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President’s Message

By Neelam Dorman, T.E., ITE Western District President

Hello ITE Western District Members!

I’d like to introduce the Section Representatives on the Western District Board: Renee Whitesell (Alaska), Frank Penry (Bay Area), Nick Carcha (Central California), Tom Mericle (Central Coast), Jennylyn Tapat (Hawaii), Ravi Narayanan (Northern California), Pat Marnell (Oregon), Ronald Chan (Riverside-San Bernardino), Mohammad Amin (San Diego), Josh McNeill (Southern California), and Daniel Lai (Washington). These Representatives will serve on the Board and work with the District Executive Board on items such as the annual operation budgets and policies.

I’d also like to take this opportunity to share some highlights from the Mid-Year Board Meeting.

- Dalene Whitlock accepted re-appointment as District Administrator
- We have two candidates for District Secretary-Treasurer: Pat Marnell and Kimberly Leong
- Section Charters were approved by the Board and will be finalized at the Annual Meeting
- An action item for all sections is to complete their draft Section Bylaws by April 15th for District review with final section adopted Bylaws due to the District by May 31st
- We have selected the locations of future Western District Annual meetings through 2029 (see page 6 for details)

Our Technical Program is on the Annual Meeting website. Thank you to our LAC for all their work. If you haven’t registered please do and book your rooms! The Board is looking forward to a great Annual Meeting! More information on the Annual Meeting is provided on page 2.

‘O kākou ka ‘oi



*What a great SoCal Student Traffic Bowl Judging Panel!
Congratulations to UCLA on their win!*

*OCTEC President (Kristin Tso), Western District President,
and SoCal Section President (Sowmya Chandrasekhar)*

Mid-year Board Meeting Highlights

Joe De La Garza, PE, ITE Western District Secretary-Treasurer

On January 31, 2020, the Western District Board Members met in Orange, CA for the Mid-Year Board Meeting.

President Neelam Dorman recommended not including budget for LeadershipITE this fiscal year as there were no Western District nominations.

Vice President Giancarlo Ganddini detailed the final fiscal year 2018-2019 financial status: income exceeded expenditures and funds were allocated to support District initiatives.

Secretary-Treasurer Joe De La Garza provided the current fiscal year 2019-2020 Financial Report. Final distributions of the split of funds to the new Mountain District was completed. All income, expenditures, assets, and endowment balances are in line with the budget expectations.

Past President Mark Spencer presented information regarding the Individual and Lifetime Achievement Awards.

Junior International Director (ID), Cathy Leong presented the candidates for Secretary-Treasurer. The nomination for ID is Mark Spencer. Also presented was a proposed amendment to the current Bylaws regarding officer nominations in response to the new boundaries of the Western District.

The Senior International Director, Carlos Ortiz, also provided summaries of his recent activities. Key topics included updates on the Budget Committee, Constitutional Amendments, STEM Initiatives, and the Advocacy Standing Committee.

District Administrator Dalene Whitlock updated the Board on the adoption of ITE International's adoption of new model Charters and Bylaws.

Committee updates were given by WesternITE Managing Editor Erica Jensen, Advertising Manager Ryan Zellers, Website Manager Cameron Shew, Technical Chair Amit Kothari, Career Guidance Chair Joshua McNeill, Student Endowment Chair Kimberly Leung, Public Relations Chair Paul Stanis, and LAC Committee Chair Cathy Leong.

Meeting updates were provided by the LAC Chairs for their respective Annual Meeting including 2021 Portland and 2022 Palm Springs.

Section Representatives provided reports from each of the 11 sections regarding activities.

The next Board Meeting will be held at the 2020 Annual Meeting in Honolulu, HI, on Sunday, June 28, 2020.

Annual Meeting Updates - Honolulu, HI, June 28 - July 1

By Cathy Leong, LAC Chairs

The 2020 Joint Western & Mountain District Annual Meeting will be held along Waikiki Beach in Hawaii from June 28-July 1, 2020 at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. We received over 200 abstract submittals and are looking forward to a stellar technical program which is already available on the meeting website. Here are some other highlights from our program:

Keynote Speaker: Gibran Haji-Chikh has more than 22 years of experience in the planning, design, and delivery of transit systems and has recently been working on how disruptive technologies and services (including automated vehicles, Smart City infrastructure, and Mobility as a Service [MaaS] strategies) may affect operations and capital programs.

Workshops: 3 workshops are planned for Sunday, June 28th, that focus of Networking for ITS, Signal Timing, and TSMO Workforce development.

