenda January 10, 2014 Round the Bend, Ashland

- a. 2013 Annual Report
  - i. Brian reported that the report is pretty much done (waiting on ASCE and HATS conference attendance to see how many were LOCATE members). Austin mentioned possibly having a separate LOCATE sign-in for these events. Brian said it should be easy to look at the sign-in sheets from these events and identify LOCATE members. Brian will get an estimate on number of LOCATE members for these events and finalize the annual report. Annual report is due 4/4/14.
- 2. Secretary

1. VP

- a. Minutes
  - i. Mike took meeting minutes during the board meeting.
- b. Website/2014 Annual Report
  - i. Austin mentioned adding a history section to the website that lists topics and speakers from previous years. This is in response to a request by the UNL student ITE chapter to find meeting topics. Brian said he has a list of all topics from 2013 that could be used to set up the history section. We will attempt to add previous years' topics to the website. This will be the responsibility of the acting Secretary.
  - ii. Brian and Mike will set up a call to go through the website materials.
- 3. Treasurer
  - a. Transfer complete
    - i. Transfer was completed on 1/9/14. Chris should get a new ATM/Visa card this next week.



- b. Old files What to do with them.
  - We learned that U.S. Bank keeps files for 7 years before destroying them. We may consider a similar policy. Austin is going to check with ITE bylaws on retention.
- c. Audit at first meeting
  - i. Austin will put something on the agenda for the first meeting to get volunteers to audit the treasurer documents from 2013.
- 4. MAD
  - a. Matt McLaughlin reported on MAD. Lincoln/Omaha had best semesters last fall. Working to get more volunteers to increase capacity (number of students reached by program limited by number of volunteers). MAD will meet annual goal of 2,500 students at end of spring with numbers similar to the fall.
  - b. Matt reported some new ideas based on input from MAD volunteers to help with the program.
    - i. Find a way to recognize volunteers
    - Develop branding/logo (get away from the LOCATE logo; maybe have the logo on a jacket or something that volunteers can wear when presenting. Volunteers to brainstorm a logo; have individuals make the designs and the committee vote on then (update LOCATE periodically on branding/logo decision)
    - Set up MAD on social media (have students follow on twitter and facebook)
    - iv. Todd Pfitzer and Matt Selinger talked about putting together a video for schools outside Omaha/Lincoln (based on input from Nebraska Public TV)
    - MAD wants to partner with National Safety Council (Sarah Tracy made contact with National Safety Council a number of years ago)
    - vi. Also looking to partner with National Honors Society at local high schools to promote a 'safe driving week'.
- 5. Tax Status
  - a. "Group Exemption"

- i. LOCATE is under ITE group exemption (we have a tax ID);
   ITE will send forms to fill out for group exemption. Austin will follow-up with ITE on getting the appropriate forms.
- b. LOCATE has a TIN
- 6. MOVITE Scholarship Fund We contribute annually.
  - a. LOCATE will contribute \$200 again this year. Chris will coordinate with the appropriate MOVITE person to send a check.
- 7. Student Outreach
  - a. Trip Gen and Parking Data Collection RFP (due Feb 4<sup>th</sup>)
    - UNL student ITE chapter wants to go after project. LOCATE will help with responding to RFP. LOCATE would also help guide them on the project as needed if they win it.
  - b. Field trip railyard?
    - Students would like to participate in a LOCATE meeting where we do something for a site visit (like VALMONT site visit 2 or 3 years ago). LOCATE will think about doing a site visit as a get-together between LOCATE members and students.
  - c. Fundraising
    - i. Previous UNL student ITE chapters had done things like parking studies for the City of Lincoln to raise money. They're looking for ideas for fundraising (data collection studies??).
      Ryan said that the new ITE student president says a current challenge at the University is getting students to gravitate towards transportation.
  - d. Move meet and greet to spring
    - i. The board discussed the benefits of moving the Meet and Greet to the spring to help students meet with professionals during the time of year that they're more likely to be looking for jobs. The board discussed alternating the Meet and Greet event between Omaha and Lincoln to meet with more students. The Meet and Greet wouldn't necessarily have to accompany a general LOCATE meeting. LOCATE will look to have a Meet and Greet event in Omaha in 2014 and go back

to Lincoln in the spring of 2015. Brian will look into availability of scheduling a Meet and Greet even in Omaha this spring.

