



2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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Summary

The Nebraska Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (NITE), a section of the Missouri Valley District of ITE (MOVITE), celebrated its first year as a section in 2021. Through the leadership of our president, Garret Menard, the NITE Board continued navigating the process of elevating NITE from a chapter to a section as part of the ONE ITE initiative. Starting in 2021, the LOCATE Chapter became the Nebraska Section of ITE (NITE) with geographic boundaries including the entire state of Nebraska and the Iowa counties of Harrison, Mills, and Pottawattamie. Throughout this transition, the NITE section continued its commitment to providing professional development opportunities for public and private sector transportation professionals in the Nebraska Section Geographic area as well as continued support of the DriveSmart program.

The year was again a challenging year for any organization to conduct meetings and events due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With the continuing pandemic, NITE carried over the practice from 2020 of holding virtual meetings. Following guidance from local health officials NITE was able to resume in-person meetings later in the year.

Membership

Section membership remained almost the same compared to 2020 with 104 paid members in 2021 and 105 in 2020. In 2021 most of the general meetings were held virtually which contributed to higher attendance than in person meetings. Moving forward, NITE will explore conducting hybrid meetings in the future to help increase attendance. In previous years, the LOCATE chapter began alternating location of the Transportation Student Meet & Greet between UNO and UNL to encourage participation of students from both universities. However, these events were not held in 2021 due to the ongoing pandemic. As of December 31, 2021, NITE had a total of 104 paid members.

Activities

The 2021 Section calendar was filled with a variety of technical and social events. NITE held five general meetings (including the annual meeting), and held an outdoor member appreciation event. Additionally, the younger member committee was formed and held their first event as well. The annual NITE/ASCE Nebraska Chapter Transportation conference was held virtually this year due to the pandemic. Section activities and notification of members was done electronically through email as well as the Section's website. Meeting minutes for each of the meetings are available in the **Appendix**. Each of the events is described below, followed by a summary of the meetings in **Table 1**.

- February 2021:** The first general meeting of the year was held virtually on February 24, 2021. The meeting featured Matt Kruse from Lamp Rynearson and Julie Harris from Bike Walk Nebraska (**Figure 1**), who gave a presentation on the Harney Street Bikeway Pilot Project. The presentation covered the various challenges and processes involved in the program. (81 attendees)

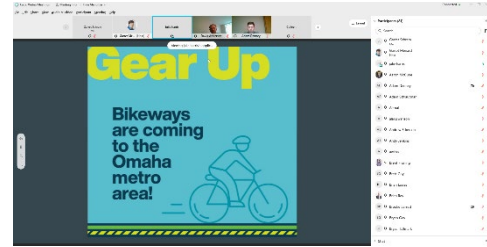


Figure 1 – Julie Harris presenting remotely at the February general meeting

Also presenting at this meeting was Collen Agan from ITE. She gave an update on ITE and shared some information on how to get involved in the national organization.

- March 2021:** The second general meeting was again held virtually on March 31, 2021. John Jorgensen from HGM (**Figure 2**) presented on the Eastern Hills Drive Roundabout Project. The intersection of Eastern Hills Dr and Greenview Rd presented some unique and challenging design and construction opportunities. John presented on those challenges and lessons learned. (72 members in attendance)

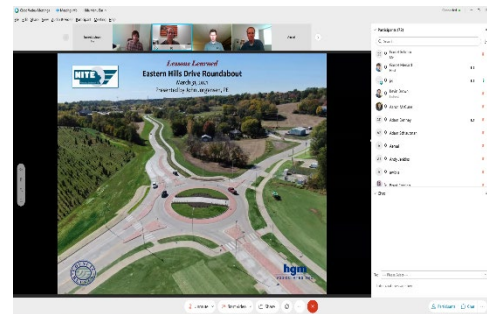


Figure 2 – John Jorgensen presenting on the Eastern Hills Roundabout

- May 2021:** Due to the ongoing pandemic, the annual NITE/ASCE Nebraska Chapter Transportation conference was scheduled to be held virtually over two days on May 28, and June 4, 2021. (**Figure 3**) Several speakers were featured discussing a range of topics from NDOT long range planning, Cities of Omaha and Lincoln signal retiming projects, UNMC and Crossroads redevelopment projects in Omaha. (Attendance 150+ over two days)



Figure 3 – Joe Flaxbeard presents virtually on the Crossroads Development in Omaha

- July 2021:** The NITE Board hosted the seventh annual mini-golf member appreciation event at Boulder Creek in Omaha on July 15, 2021 (**Figure 4**). Members enjoyed snacks and beverages and two rounds of mini golf. (28 members in attendance)



Figure 4 – NITE members enjoying mini golf

- **September 2021:** The September general meeting marked the return to in person meetings for NITE. The meeting was held September 22, 2021 in Lincoln. Thomas Shafer from the City of Lincoln (**Figure 5**) presented an update on the Lincoln on the Move initiative. The presentation covered progress made so far, lessons learned along the way and future plans for Lincoln’s roadways and transportation system.(20 members in attendance)