Technical Tours: 2 technical tours are planned during the meeting allowing attendees to explore Honolulu's bike infrastructure or get a look at the City and County of Honolulu's new Joint Traffic Management Center.

Student/YP Program: Events geared for students and young

professionals are scheduled throughout the conference including a dedicated track of sessions on Tuesday!

Family Night: An authentic beach side Hawaiian luau is planned on the Great Lawn at the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Enjoy traditional luau dishes along with entertainment that culminates with a spectacular fire-knife dance.



Awards Banquet: The theme for this year's event is "Bollywood in Paradise" which centers around Hawaii's history as a melting pot. Join us in celebrating the Hawaiian culture of our LAC Chair and the Indian culture of our LAC Vice Chair. Aloha or Bollywood attire is encouraged.

Early registration will only be available until the end of April and our hotel room block is filling up quickly! Sign up for a full registration



and book your room at the conference hotel by May 1st to be eligible for a drawing for a 3-night stay at the Hilton Hawaiian Village (discounted registrations not eligible). More information about the Annual Meeting is available at www.westernite.org/annualmeeting/. We look forward to seeing you all in Hawaii.

'O kākou ka 'oi...Together we are the best!

Western District Officer Elections

The following are the Western District candidates for office for your consideration. All members are encouraged to vote. Regardless of how you vote, please vote and make your voice be heard. Thanks for helping the Western District serve its members efficiently and effectively!

Western District members may vote online; voting opens May 28th and online voting will close June 29th at midnight. If you are a voting member of ITE and have a valid email address on file with ITE Headquarters as of May 1, you should receive an email message with instructions on how to vote electronically. If you do not receive an email notification on June 1, please check your spam filter or contact the District Administrator, Dalene Whitlock at dwhitlock@w-trans.com.

Members wishing to vote by paper ballot can request them from Dalene via phone (707) 542-9500, email, or by regular mail to: Dalene J. Whitlock; c/o W-Trans; 490 Mendocino Avenue, Suite 201; Santa Rosa, CA 95401.

Paper ballot requests must be received no later than June 1 and completed ballots returned to the District Administrator no later than June 19. Completed ballots may also be returned in person at the Annual Business Meeting on June 30.

If you need help voting or have questions, please contact District Administrator Dalene Whitlock.

Candidate for Western District International Director (ID):

Mark Spencer P.E. (F)



It is an honor to be selected as a candidate for International Director to represent the ITE Western District. I am asking ITE members to allow me the privilege of continuing my service to ITE, our members, and our profession. I have been actively involved in the Western District since 1988, recognizing the value that ITE provides as well as the challenges going forward.

I am a Senior Principal with W-Trans, where I serve as Vice President of the Board of Directors and manage our Oakland, CA office. My responsibilities include directing transportation planning projects, business development, and mentoring staff. My professional qualifications will help me serve as our next Western District International Director.

Goals as an International Director: I am familiar with the ITE Board of Direction, its standing committees and subcommittees, and am ready to represent the Western District and serve ITE International for the next three years. I have worked diligently over the past six years as a Western District Board Member to increase engagement with our members, improve collaboration with ITE International and other professional organizations, and have promoted and supported key ITE initiatives. Looking forward, ITE desires to remain the professional organization of choice for all transportation professionals. To do this, ITE will need strong resolve and leadership to grow and evolve into the ITE of the future.

Candidate for President:

Giancarlo Ganddini,
TE, PTP



It has been a privilege to serve the Western District in my current role as Vice President and previous role as Secretary/Treasurer. Our District has faced some substantial changes over the past year. I am fortunate to be surrounded by an incredible group of leaders without whom rising to the occasion would not have been possible. I am grateful to have learned a lot from them and for the opportunity to continue serving as President.

As President, I will ensure our District continues its tradition of innovation and commitment to its members. Recent organizational changes will require that our leadership monitor the newly implemented plans and policies with an open eye for opportunities that return value to both our student and professional members. I hope to leverage Section involvement with the District to promote a collaborative approach to District operations and increase member participation.

I am the Principal/Owner of Ganddini Group, Inc., a transportation and environmental consulting firm based in Orange County, California. My experience as a small business owner has taught me a range of skills and values that complement my leadership role in ITE, such as how to be resourceful, understanding the bigger picture, and the importance of communication in achieving a common goal.