- 8. Training
  - a. Proposed committee headed by Affiliate Director
    - i. The board discussed LOCATE hosting webinars at a given site; specifically the webinars that cost money (members aren't going to drive somewhere for a free webinar). Lonnie will identify webinars that may be of benefit for members and we might try setting it up in Lincoln and Omaha to see how many members participate.
- 9. Upcoming Calendar
  - a. Meetings/Topics
    - i. LOCATE had 6 meetings last year plus the annual conference.
    - ii. Looking at February 12<sup>th</sup> for the first meeting in 2014.
    - iii. Meeting dates/locations:
      - 1. February meeting Omaha. Brian will work to get speaker and venue identified.
      - 2. March meeting Lincoln.
      - 3. April meeting Omaha (ASCE/LOCATE annual conference).
      - 4. Golf outing in May/June (Omaha?? Hope to get a better turnout than 2013).
      - 5. June meeting CB??
      - August meeting Lincoln (MOVITE fall meeting is in Lincoln in September).
      - October meeting Omaha (NSPE/LOCATE joint meeting) 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in October.
      - 8. December Ashland (end of year meeting).
    - iv. Topics
      - 14<sup>th</sup>/Old Cheney Lonnie said there's not much to report on the 14<sup>th</sup>/Old Cheney design competition.
      - 14<sup>th</sup>/Superior Lonnie said someone at the City of Lincoln could present on the 14<sup>th</sup>/Superior safety review that was recently completed.
      - South Beltway Ryan mentioned maybe having an update on the South Beltway project. Lonnie

mentioned maybe doing two quick 15 minute updates on the 14<sup>th</sup>/Superior and South Beltway projects. Lonnie will check on the feasibility of the City of Lincoln presenting updates on these projects.

- UNO Arena UNO previously did not consent to having HDR present on this topic. Austin or Mike will follow up Matt Selinger on ability to present on this project.
- Metropolitan Travel Improvement Study (MTIS) Mike will follow up with HDR staff on availability to present on MTIS.
- Omaha AA Study Mike will follow up on availability to present on AA study.
- 7. Regional Transit Development Plan (HNTB).
- 8. Regional Bike/Ped Study.
- 9. Cycle Track on N Street in Lincoln.
- 10. MAP-21 Rule-Making Ryan mentioned that the performance measures rule-making would be going on for MAP-21 in the spring and could potentially be a topic later in the year.
- v. Breakfast meeting The board talked about trying a breakfast meeting. NSPE tried this at Scott Conference Center and had good turnout. We could try a coffee roundtable. Rotate b/w Omaha and Lincoln. Could have no set topic and be a "get to know each other" kind of thing. Thinking sometime around 7:30-8:30. The board decided that we will try it once in Omaha and Lincoln and see what we get for attendance.
- vi. Board meetings in April, July, October.
- b. TranspoCon
  - i. Meeting will likely be in April again. Austin asked John Smith about the date and hasn't gotten a response yet.
- c. Golf Outing
  - i. Lincoln had lower attendance last year. Lonnie will check with other professional societies on their successes. We may consider moving back to Omaha and/or back into June.

- d. MOVITE
  - i. Spring meeting Tulsa, OK; 4/2 4/4
  - ii. Fall meeting Lincoln, NE; 9/17 9/19
    - Hilton downtown in Lincoln set for venue. Brian to coordinate with ASCE conference speakers for potential presentations at MOVITE fall conference.
  - iii. MOVITE will have potential for profit sharing with LOCATE from fall meeting.
- Other items: Talked about raising dues to offset higher expenses incurred in 2013. MOVITE dues are \$12 that are distributed by ITE. We will keep dues at \$10 for now and monitor in the future.



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- 1. Nebraska State Director
  - a. Spring MOVITE Tulsa
    - i. Matt Kruse said it was a fun meeting; the meeting was a joint meeting w/ OTEA.
  - b. Fall MOVITE Lincoln
    - i. 9/17 coming up fast; call for abstracts will be out soon.
       LOCATE to help spread the word on call for abstracts. Matt Kruse asked about LOCATE banner. Bryan Guy will bring to meeting for display.
    - ii. Chris Rolling and Matt Kruse are going to MWITE in Rapid City. Jim Jussel from LOCATE is going too.

# 2. MAD

a. AY2013 Final Count
i. Fall '13/spring '14 reached 2,540 students (b/w 1,200 and 1,300 both semesters); great participation by speakers is

reason for success.

