

# DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Transportation Research Board  
Committee on Library and Information Science for Transportation - ABG40 (LIST)  
Committee Meeting via GotoMeeting

Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 2:00-3:30 EST

Goto Meeting Details:

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Meeting ID: 607-611-505

**Participants:** Ken Winter, Rita Evans, Kendra Levine, Sheila Hatchell, Ann Sweeney, Arlene Mathison, Jennifer Boteler, Sandy Brady, Birgitta Sandstedt, Sandy Tucker

2:00 Welcome, thanks from the Chair (Ken Winter)

What committees can do at Annual Meeting - Sponsor conferences and webinars, networking, responding to specific requests or referrals from TRB, workshops; LIST has co-sponsored international librarian conferences.

How should we prioritize our limited resources for programming?

2:10 Announcements (Open Mic)

2:15 Approve Minutes from January 11, 2010 LIST meeting at TRB Annual

Add Birgitta's last name.

Minutes approved with change.

2:20 Next LIST Meeting: Midyear, in Conjunction with SLA in New Orleans

3:00-6:00, tried to schedule during non-conflict time; trying to arrange for GoTo or other distance access

2:00-3:00, TRT meeting

## 2:25 Programming Ideas for TRB

**This year's spotlight theme: Transportation, Livability, and Economic Development in a Changing World**

TRB participation – papers (LIST typically doesn't do), poster session, conference sessions with speaker to discuss concepts, identify research gaps, workshops (June 1 deadline, so pretty difficult)

June 1 – workshop ideas due

October 1 – session details due to TRB

Make sure topic is well-defined and good speakers are available to attend TRB; funding for travel will be tight.

Our partners tend to be in Research Section – look for co-sponsorships (performance measurement as emphasis)

In the brainstorming session, ideas seemed to fall into two broad topics, 1) Digitizing and Virtual Access to Collections and 2) Keeping Current with TRIS and Other Tools

### 1. Digitizing, virtual access to collections

Rita – Paul Burley and NUTL projects

Sandy – Google Book project and how that works; Ken has been in contact with Google, they might be willing to send rep.;

Ann Sweeney – will be doing session at SLA right before LIST meeting, and Doug Newcomb from SLA will have video presentation from Peter Brantley of Internet Archive regarding Google Books for that session

Rita – case studies, legal issues, funding

Sandy T. – challenge of maintaining and preserving digital resources

Kendra – this would have wide appeal, concern about tech reports which are born digital, state DOTs' concerns; suggest focus on practical aspects

Ken – 508 compliance and accessibility – much confusion at state level about doing right thing – Matt at LA Metro has specific experience with this, and Eileen Boswell also very interested in this issue; pdfs, for example, have to be produced in certain way

Sheila – useful topic for state agencies, need guidance

Ken – in the midst of a mass-migration to born digital; would TRB support producing a guidebook

Sandy – what about NTL and its role as digital repository? Do they have standards or best practices to share? (TRB has issues with open access, they don't make TRRs publicly available)

Kendra – what about Open.gov doctrine? Lots of speakers available in DC

Birgitta – something from user perspective, researcher who has to use this electronic resources, someone from NU?

Sandy T – Open.gov and data repositories, has to be someone at BTS working on this

Kendra – there's subcommittee on performance measurement for HPMS Committee

What's typical half-day workshop consist of? Ken would like to see LIST tackle this again. We have expertise to share.

Jennifer - SLA SciTech – lots of information circulating today on data curation.

Arlene - Mobile platforms, somewhat related to 508 compliance; can publish a video so it works well on web, or mobile? –

Kendra – how to do things with minimal time investment, simple approaches

Kendra – how about poster session on Open.gov (putting your information online where anyone can find it) – could include digitization efforts, appeal to many other committees

## **2. Keeping Current with TRIS and Other tools**

What to include: TRIS, RiP, RNS (international aspect), Publications Index, TRB eNewsletter, TLCat

Sandy T – TRIS training is always a good idea, interface has changed

Kendra – how to use RSS feeds for tracking what's going into TRIS

Birgitta – TRIS and ITRD will be confederated, thesauri will be mapped, should greatly enhance search

RSS feeds, TRB Twitter account, Google News Alerts for following topics (follow alerts from local jurisdictions, some UTCs doing interesting stuff – OTREC and Wisconsin UTC, streetsblog network, professors like David Levinson, Ray LaHood's Fast Lane)

Google Transportation Meta Searches – time to review and update?

Sheila – can we focus on how to save time, make this as easy as possible for people to use the tools

Ken - Would we want to produce workbook? How about website/page – Sandy B., most people won't use right away, need something for people to refer back to; different needs at different times

Possible speakers: TRB's Lisa Marflek, Barbara Post, Ryan Link from Michael Baker, Brian Kennedy with AOCEM (did poster at 2010 AM – focus on public involvement, ways to replace public hearings); any known blogging expert – ITS America blogger, Transportguru

Sandy T – workshop more a training opportunity, how to keep current, where a presentation session is better for conveying information; problem with workshops at TRB is lack on Internet access – any chance we could meet at Keck, or another place with wireless access?

Kendra – keep in mind that while we can show great stuff, what will people actually be able to do when they get back to their job

### **What format – Conference Session, Poster Session Workshop?**

What are next steps? Need to decide whether we want to produce two programs. If so, which type?

Workshop has June 1 deadline for getting on program, although detailed information not required then.

Conference session – should find speakers in D.C. area.

Poster session – Past two LIST sessions very successful, could work again in terms of involving other committees.

Ken – on digitization side, access and preservation – compliance, metadata, technology options; open access and Data.gov, thinking of transparency, if government has data, wouldn't make it available allow creation of new apps – selling point behind VDOT effort was it's the right thing to do to make research results available to the people who have funded it

Jennifer – Data Curation and Collections, suggestion for poster topic (Kendra, Data Section would like to partner, could probably get Steve Smith or someone from BTS to work on it, could help us line up speakers)

#### Action items:

Kendra – volunteered to work on open access; will talk to SLA Academic Division about data curation; will talk to colleague at McGill

Rita – will talk to NUTL re. digitization projects and see if they'd like to participate, if so, will try to define what presentation might involve; will ask Freight Data if any interest in partnering in programming

Ken – will talk Tom Palmerlee about possible cosponsors; will talk to Data Section and see if they're interested in participating in poster session or conference session

Ann – can help, especially after SLA; can contact with Peter Brantley

Sandy T – will talk to Amanda about possible NTL participation

Jennifer – will contact Ryan Link and Brian Kennedy

3:15 Other Agenda Items?

None.

3:30 Adjourn (or earlier)

Adjourned 3:32.