I have previously served as President for the Southern California Section, where I began my ITE journey as member of the UC Irvine Student Chapter Annual Project. As a Section Board member, I initiated a mini-job fair and developed officer transition documentation. I continue to volunteer as a guest speaker at student chapter meetings and resume and interview workshops at the Student Leadership Summit and District Annual Meeting.

I sincerely ask for your continued support and hope to see you at the District Annual Meeting in Hawaii. 'O kakou ka 'oi!

Candidate for Vice-President:

Joe De La Garza, PE



I've been honored to serve as the ITE Western District Secretary-Treasurer for the past year and am thankful to have the opportunity to continue to serve the District as Vice-President. The Western District Board has been dedicated and focused to guide the membership through the transition of the new District boundaries over the past year. As always, The Board is continually engaged in initiatives and operations that promote, foster and guide the members in ITE and I am proud to be a part of that great work. As Vice-President, I will continue to fully embrace our Western District's Strategic Plan and continue to promote the goals as well as bring new ideas to the Board! I am excited to continue to be part of the leadership of ITE and appreciate your vote for Vice-President!

Candidate for Secretary-Treasurer:

Pat Marnell, PE



In so many parts of life we are asked to choose a team. We are business competitors; we represent public or private interests; and we support the red or the blue team. For me ITE is a world where I don't have to pick a side. It is a place where people come together as a community of transportation professionals with the common goal improving that community. That makes ITE a unique organization that I am happy to lend my time and effort to.

In this election you are in a no-lose situation. Whether you elect me or my competitor, you will be electing a dedicated professional. Still I ask for your vote.

I have been involved with ITE since 2005. Being involved with ITE has provided me numerous professional development opportunities, and I cannot imagine my life without ITE. I ask for you vote so that I can give back to the organization that has

given me so much.

I am currently the Past President of the Oregon Section and my term of service is ending this year. Looking back on 15 years of activity with ITE, I am proud of the time I have dedicated to ITE. During my ITE career I have held 10 positions with the Western District, Oregon Section, and OSU Student Chapter. I have competed in two traffic bowls (as a student) and host six traffic bowls (as a professional). Further, I was co-chair of the successful 2018 ITE QUAD Conference in Portland, OR. Last year I was honored to receive the ITE Western District's Young Professional Achievement Award.

I understand that serving on the Western District Executive Committee is no small commitment of time or effort. I am happy to raise my hand for the task. I ask for your vote so that I can continue and increase my service to ITE.

In this first election of the newly redrawn Western District our membership has a choice to make about the representation of the five states in the Western District. The existing Executive Committee consists of four talented professionals from California. I ask for your vote to help better represent all the states of the Western District.

If elected as Secretary/Treasurer I will serve the Western District with the same dedication I have brought to my other ITE activities for the past 15 years.

Please check out my website for more information: <https://marnellp.wixsite.com/voteforpat>

Candidate for Secretary- Treasurer:

Kimberly Leung, PE, TE



I am honored to be nominated by the San Francisco Bay Area Section as a candidate for Secretary-Treasurer, and I would like to thank the District Board for their confidence in my nomination.

I have been involved with ITE since co-founding UC Berkeley's Cal ITE chapter in 2008. I served as Student Chapter President in 2009 and continue to encourage student interest in the profession as the District's Student Funding and Initiatives Committee Chair and as Cal ITE's Professional Liaison. I finished

my term as SF Bay ITE President in 2015, upon which the Section received ITE International's Section Activities Award for the first time. Most recently, I co-chaired the 2019 Western District Annual Meeting, a four-year planning effort that culminated in the first District meeting in Monterey, CA. I am proud to have been recognized for my dedication and contributions to the transportation profession with the following awards:

- ITE International Rising Star Program Award – 2017
- ITE Western District Young Professional Achievement Award – 2017
- SF Bay ITE Professional of the Year – 2017

I have always been passionate about the development and mentorship of the next generation of engineers and planners because of ITE's impact on me as a student. ITE inspired me to start the Cal ITE chapter and solidified my path into the transportation profession. As the District's Student Endowment Fund Chair since 2013, I oversaw the fund as it reached its \$500,000 goal and expanded the Student Initiatives Program with the introduction of Regional Travel Scholarships. Now in my third term, I continue to manage programs to support students and young professionals. Student initiatives will remain one of my priorities as a District officer.

As a public agency member, I understand the challenges and barriers to participating in professional associations. As a District officer, I would like to explore making ITE more accessible through the online streaming of the District Annual Meeting's keynote and technical sessions. My leadership experiences at all levels of ITE provide me the insight to efficiently and equitably use resources to best serve members, particularly those from smaller Sections and the public sector.