- b. Volunteer Recognition/Branding
  - i. Few draft logos still being kicked around; goal to select one by end of summer.
  - ii. 8/7/14 Annual luncheon for program; lessons learned; presentation updates for next year. MOVITE/LOCATE will pay for lunch.
- 3. Treasurer
  - a. Balance
    - i. Over \$1,700 with recent dues received.



- b. Dues remaining to be paid
  - i. 95 paid members; reminder emails were sent out for those attending the June general meeting
- 4. Secretary
  - a. Minutes great turnaround
  - b. Website needs updating
    - Main page References to dates on the home page need to be updated; Austin will check to see if the 2013 annual report linked on the website.
  - c. Annual Report start compiling
- 5. VP
  - a. June Meeting tomorrow 6/18
    - i. Everything ready for meeting.
  - b. September Meeting UNL/Qdoba
    - i. School starts August 25
      - Move meet and greet and meeting to spring next year. The group discussed whether or not to have another meeting in Lincoln yet this year. It was decided to try separate Lincoln/Omaha breakfast meetings w/o a presentation on July 30<sup>th</sup>. LOCATE board will facilitate meetings with a set topic.
- 6. ITE Insurance
  - a. See attached email chain
  - b. MOVITE Experience Matt Kruse?
    - Matt hasn't seen/heard of insurance discussions on the MOVITE level. Location should have enough insurance to cover event. No additional insurance is planned for the Fall MOVITE meeting. No restaurant has ever called for insurance on any meeting. Board doesn't see a need to change; no insurance will be pursued at this time. Matt Kruse to bring up at MOVITE board meeting.
- 7. Student Outreach
  - a. Field trip railyard?
  - b. Piggyback with MOVITE?

- i. MOVITE in Omaha had two field trips (UP, OWH)
  - Hasn't been brought up at fall meeting planning meetings. Level of student participation at fall meeting is unknown.
  - Tour of Arena is schedules for Friday of fall meeting. It would be a 60-90 minute technical tour that students would be invited to. MOVITE fall meeting planning committee is open to other tour ideas during meeting.
- 8. Training Committee
  - a. Lonnie has looked into IMSA/software trainings. Costs are all over the board. National highway institute also has workshops where they provide someone to come present. Lonnie to send out feeler email.
- 9. Upcoming Calendar
  - a. Meetings/Topics
    - i. Remaining Meetings
      - August meeting Lincoln (MOVITE fall meeting is in Lincoln in September).
        - a. July 30<sup>th</sup> breakfast meetings.
      - 2. October 20 meeting Omaha (NSPE joint meeting)
        - a. NSPE to lead meeting this year.
      - 3. December Ashland (end of year meeting).
        - a. Keep at Parker's Smokehouse.
    - ii. Topics
      - 1. 14<sup>th</sup>/Old Cheney
      - 2. South Beltway
        - a. Steve McCullough at Benesch
        - b. Truck O-D study was technical in nature
      - 3. UNO Arena
      - 4. Metropolitan Travel Improvement Study (MTIS)
      - 5. Omaha AA Study
      - 6. Regional Bike/Ped Study.
      - 7. Cycle Track on N Street in Lincoln TranspoCON
      - 8. MAP-21 Rule-Making
    - iii. Breakfast meeting?

- iv. Board meetings in October.
- b. Golf Outing with MOVITE
  - i. Randy Hoskins is organizing. LOCATE could contribute money towards pin prizes (could be \$200 to match previous years).
- 10. Other items



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- 1. Nebraska State Director
  - a. Fall MOVITE Lincoln Recap
  - b. LOCATE might get around \$1000 from MOVITE (excess funds from fall meeting).
- 2. Direction of Education
  - a. Larry Rilett stepping in, put on ballot this year for consistency
- 3. Affiliate Director
  - a. Training Committee Lonnie had a few responses on interest level but nothing overwhelming. Might just pick a topic and allow members to participate in webinar. Maybe pick one from next list of ITE webinars. Host it at a site (or two) and allow for people to call in.

## 4. MAD

- a. New Lincoln Coordinator Shane King
- b. Current Counts 927 for school year; a few presentation left this semester to stay on track for 1,250 per semester. 10,138 students reached thus far.
- c. Re-branding Initiative "LOCATE Drive Smart" will be new branded name. Will take some previously developed MAD logos to make a new logo for Drive Smart. National Safety Council to partner with Drive Smart to bring in mobile driving simulators.
- Next year is 10 years for LOCATE Bryan asked about maybe updating new design of logo for LOCATE. It sounds like this is something we will pursue.
- 5. Treasurer
  - a. Balance \$1,500 (plus money to come from MOVITE as listed in



item 1).