Figure 5 – Thomas Shafer presenting on Lincoln on the Move at the return to in person meetings

- **October 2021:** The Younger Member Committee held its first event on October 19, 2021 at TopGolf in Omaha. (**Figure 6**). Younger members were able to network and enjoy food and beverages as they enjoyed some casual golf games.(18 members in attendance)



Figure 6 – Younger Members enjoy themselves at Top Golf

- **November 2021:** The Joint NITE/NSPE meeting was held on November 17, 2021 at the Scott Conference Center in Omaha. Mark Meisinger from Felsburg Holt & Ullevig and Jeff Johnston from NDOT presented on the I-76/I-80 Interchange project (**Figure 7**). The presentation discussed the IJR Study, design issues and considerations, and also an overview of construction progress and challenges faced during the process. (48 members in attendance)



Figure 7 – Aerial View of the I-176/I-80 Interchange

- December 2021:** The first ever NITE annual meeting was held in person on December 15, 2021. The meeting included the end-of-year business meeting, a speaker, a look ahead to next year, and some games. The new board member, Kevin Brown, was announced and Garret Menard was honored as the departing Section President. The speaker was new NDOT Director John Selmer. He presented a 2021 year in review and 2022 preview for NDOT including plans for the recently passed federal transportation bill (**Figure 8**). The meeting also featured a game of name that intersection based on a satellite image view. (47 members in attendance).



Figure 8 – Garret Menard and David Andersen conducting the business meeting at Parker’s

Table 1. 2021 NITE Event Summary

Date	Event	Location	Speaker	Topic	Attendance
2/24	February General Meeting	Virtual	Matt Kruse, Julie Harris	Harney St Bike Pilot Project	70
3/31	March General Meeting	Virtual	John Jorgensen, HGM	Eastern Hills Drive Roundabout	72
5/28-6/4	NITE/ASCE Joint Conference	Virtual	Various	Various	100
7/15	Mini-Golf Social Event	Boulder Creek – Omaha, NE	-	-	25
9/22	September General	Nebraska State Bar Association- Lincoln, NE	Thomas Shafer, City of Lincoln	Lincoln on the Move	20
10/19	Younger Member Event	TopGolf- Omaha, NE	-	-	12
11/17	Joint NITE/NSPE Meeting	Scott Conference Center- Omaha, NE	Mark Meisinger, Jeff Johnston	I-76/I-80 Interchange Project	48
12/15	Annual Meeting	Parker’s- Ashland, NE	John Selmer, NDOT	NDOT Update	47

DriveSmart

This project was initiated in 2008 after the MOVITE president challenged local chapters to find ways to “make a difference” in their communities. In response, NITE (formerly LOCATE) developed an outreach program to educate local area high school students regarding safe choices when driving. 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.



At the end of 2015, this program became independent of the LOCATE/NITE organization. However, it is still primarily staffed and run by NITE members and receives sponsorship through NITE. The program is run and maintained by Brian Johnson and Jake Weiss. Brian organizes presentations and volunteers within Lincoln and Jake takes care of Omaha area presentations. Many schools remained shut down in early 2021 resulting in no in person presentations. As schools reopened in the fall the program was able to reach 836 students. Cumulatively since its inception, the DriveSmart Presentation has reached over 28,252 students.

As schools continue to return to in person classes in 2022 the program looks to get back to normal operations. They will continue to partner with the Buckle Up Phone Down campaign from NDOT that began in 2020. This program utilizes a video and virtual presentations that will allow the program to reach students in more areas outside of Lincoln/Omaha. There are also plans to update/refresh the presentation with up to date statistics and more relevant information.

Younger Member Committee

The NITE board, at the direction of ITE and with the goal of increasing participation from younger members, formed the Younger Member Committee. The first meeting was held on August 31, 2021 and was held virtually. During this meeting ideas and goals for the committee were first discussed. Also during this meeting, Tim Adams was assigned to be chair of the committee. Other committee members include Kelsey Heffner, Mark Friend, Lamees Al Ghamari, and David Le. The committee met and planned their first event, a social gathering at Top Golf in Omaha. As this committee continues to get going, the goals are to increase participation among younger members as well as increasing outreach with local university students. The plan moving forward is to hold events in both Omaha and Lincoln as well as getting involved with the student meet and greets as universities return to in person learning.

Board Activities

The Board of Director’s met four times in 2021 to coordinate a variety of things from Section activities to the NITE Section transition as well as getting the younger member committee started. Board meetings were conducted virtually in the interest of safety and convenience. Meeting minutes for each of the meetings are available in the **Appendix**. A summary of the meetings is shown in **Table 2**.

