



MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, November 9, 2006
Nissan Technical Center
39001 Sunrise Drive
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48331

Present: 12 Board Members attended along with 3 alternates. (See Attendance Sheet for details)

- **Welcome & Call to Order**
 - President Dick Beaubien called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.
- **Introduction of Board Members & Guests**
- **President's Report**
 - **Newsletter**
 - Next issue to be released after November 9th Quarterly Meeting.
 - **ITS-America State Chapters**
 - ITS Midwest and Heartland Chapters will merge.
 - New Chapter representing: New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont.
 - Investigating expansion of State Chapters into a worldwide organization including Europe and Asia.
 - Best Chapter Contest – applications due in January.
 - Conference Calls & Meetings
 - Regularly scheduled conference calls.
 - Meet in conjunction with:
 - TRB
 - ITS-America Annual Meeting
- **Secretary's Report**
 - **Approval of Minutes**
 - The minutes were unanimously approved.
 - **Membership List Status**
 - An updated list will be developed for the Executive Finance Meeting.
 - Jim Barbaresso heads this committee of: Carmine Palombo, Chuck Moore, Frank Cardimen and Jim Schultz.
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - Steve Fern distributed summaries for the checking, money market and CD accounts.
 - Steve also prepared a report that listed itemized payees for the period 7/1/2006 to 11/8/2006.
 - Steve was voiced concern for our current balance levels but noted that we expect the \$75,000, 3 year grant from MDOT to be received soon. If that grant is delayed, he will need to cash-out the CD prior to its maturity date.
 - Jim Schultz volunteered to assist Steve in preparing a draft budget for consideration at the next Board Meeting.

- **Commercial Vehicle Proving Center**
 - Testbed Project to be funded thru a MEDC sponsored 21st Century Job Fund that will compliment other VII Projects
 - 500 proposals submitted, only 61 selected.
 - Awarded \$6M with match
 - Hope to be under contract by end of November
 - Kick-off meeting for the Advisory Committee is scheduled for January
 - Looking for office location: probably near the VII-C offices in Novi (8 Mile @ Haggerty).
 - Focus: VII commercialization to bring more auto related jobs to Michigan.
 - Need to develop performance measures to gage success.
 - Challenges & Opportunities: to enable a MEDC – MDOT partnership utilizing Jim Epolito and Kirk Steudle.
 - Steve remains committed to making a presentation at the May, ITS-Michigan Annual Meeting.
- **Wireless Communication Seminar**
 - Dan Carrier is chair of this event. He distributed a draft scope for the event and noted that there would be a committee meeting after today's Quarterly Meeting.
 - Discussion highlights:
 - Need to schedule a meeting in West Michigan
 - Possibly use the Conference Center located next to the Brighton Courtyard Marriott to encourage participation from outside Southeast Michigan.
 - Possibly use as March 2007 quarterly meeting.
- **2007 Annual Meeting**
 - Beata Lamparski distributed a memo detailed progress and a draft program.
 - Agreed to provide a draft budget of both incoming and outgoing revenue for event within the next two weeks.
 - Date/Location
 - To be held May 16 and 17th.
 - Coordination meeting with MDOT and VII_C will be held November 14th.
 - At the new Rock Financial Expo Center in Novi.
 - Secured space for up to 40 exhibitors between indoor/outdoor areas.
- **Report on Agreement with MDOT for Support**
 - Carmine Palombo noted that Greg Krueger was now back in town from a number of business trips and was addressing the issue. Jim Schultz would ask Greg Krueger for a date when the funds would be available.

- **2007 National Rural ITS Conference**
 - Suzette Peplinski and Jim Schultz from MDOT are co-chairs.
 - Michigan Venue
 - Grand Traverse Resort in October 2007
 - Coordinate with:
 - Road Weather Management course (NHI?)
 - CLARUS Meeting
 - Trauma – Frontier and Rural Focus
 - CRAM Superintendent Meeting
 - Commercial Vehicle Meeting (now confirmed)
 - ITS America has developed a proposal that outlines the potential roles for: MDOT, ITS-Michigan, Northern Event Planner, and ITS America. It is being reviewed.
 - A first step will be to review the final budget for the Big Sky Conference.
- **Report on 2006 ITS World Congress in London**
 - Peter Sweatman reported that over 300 attendees from USA participated. Good attendance at international events in Europe or Japan insures their attendance at similar events in USA.
 - Held in Docklands Area of London – new business center.
 - Observed that it is equal parts conference and exhibition
 - Good debates – especially on the subject of congestion pricing.
 - Huge Safety Focus: 50% reduction goal for both Europe and Japan.
 - VII is synonymous with Prevent (Europe) which is funded at \$55M and has shown great interest in the naturalistic driving databases developed by both VTTI and UMTRI.
- New Business from Members
 - TARUT Study Update
 - Delayed due to Alatum selling division to Michigan Tech. Contracts are still being revised / transferred and work will continue later in November.
 - Review of ITS Architecture with SEMCOG & MDOT
 - Carmine Palombo reported that work is underway to determine the extent of the updating required, assess adequacy for including things like VII, RWIS etc.
 - Contractor expected to start in the next couple of months (February)
 - Navteq has purchased Mobility Technology/traffic.com.
- Adjournment
 - The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.
 - Next meeting will be the held on Thursday, January 11th at HRC offices in Bloomfield Hills.