- b. Dues Just over 100 paid members.
- 6. Secretary
  - Website Permissions with some files Add permission for old annual reports to all people.
  - Annual Report started compiling? Annual report is started.
     Inquired about numbers from joint NSPE meeting. Austin will send pictures from NSPE meeting. Bryan will look into sending pictures from MOVITE.
- 7. VP
  - a. Breakfast Meeting something to continue? Maybe try happy hour instead next time based on low turnout of breakfast meeting.
  - b. Annual Meeting format Social gathering versus panel discussion (or other)? Parker's is a good location (half way b/w Lincoln and Omaha). Potentially get political figures? Chair of transportation Nebraska communications committee might be more realistic. Looking at December 5<sup>th</sup> for meeting date. Mike to send out save the date after confirming with Parker's.
  - c. Transportation Meet and Greet Spring semester item. Have the meet and greet event in March. Will need to avoid spring break (22<sup>nd</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup>). Early March would be good (week of the 9<sup>th</sup>). Use same room as last time? Could use space in labs at Whittier or other reception space. Combine with a meeting. Add some cost per company to offset parking and student costs. Cost to companies could go towards a scholarship fund.
- 8. Election
  - a. Treasurer need nominations Austin has one nomination so far (Adam Denney at FHU). Need to send out email to illicit nominations (deadline of the 14<sup>th</sup>). Election open over week of Thanksgiving.
  - b. Director of Education Larry will run unopposed.
- 9. Other items
  - a. LOCATE rebranding discussed above.
  - b. Add a door prize to meetings? Put money towards a scholarship?

General Meeting Minutes and Conference Agendas



### General Meeting Minutes February 12, 2014 Johnny's Italian Steakhouse, Omaha 33 Members Attended

1. Welcome

# 2. Business Meeting

- a. Nebraska State Director Report (Matt Kruse)
  - Matt reminded the group about the upcoming MOVITE spring meeting in Tulsa, OK, April 2-4. Early registration ends Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>.
  - Fall MOVITE meeting will be in Lincoln, NE, Sept. 17-19. The meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in the West Haymarket area. Volunteers to help with planning the event can contact Matt.
- b. MAD Report (Matt McLaughlin)
  - 1. Matt reported that MAD reached out to 1,250 students last year (best year yet).
  - ii. Branding
    - MAD is in the process of developing branding and a logo to be used when presenting and advertising the program.
  - iii. Social Media
    - MAD is looking to be engaged in social media like twitter to reach out to young people.
  - iv. National Honor Society tie-in
    - 1. A tie to National Honor Society would provide a way for teens to be a leader for safe driving.
- c. Treasurer Report (Chris Rolling)
  - i. 2014 Dues
    - Chris is in the process of getting dues invoices emailed. They should be sent out in the next week or
      - SO.
  - ii. Account Balance



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- 1. Balance is just over \$1,000.
- iii. Audit volunteers
  - The 2013 Treasurer's documents will be available at the March meeting to solicit volunteers to audit the books.
- d. Secretary Report (Mike Forsberg)
  - i. Nothing new to report.
- e. VP Report (Bryan Guy)
  - i. Annual Report Draft
    - The LOCATE Board is in the process of reviewing the draft report. Once finalized, it will be available for members to review on the website.
  - ii. Upcoming Events
    - 1. March 12 General Meeting, Lincoln
      - a. The meeting will likely focus on the safety review of 14<sup>th</sup>/Superior in Lincoln.
    - 2. April 11 ASCE/LOCATE Transportation Conference
      - a. Registration information will be sent out soon.
    - 3. April 2-4 Spring MOVITE, Tulsa, OK
    - 4. May/June General Meeting, Omaha
      - a. Austin mentioned that anyone with ideas on topics should contact the Board.
    - 5. May/June LOCATE Golf Outing, Omaha?
- f. President Report (Austin Yates)
  - i. ITE Membership
    - Austin reminded members that are not currently ITE members that they should consider joining ITE. ITE provides members with benefits that some LOCATE members may not be getting because they aren't ITE members.
  - ii. Student Outreach
    - 1. Meet and Greet
      - Feedback from the fall Meet and Greet event held in Lincoln showed that we should move the

event to the Spring. The Board is considering holding the next event at UNO in Omaha and moving the event to spring.