Table 2. 2021 NITE Board Event Summary

Date	Event	Location
January 9, 2021	Kick-off Meeting	Virtual Meeting
May 11, 2021	Board Meeting	Virtual Meeting
August 31, 2021	Younger Member Committee Kick-off	Virtual Meeting
September 6, 2021	Board Meeting	Virtual Meeting

Leadership Transitions

The election for our 2022 Treasurer was held in late November of 2021. Two candidates vied for the position: Kevin Brown and Mark Friend. The candidate bios are included in the **Appendix**. This process was also administered through the election website, OpaVote. Private, electronic ballots were sent out to the membership and all voting was kept confidential. The cost to use the OpaVote voting system was \$10 for this election. Voter turnout was strong, with 53 returned ballots. The results of the 2022 elections are shown below and can be found in the **Appendix**:

Section Board

President	David Andersen
Vice President	Garret Schram
Secretary	Brooke Barrett
Treasurer	Kevin Brown <i>(New Board Member)</i>
Section Representative	Adam Denney
Past President	Garret Menard

Committees

Education	Dr. Aemal Khatttak
DriveSmart – Omaha	Jake Weiss
DriveSmart – Lincoln	Brian Johnson
Website	Kara Kosiski
Younger Member	Tim Adams

Section Transition

The transition from a chapter to a section continued during the early part of 2021. The Board continued working to finalize details such as registering with the Nebraska secretary of state, obtaining 501 3(c) status, opening a new bank account, obtaining a new IRS EIN, and opening a new PayPal account. The completion of these activities was a large milestone in the transition from a chapter to a section.

Finances

In 2021, NITE operated a deficit for the first time in a few years in part due to not helping facilitate a MOVITE meeting this year. NITE was still able to continue its contributions to the following expenditures:

- Sponsorship of DriveSmart
- Contributions to the McCoy Scholarship Fund
- Free lunches for students attending general meetings
- Member Appreciation event
- Expenses related to the NITE website
- Miscellaneous meeting expenses

Annual dues and lunch costs charged to the members primarily covered the expenses related to general meetings and other operations of the Section, such as providing free meeting attendance (including meals) for students. 2021 member dues were \$17. The board again contributed to the existing Pat McCoy Scholarship fund. At the end of 2021, the Section's account balance was \$9301.91. The Board planned to reduce the account balance in 2021 by continuing to partially subsidize lunch fees at general meetings. Additionally, the board agreed on a larger expense for the kickoff of the Younger Member Committee by covering all expenses for the first event in order to help encourage attendance and get the committee off the ground. The final 2021 Treasurer's Report, listing total expenses, revenues, and reserves, is included in the **Appendix**.

With the 2021 financial information, anticipated future expenses and income were estimated to develop a NITE Section budget for 2022. The 2022 budget will be approved by the Board of Direction in early 2022 and is included in the **Appendix**.

Appendix: 2021 Annual Section Report

Contents include:

- General Meeting Agendas
- Summary of DriveSmart
- Board Meeting Agendas & Minutes
- Election Results
- 2021 Actual Income & Expenses
- 2022 Budget

General Meeting Agendas



**NITE General Meeting
February 24, 2021
12:00 – 1:00 PM
WebEx Meeting**

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1. President's Report (Garret Menard)
 - a. New Website: www.nebraskaite.org
 - b. ITE collects dues now
 - c. New e-mail: nebiteseecretary@gmail.com
 - d. New EIN
 - i. With new name registered with a new EIN#
 - ii. 85-4349029
 - e. Committees
 - i. Nominating Committee
 - ii. Tellers Committee
 - iii. Drivesmart Committee
 - iv. Website Committee
 - v. Education Committee
2. Vice President's Report (David Andersen)
 - a. 2020 Annual Report –almost complete
 - b. March General Meeting – TBD
 - c. ITE Virtual Technical Conference – March 23-24
 - i. Early Bird Registration Ends March 1
 - d. Spring MOVITE – Virtual – April 8
 - e. ITE Annual Meeting – Portland, OR – July 18-21
 - f. Fall MOVITE – Missouri – TBD
 - g. ITS Heartland – Overland Park, KS – November 8-10
3. Secretary's Report (Garret Schram)
4. Treasurer's Report (Brooke Barrett)
 - a. Account balance \$10660
 - b. Member dues collected 81
 - c. 2020 Financial Audit – in progress
5. Section Representative (Adam Denney)
 - a. Working with ite to get non profit status and get registered with secretary of state
6. DriveSmart Update (Jake Weiss / Brian Johnson)
7. Education Committee – (Dr. Larry Rilett)



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8. Presentation – Matt Kruse (Lamp Rynearson) and Julie Harris (Bike Walk Nebraska)
 - a. Harney Street Bike Pilot Project
9. BONUS Presentation – Colleen Agan (ITE)
 - a. Benefits of ITE and How to Get Involved



