

Minutes
Transportation Research Board
Public Transportation Planning and Development Committee Meeting
Committee AP025
January 14, 2009

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by the committee's Chairman Ed Beimborn. Members and friends introduced themselves.

2. The minutes of last year's meetings and the summer meeting were approved.

3. Paper Reviews

Brendon Hemily reported that the committee received 30 papers, similar to the large number of the previous year. Brendon thanked everyone who contributed to the Paper Review process.

9 papers were accepted for presentation at Presentation Sessions, and 6 papers were accepted for presentation at Poster Board Sessions.

4. Transit and Sustainability – Presentations

Presentations were made on the following topics:

- a. Energy, Sustainability, and Transit (Beimborn)
- b. APTA's Sustainability Initiatives (Mollet-APTA)
- c. APTA Transit Sustainability Guidelines Project (Tian Feng-BART, Lead Guidelines Working Group)

5. TRB Activities:

The 2009 theme for the Annual Meeting is *Transportation, Energy and Climate Change*

TRB has introduced a new Webinar series, but the AP0 Public Transportation Group has not used this opportunity much to date.

The AP0 Group is organizing in 2009 conferences on LRT and BRT.

TCRP: Synthesis problem statements are due in March, and main research problem statements are due in June.

5. Report from FTA

Charlie Goodman provided a report on various FTA activities of interest to the Committee. These included:

- Transit at the Table III to get underway

- Transportation Planning Capacity-Building Program (TPCB): www.planning.dot.gov
- Technical Assistance Available to Pre-Alternatives Analysis Multimodal Planning
- Public Transportation Participation Pilot Program:
www.fta.dot.gov/planning/programs/planning_environment_5925.html
- Center for Transit-Oriented Development (CTOD):
www.reconstructingamerica.org/public/show/books
- NTI Course on Joint and Transit-Oriented Development
- Planning Partnerships for Improved Transit Planning: Building Transit's Sustainability Participation
- Private Transit Operator Participation in Transportation Planning:
www.fta.dot.gov/private/
- Emergency Preparedness and Security in Transportation Planning
- FTA Circular 8100.1C: Metropolitan Planning and State Planning and Research Programs

6. Committee Activities

The committee discussed future activities. Possible activities include:

- Call for Papers
- Webinars
- More use of Committee Reflector
- TCRP Research problem Statements
- Organizing a Conference

7. Other Reports / Events

Various committee members reported on pertinent activities

10. The meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.