- 2. Field Trip
  - a. The Board is reviewing the option of having a field trip meeting to entice member and student turnout. This would provide students with another opportunity to engage with professionals.
- iii. New Training Committee
  - Lonnie Burklund and Jim Jussel are heading a committee to provide training opportunities to members. This would likely involve organizing webinars in Lincoln and Omaha to bring members together in a central location for education on a given topic.
- 3. Lunch and Speakers
  - a. Heartland Connections Regional Transit Vision Michael Felschow (MAPA) and Mark Pohlmann (HNTB)
- 4. Adjourn



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General Meeting Agenda March 12, 2014 Valentino's, Lincoln 34 Members Attended

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Business Meeting
  - a. Nebraska State Director Report (Matt Kruse)
    - i. Austin Yates gave an update on the Fall MOVITE conference planning.
  - b. MAD Report (Matt McLaughlin)
    - i. PDHs for presenting
      - LOCATE is looking into awarding PDHs to MAD presenters. Tentatively, the thought is that each presenter that presents to 2 classes in a given year would earn 2 PDHs.
    - ii. 8,000 total students
      - 1. Last semester MAD presented to 1,200 students
    - iii. Branding
      - MAD is in the process of develop logos that will be presented to LOCATE for comment
    - iv. Safety Council Award Nominee
      - Matt Selinger is working to prepare a nomination for presenting safety to teenagers at the request of the National Safety Council
  - c. Treasurer Report (Chris Rolling)
    - i. 2014 Dues Invoices Sent
    - ii. Account Balance
      - 1. Approximately \$1,800
    - iii. Audit volunteers
      - 1. Chris asked for a couple volunteers to review the
        - treasurer records from 2013.
  - d. Secretary Report (Mike Forsberg)
    - i. Nothing new to report



- e. VP Report (Bryan Guy)
  - i. Annual Report Submitted, copy available for review
  - ii. Upcoming Events
    - 1. April 2-4 Spring MOVITE, Tulsa, OK
      - a. Early registration is closed
    - 2. April 11 ASCE/LOCATE Transportation Conference
      - a. Early registration closes April 4<sup>th</sup>
    - 3. June General Meeting, Council Bluffs
      - a. Location and Date TBD
    - 4. LOCATE Golf Outing attached to Fall MOVITE
      - a. The LOCATE golf outing will be held in conjunction with the Fall MOVITE golf outing on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>.
- f. President Report (Austin Yates)
  - i. Member Discount for Transportation Conference
    - Austin reported that the price for the conference went up this year but LOCATE members will continue at the previous rates (\$110 per member)
  - ii. Fall MOVITE
    - 1. September 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>
- 3. Lunch and Speaker
  - a. 14<sup>th</sup> & Superior Roundabout Randy Hoskins (City of Lincoln)
- 4. Adjourn

# 2014 ASCE/LOCATE TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE

Scott Conference Center Omaha, Nebraska April 11, 2014





## 2014 ASCE/LOCATE TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE



Friday, April 11, 2014 Scott Conference Center Omaha, Nebraska

# 8:30 am 🔰 Welcome

John Smith, ASCE Transportation Co-Chair, HDR Bryan Guy, LOCATE Vice President, Iteris

### 8:35 am

## Overview of Transportation and Telecommunications and Natural Resources Committees

Sen. Jim Smith, State Senator for District 14

Legislation from 2014. Looking ahead to 2015. Moderator: John Smith, ASCE Transportation Co-Chair, HDR

9:05 am

## Council Bluffs Interstate System Improvement Program

Troy Jerman, Iowa DOT Will Sharp, HDR

The Council Bluffs Interstate System Improvement Program is a major effort that will result in a reconstruction and modernization of the interstate highway system in the Council Bluffs metropolitan area. Iowa DOT is committed to completing the interstate improvements with minimal inconvenience to the public.

This public presentation will provide a detailed summary of the program background and design development that has led to the current and future construction of these important projects. Topics ranging from physical design constraints, regulatory approval, program funding, and project aesthetics will be introduced by a member of the program team. Questions are encouraged during and after the presentation.