NITE General Meeting

March 31, 2021

12:00 – 1:00 PM

WebEx Meeting

72 attendees

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2. Vice President's Report (David Andersen)
 - a. 2020 Annual Report-**completed**
 - b. Spring MOVITE – Virtual – April 8
 - c. ASCE/NITE Conference – Virtual (Tentative dates below)
 - i. May 28th, 8 AM – Noon
 - ii. June 4th, 8 AM – Noon
 - d. ITE Annual Meeting – VIRTUAL – July 20-29 (Tue. – Thu.)
 - e. Fall MOVITE – Missouri – TBD
 - f. ITS Heartland – Overland Park, KS – November 8-10
3. Secretary's Report (Garret Schram)
 - a. 2020 Financial Audit-**completed**
4. Treasurer's Report (Brooke Barrett)
 - a. Account balance **\$10469.96**
 - b. Member dues collected **86 paid members**
5. Section Representative (Adam Denney)
 - a. **Working through 5013c status**
 - b. **Registered with Nebraska Sec of State**
 - c. **Meeting with local student chapters to help get them going**
 - d. **Looking into funds to get equipment to have partial online meetings in the future**
6. DriveSmart Update (Jake Weiss / Brian Johnson)
 - a. **Still using the video- hoping to get back to in person in fall**
7. Education Committee – (Dr. Larry Rilett)
 - a. Ginn Distinguished Professor and the inaugural Director of the Auburn University Transportation Research Institute
 - b. Dr. Khattak from UNL agreed to serve the remainder of his term
8. Presentation – John Jorgensen (HGM)
 - a. Council Bluffs, IA - Eastern Hills Drive Roundabout Design and Construction



NITE General Meeting

September 22, 2021

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Hruska Conference Room at the Nebraska State Bar
Foundation (635 S. 14th St. Suite 130, Lincoln, NE)

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 - i. Board approved on Sept. 16th
 - ii. REMINDER: www.ite.org to pay dues
 - c. Younger Member Committee formed
 - i. Tim Adams (Chair), Kelsey Heffner, Lamees Al Ghamari, Mark Friend, David Le
 - d. Call for nominations for NITE Treasurer are due by Sept. 24 to Shane King at sking@olsson.com
 - e. Voting for MOVITE Board Director ends Oct. 4th – Adam Denney, Mike Forsberg, Matt Kruse
2. Vice President's Report (David Andersen)
 - a. October 6-8 – MOVITE Meeting (Springfield, MO)
 - b. October 19 – TopGolf (hosted by the Younger Member Committee)
 - c. November 8-10 – ITS Heartland (Overland Park, KS)
 - d. November 17 – Joint NSPE/NITE Meeting (Scott Conference Center, Omaha, NE)
 - e. December 15 – Annual Meeting (Parker's Smokehouse, Ashland, NE)
3. Secretary's Report (Garret Schram)
4. Treasurer's Report (Brooke Barrett)
 - a. Account balance **\$10,900**
 - b. Member dues collected **91 paid**
5. Section Representative (Adam Denney)
6. DriveSmart Update (Jake Weiss / Brian Johnson)
7. Education Committee – (Dr. Aemal Khattak)
8. Presentation – Thomas Shafer (City of Lincoln)
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NITE/NSPE Joint Meeting
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 - e. New MOVITE Board Director is Matt Kruse
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 - a. December 15 – Annual Meeting (Parker's Smokehouse - Ashland)
 - i. John Selmer – NDOT Director
 - b. MOVITE 2022 Spring Meeting – April 20-22 in Overland Park, KS
 - c. ITS Heartland 2022 Annual Meeting – April 25-27 in Lincoln, NE
3. Secretary's Report (Garret Schram)
4. Treasurer's Report (Brooke Barrett)
 - a. Account balance **10390.61**
 - b. Member dues collected **104- 2021** starting to get 2022 sign ups
5. Section Representative (Adam Denney)
 - a. MOVITE Visioning Sessions
 - i. Meetings/Awards/Recognition
 - ii. Student/Younger Members
 - iii. Leadership/Partnerships
 - iv. Serving Membership/Diverse Membership
 - v. Facilitating Sections/Communication
 - vi. Role and Performance of District/Governance
 - b. ITE Website (<https://www.ite.org/>)
6. DriveSmart Update (Jake Weiss / Brian Johnson)
 - a. Upcoming December dates at M West in Omaha
 - b. Starting up in person again in Lincoln
7. Education Committee – (Dr. Aemal Khattak)
 - a. **Setting up meet and greet in the spring**
 - b. Presentation – Jeff Johnston (NDOT), Cameron Craig (NDOT), Mark Meisinger (FHU)Rebuilding the I-80/I-76 Interchange



