

Minutes of TRB Committee on Trucking Industry Research (AT060) -
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January 11, 2010
3:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC

Michael Belzer, chair, and Randal Mullett, vice chair

1. Call to Order, Self-Introductions - Distribution of Sign-In Sheet
2. Discussion of January 2009 Meeting Minutes and Action Items – accepted as written
 - a. Research Needs Database discussion
 - i. Pete Swan suggested that if anyone has ideas, they should draft a document to submit to the committee to review
3. Old Business
 - a. Trucking 101
 - i. Steve Burks – There is a draft in the TRB review process (final approval happened at the summer 2009 meeting)
 - ii. Elaine King – As a first step in the process, she read the draft, and believes it was very well done and interesting. It did need some references updated which Steve has done. It should be through the review process in the next several weeks.
4. Elaine King announcements
 - a. Mike and Randy have been asked to serve two additional years, and will start working toward their “exit strategy”/ “succession planning.”
 - b. Mid-Year meeting – flyers regarding joint summer meeting
 - c. Commercial Driver Health and Wellness conference handout
 - d. NATMEC conference handout
 - e. Next TRB Annual Meeting – Jan. 23-27, 2011 – Transportation, Livability, and Economic Development in a Changing World
 - f. NCFRP and HMCRRP have a number of topics, and are accepting panel nominations through Jan. 22, 2010
 - i. Randy encouraged members to participate in project panels
 - g. Feb. 1, 2010 is the deadline for paper publication decisions
 - h. Feb. 15, 2010 is the deadline for committee rotation – need to rotate eight (8) members off. Mid-March TRB will approve the roster and send out appointment invitations via email.
5. Steve Burks announced two synthesis topics MC-22 and MC-23 under the Commercial Truck and Bus Safety Synthesis Program (CTBSSP), and requested cooperation

- a. Will be sending out 15-20 minute surveys for members to complete, and asked for volunteers
6. Presentations – will be posted to the committee web site
 - a. Unintended Environmental Impacts of Logistics Policies in Metropolitan Areas
 - i. Nakul Sathaye
 - b. North American Council for Freight Efficiency
 - i. Jon Gustafson
 - c. ATRI reports on trucking industry operational costs
 - i. Dan Murray
7. Call for Papers – Mike stated that those on the Research Statement Sub-committee should also participate in the Call for Papers
8. Mid-Year Meeting – Mike recommended it be held in conjunction with the TRB summer meeting in Minneapolis, July 11-14.
9. Randy solicited for volunteers / suggestions for new members for the committee.
10. The meeting was adjourned.