Moderator: John Smith, ASCE Transportation Co-Chair, HDR



# 10:15 am Lincoln's N Street Protected Bikeway

Ernie Castillo, City of Lincoln, Urban Development Department Justin Petersen, Olsson Assoicates

An overview of the planning and design process for the implementation of Nebraska's first protected bicycle facility.

Moderator: Randy Hoskins, City of Lincoln

10:45 am Development of Iowa's Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

### Milly Ortiz, Iowa DOT

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Long-Range Plan has three key objectives:

- Align with national best practices, including the federal transportation funding bill called Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) and national guidelines for trail development.
- Develop a list of priorities to expand the trails system between and within cities.
- Help state and local agencies to put the plan in place by providing tools for funding and design.

Moderator: Bryan Guy, LOCATE Vice President, Iteris

# 11:15 am Mesoscopic Modeling 101

Courtney Sokol, HDR Jon Markt, HDR

A beginner-level discussion of an emerging traffic analysis and forecasting tool, mesoscopic modeling. The presentation will define mesoscopic modeling, identify where mesoscopic modeling fits in relation to other resolutions of traffic models, and shed light on the working parts of which a mesoscopic model is composed. The presentation will emphasize illustrations of complex concepts and practical applications of the mesoscopic model.

Moderator: Ticha Rohan, ASCE Transportation Co-Chair, HDR

11:45 am Lunch

# What will they be talking about...

# 12:45 pm

### **Engineering the Future**

Dr. Robert Stevens, 2015 ASCE President

### **Keynote Address**

Moderator: John Smith, ASCE Transportation Co-Chair, HDR

# 1:30 pm

# Lincoln Broadband Improvement Project

### David Young, City of Lincoln

A discussion of Lincoln's city-wide broadband infrastructure project.

Moderator: Randy Hoskins, City of Lincoln



### Mark Traynowicz, NDOR

This presentation will show how bridge research, innovation, and new technology has led to faster construction and longer lasting bridges in Nebraska.

Moderator: Moe Jamshidi, NDOR

### 2:40 pm

42nd and "Q" Street Intersection Improvements

Tim O'Bryan, City of Omaha Todd Pfitzer, City of Omaha

### An overview of the 42nd & "Q" Street Intersection Improvements project.

Moderator: Bryan Guy, LOCATE Vice President, Iteris

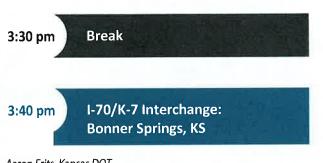
## 3:05 pm

Transportation Systems Research at the Nebraska Transportation Center

### Dr. Laurence Rilett, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

This presentation will provide an overview of transportation systems education and research at the University of Nebraska with a focus on the development of a state of the art Traffic Systems Lab and associated test beds. Challenges and opportunities in transportation systems research will also be presented.

### Moderator: Dr. Aemal Khattak, University of Nebraska-Lincoln



Aaron Frits, Kansas DOT Tim Ross, George Butler Associates

A discussion of the complex design, funding and partnering challenges for a system-to-system interchange in a growing rural environment. Part of the TWORKS program, this interchange is a multi-phase project partnering with three local municipalities and the Kansas Turnpike Authority, with a construction cost of over \$300 million.

Moderator: John Smith, ASCE Transportation Co-Chair, HDR

# 4:25 pm

Railroad Quiet Zone - Improving Waverly's Quality of Life

Mark Lutjeharms, The Schemmer Associates Shane Swope, The Schemmer Associates

This presentation will provide an overview of the requirements for implementing a railroad quiet zone and the specifics of the Waverly Quiet Zone Project.

Moderator: Randy Hoskins, City of Lincoln



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## General Meeting Agenda June 18, 2014 Tish's, Council Bluffs

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Business Meeting
  - a. Nebraska State Director Report (Matt Kruse)
    - i. Fall MOVITE in Lincoln, September 17-19, call for abstracts coming soon
    - ii. MWITE in Rapid City is next week.
    - Mark Pohlmann announced that MOVITE was selected as section of the year by ITE.
  - b. MAD Report (Matt McLaughlin)
    - i. Approx. 2,500 student in AY2013
    - ii. Annual luncheon for volunteers August 7
  - c. Treasurer Report (Chris Rolling)
    - i. Account Balance is just over \$1,800
    - ii. 2014 Dues Almost all are paid (approximately 100 paid members to date)
  - d. Secretary Report (Mike Forsberg) Nothing to report
  - e. VP Report (Bryan Guy)
    - Will try breakfast meeting on July 30 in both Lincoln and Omaha with LOCATE board members in attendance to lead discussions. LOCATE is also planning to pay for certain breakfast items that will be available to members who attend.
    - ii. Joint NSPE Meeting October 20
    - iii. Annual Meeting will continue to be held at Parker's Smokehouse in Ashland in December.
    - iv. The typical fall meeting that LOCATE holds in Lincoln (in September) will be moved to next spring to coincide with a meet and greet event with students. There will be no additional LOCATE meeting in September as a result of the joint fall meeting with MOVITE.
    - v. Bryan also reminded members to make sure to RSVP to