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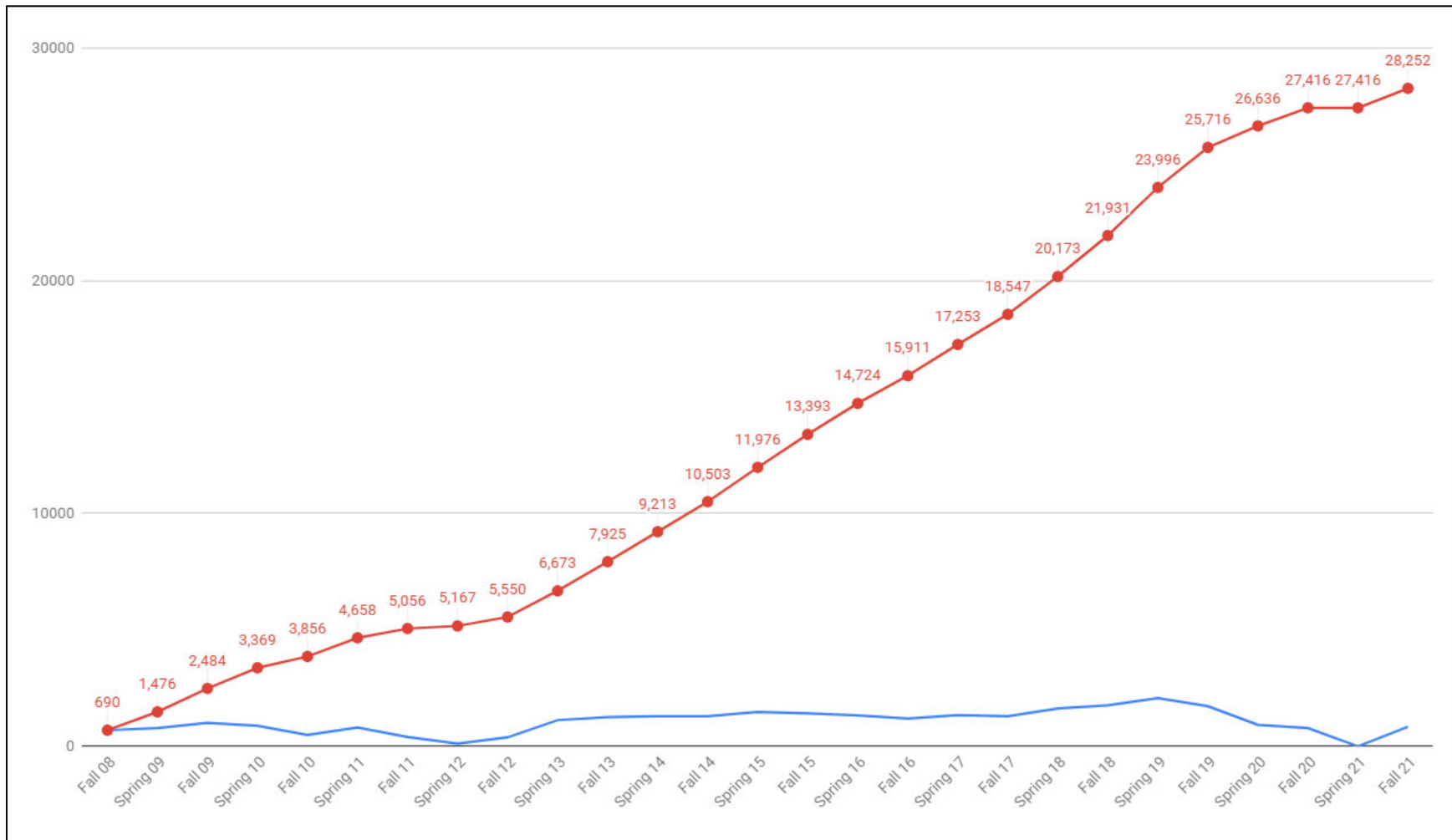
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Figure 1. DriveSmart Running Total



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1. Officers – Duties

- a. Treasurer (Brooke Barrett) – Member dues, all account transactions
- b. Secretary (Garret Schram) – Meeting minutes, all communication with members (information / meetings / election) – [Pictures of in person meetings, screenshots for online meetings for annual report.](#)
- c. Vice President (David Andersen) – Organize meetings (content / location)
- d. President (Garret Menard) – Lead board, maintain schedules and goals
- e. Section Representative (Adam Denney) – Advise board, inform about district events – [Had a recent meeting to discuss new duties for Sections, including taxes, etc. Some of which we have already started on.](#)

2. Committees

- a. Nominating Committee
 - i. Purpose – Nominate one or more qualified candidates for each office that is up for election.
 - ii. Chaired by Past President (Shane King)
 - iii. Appoint other members
 1. David Andersen (Vice President)
- b. Tellers Committee
 - i. Purpose – Review final election ballots and report results to President.
 - ii. Appoint chair
 1. Garret Schram (Secretary) since Secretary deals with OpaVote.
- c. DriveSmart Committee
 - i. Appoint co-chairs
 1. Jake Weiss (Omaha)
 2. Brian Johnson (Lincoln)
- d. Website Committee
 - i. Appoint chair



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1. Kara Kosiski

- e. Education Committee
 - i. Appoint chair
 - 1. Dr. Rilett
 - 2. Dr. Rilett will look into who would be a good representative from UNO
- f. Section President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, except the Nominating Committee.

3. 2020 Wrap-up

- a. Election Results / Process (OpaVote)
- b. 2020 Treasurer Report – Audit at next In-Person meeting – Consider scanning it & creating a PDF document to review or finding people review it in person in the near future.
- c. 2020 Annual Report – Complete by March (David) – Will be reaching out to Board members as necessary for input. Adam Denney to look into any potential required changes for next years report as a Section.
- d. Virtual Meetings – WebEx – Adam Denney will investigate using some of our available funds to find a way to allow virtual attendance to in-person meetings in the future, both for safety and because we are statewide now.

4. 2021 Outlook

- a. New US Bank account and signatory
 - i. Put on account – Garret Menard, David Andersen, Garret Schram, Brooke Barrett
 - ii. Get a new debit card – Brooke Barrett
 - iii. Every year – remove Past President from account and add Treasurer
 - iv. Garret Schram still coordinating with US Bank on this. Will schedule a time for the Board to go in and make the changes.
- b. New EIN
 - i. Garret Menard completed
 - ii. Need to call and see if need to cancel old EIN or if can just not use old EIN anymore. (Garret M.) – Do not need to cancel, will always be associated with LOCATE
 - iii. If need to cancel, need to submit letter. (Garret M.)



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- c. New PayPal or updated account
 - d. Dues – through ITE
 - i. ITE member list is viewed by board members through ITE.org using log-in, “Connect”, “My Profile”, “Participation” tab, under “Section Administrator Reports”, can export to excel. The list is updated instantaneously.
 - ii. ITE granted board members permission to access member list. Each year, will need to have ITE grant access to new Treasurer (by e-mailing Jennifer Childs, jchilds@ite.org)
 - iii. Compare ITE member list with last year’s membership list and come up with a list of members that are not on the ITE member list. (Brooke)
 - e. Each Board Member will reach out independently to initiate the transfer of duties to the
5. New Website – Kara Kosiski working on a few final minor updates
 6. New E-mail
 - a. nitesecretary@gmail.com? – nebitesecretary@gmail.com has been created, nitesecretary@gmail.com was taken.
 7. 2021 Budget (Brooke)
 - a. Make assumptions that no in-person meetings first half of the year
 8. MailChimp – Need to update footers and other details. Investigate including “add to calendar” links in the emails we send out, rather than making people visit the NITE website to get the calendar event.
 9. DriveSmart
 - a. Content
 - b. August kickoff
 - c. Support / Investment
 - d. Will try to start going to reservations once we can start going to schools in person again. Don’t want to start remotely as to make sure our first visits are a success. Already active schools are using a video and PDF for now.
 10. Student Involvement
 - a. Meet & Greet – Remo Conference Service allows conference type meetings. Will need to investigate interest and cost of the service. Will push this to the fall, skip spring this year.
 - b. UNO / UNL class visits



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11. MOVITE

- Scholarship - \$200, Form returned to MOVITE Treasurer – Adam Denney to investigate who to send this to.
- Spring Meeting in Bentonville, AR; April 7-9
- Fall Meeting in Missouri; TBD

12. Meetings

- Free virtual meetings until safe to have in-person meetings
- Make vaccine required for participants? Wait until we know more to make any decisions on this. Initial meetings will probably require masks anyway.
- Keep cost \$10-\$15
 - \$20-30 for non-members?
 - We will put two drop-down menus on the website and it will be two separate transactions for members and non-members.
- February – General Meeting (Omaha?) - Virtual
- March – General Meeting (Council Bluffs?) - Virtual
- April – MOVITE April 7-9
- May – ASCE/NITE Transportation Conference – Dr. Rilett is on the committee and will let us know what is going on with this meeting as information is available.
- June/July – Member Appreciation (Putt-Putt)
- September/October – General Meeting (Lincoln?)
 - Coordinate around MOVITE meeting
- November – Joint NSPE/ LOCATE Meeting (NITE organizes in 2021) (ITS Heartland November 8-10 Overland Park, KS)
- December 10 – Annual Meeting @ Parker’s (Reserved and down payment paid using cancelled meeting in 2020)

13. Meeting Topics / Presenters

- Omaha BRT – Could be a good one for a technical tour / ride. Even have the meeting on the bus as we are riding around – but would need to be after more people are vaccinated.
 - This was on last the agenda for the ASCE/LOCATE joint meeting, so it may be used this year in May.
- South Beltway
- UNMC Expansion – somewhat topical as it is medical related. Todd Pfitzer might know the point of contact and if there is a good presentation. Kara will ask around at Olsson as well.
- Lincoln on the Move projects
- Keep Omaha Moving projects
- Speakers outside the Chapter



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- i. ITE to speak about benefits of ITE and ITE opportunities like the District, Section, Chapter Leadership call on 12/15/20
 - ii. E-mail Colleen Agan (cagan@ite.org) to see who could speak
 - iii. Might not be the entire meeting. Possibly just a small secondary presentation to encourage ITE membership. This makes sense at the first meeting.
- g. Possibly Lincoln Scooters in the fall once they have more data
 - h. Consider a pre-recorded presentation from another chapter / section, after getting permission.
 - i. Some project from Western Nebraska to try to incorporate them within the first year of NITE.
 - j. UNL students go out to North Platte to see the UP switch yard, we could piggy-back with that post-covid.
 - k. Affects of COVID on the transportation system.
 - l. Omaha Riverfront presentation
 - m. David Andersen could present on West Center Road retiming.
 - n. 192nd & Dodge DDI