meetings to help the board and restaurants plan accordingly.

- f. President Report (Austin Yates)
  - i. Dues
  - ii. Meet and Greet in Spring 2015
  - iii. Training Suggestions to Lonnie Burklund. Austin solicited members to send ideas on training opportunities to Lonnie.
  - iv. Austin mentioned that members should start thinking about submitting abstracts for the MOVITE fall meeting.
- 3. Lunch and Speaker
  - a. "Railroad Influences on the Road System of Council Bluffs: A Past, Present, and Future Perspective" – Greg Reeder (City of CB)
- 4. Adjourn

# 2014 Fall MOVITE Meeting September 17-19 | Lincoln, Nebraska



# **Schedule**

# Wednesday, September 17

11:30am	8th Annual LOCATE Golf Tournament, Highlands Golf Course, Lincoln 11:30am Lunch (included)   12:30pm Golf
6:00pm	Social Gathering, Hilton Garden Inn Lobby
6:00pm	MOVITE Board Meeting, Olsson Associates Lincoln Office

REBUILDING CONNECTIONS

# Thursday, September 18

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Session 1		Moderator ·	- Matt Kruse
7:30 - 8:15am	Registration and Continental Breakfast		
8:15 - 8:30am	Welcome Matt Kruse, LAC Chairman Danielle Vachal, MOVITE President		
8:30 - 9:00am	Complex Connections: Managing the Kansas Speedway and Surrounding Developments Mandy Anderson, GBA & Jamie Gilbert, gba Systems Integrators		
9:00 - 9:30am	<b>Central and Pythian: A Complete Street Concept</b> Jay Wynn, CJW Transportation Consultants Martin Gugel, City of Springfield		
9:30 - 10:00am	Mini-Roundabouts: An Introduction and Applications in Iowa Justin Campbell & John Witt, Shive-Hattery		
10:00 - 10:30am	Break (visit vendors)		

Session 2	Moderator - Justin Peter	sen
10:30 - 10:50am	MOVITE Research Grant Winner Dr. Michael Williamson, Indiana State University	
10:50 - 11:20am	Covering Your Assets Lonnie Burklund, City of Lincoln	
11:20 - 11:50am	Presentation Secrets of Steve Jobs Steve Ingracia, Olsson Associates	
12:00 - 1:15pm	Lunch & Business Meeting Danielle Vachal, MOVITE President	

Hilton Garden Inn



# 2014 Fall MOVITE Meeting September 17-19 | Lincoln, Nebraska

REBUILDING CONNECTION



# **Schedule**

# Thursday, September 18 (continued)



# Hilton Garden Inn

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Session 3	<b>TRACK A</b> Moderator - Mark Lutjeharms	<b>TRACK B</b> Moderator - Mark Meisinger	
1:45 - 2:15pm	Springfield's Signal Retiming Project: An Integrated Partnership Eric Claussen, City of Springfield	Northeast Kansas Five County Study David Gurss, KDOT Jim Tobaben, Parsons Brinckerhoff	
2:15 - 2:45pm	From PEL to Project: The Planning & Environmental Linkages Process in Colorado Kevin Maddoux, Felsburg Holt & Ullevig	Council Bluffs Interstate System Model Jon Markt, HDR	
2:45 - 3:15pm	Truck OD Study for the Lincoln South Beltway Austin Yates, Alfred Benesch & Company	Envision Sustainability Rating System for Infrastructure Mike McMeekin, Lamp Rynearson	
3:15 - 3:45pm	Break (visit vendors)		

Session 4	Moderator - Randy Hoskins
3:45 - 4:15pm	I-235 Ramp Metering in Des Moines Andy Swisher & Tyler Wiles, HR Green
4:15 - 4:45pm	Federal Gas Tax - A Historical Perspective           Jason Haynes, City of Springfield
4:45 - 5:15pm	Student-Professional Roundtable Discussion
6:00 - 10:00pm	Dinner - Rule G Night Club (3rd Floor), SW corner of 7th Street & R Street, enter on east side of building

# Friday, September 19

# Pinnacle Bank Arena

Session 5		Moderator - Lonnie Burklund
8:00 - 9:00am	Past President's Breakfast	
9:00 - 9:30am	Recruiting and Retaining Talent Dr. Jamie Williams, Associate Athletic Director, UNL	
9:30 - 10:00am	Haymarket History Stacey Hageman, City of Lincoln	
10:00 - 10:30am	West Haymarket Redevelopment Adam Hoebelheinrich & Caleb Swanson, PC Sports	
10:45 - 12:00pm	Pinnacle Bank Arena Tours	
12:00pm	Closing Remarks Matt Kruse, LAC Chairman	



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# Eastern Chapter Meeting Minutes from 10/21/2014

- Upcoming Events:

- November 18, 2014 NeSPE Chapter meeting with new registrants
- December 2014 Joint meeting with NeSPE and IEEE, Date and Location TBD
- January 20, 2015 PEC legislative Luncheon
- February 19, 2015 E-Week Banquet at SAC Museum
- February 22-28, 2015 E-Week
- March 24, 2015 NeSPE Evening Social Gathering, Location TBD
- April 2015 Joint meeting with NeSPE and SAME, Date and Location TBD
- May 27, 2015 NeSPE Awards Banquet

# - Other Notes:

- LOCATE announcements – Austin Yates

Austin promoted an upcoming safe driving event at Waverly high school.

Austin announced the tentative details of the annual meeting to be held at Parker's in Ashland in December.

Austin announced the upcoming officer elections for Treasurer to be held in November.



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DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION Larry Rilett, Ph. D. University of Nebraska-Lincoln 262D Whittier Building Lincoln, NE 68583-0851 402-472-1992 Irilett2@unl.edu Annual Meeting Agenda December 12, 2014 Parker's Smokehouse, Ashland, NE 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM 38 Attendees

1. Election Results

- a. Treasurer Adam Denney was elected as the 2015 Treasurer
- Direction of Education Dr. Larry Rilett was elected as the 2015 Director of Education
- 2. MOVITE Nebraska State Director
  - a. Mark Meisinger taking over from Matt Kruse
    - Mark mentioned that LOCATE will be getting a share of the budget surplus from the Fall 2014 MOVITE Meeting (approximately \$4,000 - \$5,000 for LOCATE).
    - Mark also mentioned that he has a stipend to give at the local level to promote membership. He asked for members to think of good ways to improve membership and get students more involved.
    - iii. The next MOVITE Meeting will be June 28, 2015 July 1, 2015.
- 3. Drive Smart Update (New name for MAD)
  - a. Omaha Matt McLaughlin
    - i. Drive Smart is in the process of developing a logo. Matt asked for anyone to volunteer and graphical design support that they may have.
    - ii. Drive Smart reached 1,290 students in the fall 2014 semester (over 10,000 since inception).
  - b. Lincoln Shane King (new Lincoln coordinator)
- 4. Affiliate Director
  - a. Lonnie mentioned that he's looking at scheduling a webinar for



- 5. Treasurer
  - a. Balance \$1,340 (plus money from MOVITE)
  - Dues Approximately 100 paid members for 2014 (20 people have already paid dues for 2015)
- 6. Secretary
  - a. Annual Report Ongoing; will be available at first meeting in 2015.
- 7. Outgoing President
  - a. Recap
- 8. Incoming President
  - a. Preview Next year will be the 10<sup>th</sup> year for LOCATE. We are looking at developing an updated logo. There will be a board meeting in January. General meeting in Omaha in February. Student meet and greet event with general meeting in Lincoln in March. Joint ASCE/LOCATE conference in Omaha in April.
- Speaker State Senator Jim Smith, Vice-Chair, Transportation and Telecommunications Committee
  - a. Jim spoke about what he think are the key topics that the public will see out of the legislature next year (taxes, corrections, education)
  - b. He touched on the Build Nebraska Act that uses a portion of taxes for highway improvements.
  - c. He listed some of the current/planned roadway projects around the state.
  - d. He also talked about the need to address failing bridges in the state (approximately \$800 million needed to fix/address failing bridges)
- 10. Door Prizes