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1. Bank Account-new account set up old one closed
 - a. Sent info to ITE-completed
 - b. Waiting on payment from ite- approx. \$1400
 - c. Wating on 5013c status- usually takes 6months- we have waited 2 so far
2. Paypal
 - a. Brooke will update with new account # and new email
3. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. ASCE/NITE Meeting (5/28, 6/4)- will get pdf and link for payment put together and sent out this week since it's 2 weeks out
 - b. Putt Putt –decided on putt putt due to cost and experience level required to participate- late july
 - c. Top Golf?
 - d. ITE Annual Meeting (7/20-7/29)
 - e. Sept/Oct General Meeting (Lincoln Topic, possibly in-person)
 - i. Coordinate around MOVITE meeting
 - f. November – Joint NSPE/ NITE Meeting (NITE organizes in 2021) (ITS Heartland November 8-10 Overland Park, KS)
 - g. December 10 – Annual Meeting @ Parker's (Reserved and down payment paid using cancelled meeting in 2020)
4. StarChapter Website- decided against due to cost, will reconsider in the future as membership grows
 - a. ~\$1,000 one-time fee, ~\$1,000 / year
 - b. Everything under one website (PayPal, MailChimp, Roster, OpaVote?)
 - c. Log-In for Members
5. ITE DSC Priorities-see attached doc for specifics on these



NITE Younger Member Committee Kick-Off Meeting

August 31, 2021

9:00 – 10:00 AM

WebEx Meeting

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1. Introductions
 - a. Board – Garret Menard (Prez), David Andersen (VP), Garret Schram (Secretary), Brooke Barrett (Treasurer, not present)
 - b. Committee – Kelsey Heffner (work/live Omaha), Tim Adams (work/live Omaha), Mark Friend (work/live Lincoln), Lamees Al Ghamari (lives in Omaha/works in Lincoln), David Le (not present)
2. Background of ONE ITE
3. Vision of Committee
 - a. 1-2 social events / year
 - b. 1 volunteer event / year
 - c. College outreach? Start up UNL/UNO Student Chapter?
 - d. Professional development, developing your career
 - e. Study materials/resources for PE, PTOE
 - f. Mentorship program
 - g. Events to include students by reaching out to CIVE faculty at UNL/UNO
 - i. Hard to get students involved when not on campus
4. Assign Chair
 - a. Tim Adams volunteered and assigned by Garret Menard
5. Brainstorm Fall Event
 - a. Axe Throwing
 - b. Putt Putt Event
 - c. Drinks (Innerrail / Capital District / Railyard)
 - d. Tailgate for Husker events
 - e. Volunteering
 - i. Keep Omaha Beautiful
 - ii. Habitat for Humanity
 - iii. Girls Inc.
 - iv. Bike Kitchen (Lincoln)
 - v. Roads, Rails, Racecars
 - vi. Adopting a Stream or Bikepath
6. How to incorporate Lincoln and Omaha/CB?
 - a. Hold separate events?
 - b. Alternate locations



i. Lincoln – DT or Haymarket to be close to campus

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7. Budget

- a. Add to budget going forward
- b. \$200-250 for events?
- c. Pay for all or subsidize

8. Existing events

- a. September 22nd
- b. MOVITE October 6-8th
- c. November 17th
- d. December 15th

9. Next Steps

- a. Tim Adams to set up a meeting with the Committee in September to come up with a social and/or volunteer event in Late October.
- b. Garret Menard to check with Brooke and the Board about a budget for this event.



**NITE Board Meeting
September 16, 2021
12:00 – 1:00 PM
WebEx Meeting**

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1. Section Board vote to raise membership annual dues from \$17 to \$20 for 2022. **Passed unanimously**
2. Upcoming Meetings
 - a. September 22 – General Meeting in Lincoln
 - b. October 6-8 – MOVITE Meeting (Springfield, MO)
 - c. October – Younger Member Committee hosted event
 - d. **ITS Heartland Nov 8-10 Overland Park KS**
 - e. November 17 – Joint NSPE/ NITE Meeting in Omaha
 - f. December 15 – Annual Meeting @ Parker's (Reserved and down payment paid using cancelled meeting in 2020)
3. Treasurer Nomination **deadline Sept 24th**
4. Annual Report-**due in spring**
5. 2022 Events – **spring meet and greet in Lincoln?**

Election Results



Kevin Brown, PE

NITE Board Treasurer Nomination

Professional Experience

2016 – Present: Traffic Engineer, HDR Inc., Omaha, NE

2014 – 2016: Assistant Engineer, Kirkham Michael, Omaha, NE

2013 – 2014: Roadway Intern, Nebraska Department of Roads, Lincoln, NE

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science,
Civil Engineering
University of Nebraska-Lincoln
(2014)

REGISTRATIONS

Professional Engineer - Nebraska

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Institute of Transportation
Engineers (ITE)

Missouri Valley Section of the
Institute of Transportation
Engineers (MOVITE)

Nebraska Section of the Institute
of Transportation Engineers
(NITE)

Lincoln Omaha Council Bluffs
Area Transportation Engineers
(LOCATE)

Statement

Thank you for your consideration to serve on the NITE board. I have been an active member of LOCATE / NITE for seven years since graduating college and have found it to be a very inviting group that helps us share our passion for transportation engineering. As a member of the board, I would strive to continue that welcoming atmosphere while we plan what is hopefully our first full year back to in-person meetings.

I would help build the newly formed Younger Member Committee to **establish more engaging networking events outside of our normal meetings**. This could take many forms and I think that using the new committee and developing membership surveys could be the best vehicles to drive these initiatives.

With the growing need for transportation professionals and possibility of an infrastructure bill being passed at the federal level, I want to help **engage with university students** and hopefully inspire the next generation of civil students to become transportation engineers.

Finally, I see the Drive Smart program as an important tool to positively impact our children and communities. As a member of the board, I would work with our coordinators to **reintroduce the Drive Smart program to our area schools**. Because it has been a while since we last presented in schools, I would work with our coordinators to encourage member participation and set up workshops for those interested in presenting for their first time or anyone that is feeling rusty.

Thank you for your consideration!



Mark Friend II, PE

Education

- Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering, University of Nebraska–Lincoln (2016)
- Master of Engineering Management, University of Nebraska–Lincoln (Anticipated 2023)

Professional Membership

- Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE)
- Missouri Valley District – Institute of Transportation Engineers (MOVITE)
- Nebraska Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (NITE)
- Institute of Transportation Engineers, Younger Members Committee Member (August 2021-present)
- Engineer's Club of Lincoln Board Member (July 2021-present)
- ITS Heartland Member

Professional Experience

- Traffic Engineer, JEO Consulting Group, Lincoln, Nebraska (2018-present)
- Transportation Engineer, JEO Consulting Group, Lincoln, Nebraska (2016-2018)
- Traffic Intern, HDR, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska (2015)
- Field Engineer Intern, Mass Electric Construction Company (Subdivision of Kiewit Corp.), Los Angeles, California (2014)

Contact

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Statement

I would appreciate your consideration and vote to serve as treasurer on the 2022 Nebraska ITE board.

Being a member of LOCATE and now NITE has helped me develop as a professional while also enabling me to meet a collection of amazing people, both in Omaha and Lincoln. I recognize that the majority of the existing board is from Omaha, so through my involvement on the board, I will bring a Lincoln perspective and ensure that the rest of the state is considered.

Given that I am currently pursuing my Master of Engineering Management degree at UNL—combined with the fact that I work right across the street from the UNL campus—I can use my on-campus connections and physical employment location to improve our efforts with the student chapter of ITE. I can show them what traffic engineering and transportation are really about, all while building up the student coalition in the process.

NITE is full of exemplary professionals, and it would be an honor to serve among them. Thank you for your consideration to serve as treasurer on the 2022 NITE board.

OpaVote Election Results (<https://www.OpaVote.com/>)

2022 NITE Treasurer

There are 2 candidates competing for 1 seats. The number of voters is 53 and there were 53 valid votes and 0 empty votes.

Counting votes using Plurality/FPTP/SNTV.

Candidate	Count
Kevin Brown	34
Mark Friend	19
Exhausted	0

Winner is Kevin Brown.

2021 Actual Income & Expenses

2021 NITE TREASURER'S REPORT

Date: January 26,2022

2021
To Date

INCOME:

1. Dues (104 paid)	\$1,591.25
2. Meetings	\$1,951.04
3. Corporate Sponsorship	\$0.00
4. Events	\$0.00
5. Miscellaneous	\$300.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,842.29

EXPENSES:

1. Supplies	\$0.00
2. Meetings	\$3,382.59
3. Events	\$395.06
4. Miscellaneous	\$1,229.69
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,007.34

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT

Beginning of Year Total Balance	\$10,466.96
Total Income	\$3,842.29
Total Expenses	\$5,007.34
Net Over Period	(\$1,165.05)
Total Balance *	\$9,301.91

* Includes cash on hand

Treasurer:

Brooke Barrett

Brooke Barrett



2022 Budget

2022 NITE BUDGET

Date: March 1, 2022

2021 To Date	2022 Budget
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INCOME:

	2021 To Date	2022 Budget
1. Dues	\$ 1,591.25	\$ 2,200.00
2. Meetings	\$ 1,951.04	\$ 2,100.00
3. Corporate Sponsorship	\$ -	\$ 500.00
4. Events	\$ -	\$ -
5. Miscellaneous	\$ 300.00	\$ -
TOTAL INCOME	\$3,842.29	\$4,800.00

EXPENSES:

	2021 To Date	2022 Budget
1. Supplies	\$ -	\$ 350.00
2. Meetings	\$ 3,382.59	\$ 5,000.00
3. Events	\$ 395.06	\$ 1,750.00
4. Miscellaneous	\$ 1,229.69	\$ 1,500.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$5,007.34	\$8,600.00

Note: Meeting lunches will be subsidized and set at \$10 to encourage attendance.
\$1,000 added to Events expenses for Young Member Committee events.
Miscellaneous expenses are set to account for potential purchase of equipment to host hybrid (in-person/virtual) events.

Treasurer:



Kevin Brown





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