I am an Engineer at the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency where I lead a team of engineers and planners. I am grateful that the SFMTA fully supports my long-standing commitment to ITE, and I hope to have your support and the opportunity to serve the District.

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Committee Updates

Career Guidance

By Josh McNeil, PE, TE Committee Chair

We are still accepting nominations for awards to recognize our Young Professionals and those who support them. The Committee is also preparing three sessions at the Annual Meeting: a resume review workshop, a skit-based session addressing various office situations, and helpful tools for the workplace. We hope these sessions will allow our students and young professionals to take away advice for career development and connect with their peers as well as our mentoring members.

District Local Arrangements Committee (LAC)

By Cathy Leong, PE Committee Chair

Planning for the upcoming 2020 Annual Meeting in Honolulu, HI is continuing with the Technical Program completed, registration underway, and the Exhibit Hall more than half filled. The District LAC Committee also continues to assist the local LACs for the 2021 Portland and 2022 Palm Springs meetings. Both of these meetings are expected to be joint meetings.

At the recent Mid-Year Board Meeting, the District Board selected additional future meeting locations (see inset).

The committee will be working with the local chair and leads for these additional meeting locations as well as identifying the potential sites for the 2028 and 2029 meetings.

Future Meetings:

- 2023 Fresno, CA
- 2024 Sacramento, CA
- 2025 Long Beach, CA
- 2026 Seattle, WA
- 2027 San Diego, CA
- 2028 TBD (joint meeting)
- 2029 SF Bay Area

Public Relations Committee

By Paul Stanis, Committee Chair

The role of the Western District’s social media accounts has played an ever-increasing role in promoting ITE, sharing Western District news, and raising awareness of district-wide events. Between 2018 and 2019 subscriptions to the LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter accounts all increased by 10% while postings by Western District leadership nearly doubled. Additionally, the Public Relations committee has finalized a social media plan with StrongArm Communications to review, assess, and improve our social media accounts. By this

summer, the committee will develop an action to implement these recommendations.

Interested in promoting all of the amazing things the Western District showcases? We are always looking for new volunteers to assist with our social media accounts, awards production, and administrative work. Please contact Paul Stanis (paul.stanis@sfmta.com) if interested!

Student Funding & Initiatives Committee (SFIC)

By Kimberly Leung, PE, TE, Committee Chair

The SFIC is tasked with promoting the advancement of the transportation planning and engineering profession by fostering the close association of professionals with civil and transportation planning and engineering students. This committee also oversees and manages the Student Endowment Fund which establishes a self-sustaining funding source for the District’s Student Initiatives.

Each year, over \$12,000, paid from the Endowment Fund, is spent on Student Initiatives. The complete list of award and funding opportunities for student chapters is available at westernite.org/students-education/student-chapter-awards.

The bimonthly Student Endowment Fund spotlights continue to run on the website. You can hear directly from the students about what excites them about ITE and the transportation field and the ways in which the Student Endowment Fund has benefited their student chapters at westernite.org/endowment-fund/endowment-news.

Upcoming deadlines:

- Outstanding Student Award nominations due **April 15th** to JMcNeill@iteris.com
- Outstanding Transportation Educator Award nominations due **April 15th** to JMcNeill@iteris.com
- Mentor Award due **April 15th** to JMcNeill@iteris.com
- Student Regional Travel Scholarship applications due **April 15th** to kimberly.leung@sfmta.com
- James H. Kell proposals due **May 1st** to kimberly.leung@sfmta.com
- Student Traffic Bowl registration by **June 1st** to kimberly.leung@sfmta.com

International Board of Directors (IBOD) Report

by Carlos Ortiz, International Director

The ITE IBOD met in Washington D.C. for our Winter Board Meeting on January 12. Our IBOD meeting was very productive with multiple items covered on both days. We covered the following items:

- **Budget and Finance Committee Report** – Jeff Paniati reported that in October 2019, \$300,000 was allocated to our reserves, putting ITE at 45% of its annual operating budget. We ended up the year with positive outcome due to investment and program performance.
- **Strategic Planning Update** – An overview of our 2020 Strategic Plan was provided. Our Mission Statement, Vision Statement, and Value Statements were approved. We anticipate approval of our 2020 Strategic Plan at our April Board Meeting. The goal is to provide our 2020 Strategic Plan to our membership later this year.
- **Policy Document** – Over the past 15 months, our Policy Committee has been reviewing various ITE policies. The next steps are to publish the draft policies for a 30-day review period. It is anticipated that a final document will be submitted at our Board Meeting in April.
- **Guidelines for Determining Traffic Signal Change and Clearance Intervals** – ITE staff presented background information about the recommended practice to determine yellow change and red clearance intervals for traffic signals. The final Report will be published in early March 2020, and will include webinars, an Annual Meeting presentation, training, and publication of articles in the March ITE Journal.
- **Coordinating Council Update** – an Overview of the restructuring of the Councils was presented, including modernization of the Chair Transition Plan, transition of the employer-based councils, oversight activities, aligning products and a digital collaboration strategy for the Councils and Committees.
- **Annual Meetings** – Our 2020 Annual meeting will be in New Orleans, Louisiana on August 9 – 12, 2020. It will be a Joint Meeting with the Southern District. In 2021, the Annual Meeting will be a joint Meeting with Western District in Portland, Oregon on July 18 - 21.
- **ITE's 90th Anniversary and \$90 for 90 Campaign** – This year is ITE's 90th Anniversary. ITE staff presented activities that are planned for our 90th anniversary. In addition, we will be holding a \$90 for 90 fundraising campaign. The goal is to raise \$90,000 for our Legacy and Scholarship Programs.

MiteY Race Update

Join us in Hawaii on June 28th from 3-5 PM for the next installment of the MiteY Race. This year's MiteY race is presented in conjunction with the 2020 Western District Annual Meeting as a fundraiser for the Richard T. Romer Student Endowment Fund.

The MiteY Race is modeled after the hit television series "The Amazing Race" with teams followed clues and completing challenging but fun tasks. Since our inaugural race in 2010, teams have raced around San Francisco, Santa Barbara, Phoenix, Rapid City, Las Vegas, Albuquerque, San Diego, Keystone, and Monterey last year.

This year's MiteY Race is themed "Hawaii Five-0" and is again being held on the Saturday preceding the Annual Meeting. This year, student and family/friends teams will complete challenging but fun tasks

around the Hilton Hawaiian Village. Registration is open for the upcoming race at <http://westernite.org/endowment-fund/mitey-race-2020/>. Sign up today and stay tuned to our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/TheMiteYRace) for photo clues.



Section and Chapter Updates

Alaska Section

by Heather Estabrook, Past President

November marked a very successful annual scholarship fundraiser Beer and Wine Tasting Event, for the Alaska ITE Section. The event held at the Alaska Zoo raised enough funds to award 5 Scholarships, ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500 for College students in transportation-related professions. We are so thankful for our team of volunteers and sponsors. In December we held Officer Elections and are proud to announce our new Board Member, “Tony” Heng Liang - Secretary/Treasurer. Returning officers include Jared Travis – Vice President, Renee Whitesell – President, and Heather Estabrook – Past President. The Board was sworn in at the January 2020 luncheon meeting. One of our active ITE members, Brad Coy, P.E., PTOE (M) held a “Traffic Engineers for the Day” activity at his local elementary school to run hands-on traffic engineering activities. A full spotlight will be in an upcoming ITE journal.



The hard working volunteers for the Alaska Section Annual Scholarship Fundraiser Beer & Wine Tasting Silent Auction.

Central Coast Section

by Tom Mericle, Section Representative

The Central Coast Section has been enjoying an increase in new member participation over the past few years and we have a great schedule planned this year. We had our annual joint meeting with the Southern California Section in February where Monica Suter from the So Cal Section presented about an “ATP Project that Almost Wasn’t” that interesting and unique. We are looking forward to our annual joint meeting with the California Polytechnic State University Student

Chapter on the Cal Poly campus in April and for our 12th Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser on May 15th at Buenaventura Golf Course in Ventura.

Last year we started an effort to be more engaged with our membership starting out with updating the section website as well as provide ongoing meeting information and monthly postings from the section President. Kathryn Kleinschmidt, the new section President is continuing this effort by ensuring meeting/event information is being put out in a timely manner using multiple communication methods (email blasts, website, and social media posts) and networking with our existing and prospective members.

Lastly, we are beginning the process to help host the Western District Annual Meeting in 2023 in Fresno. We will be meeting with the Central California Section in April and visiting hotels and potential family night venues.

Hawaii Section

by Jasmine Teramae-Kaehuaea, Secretary-Treasurer

We held two section speaker meeting. The first meeting was held on October 30, 2019 with Melissa White who presentation focused on “Going Macro with Micromobility”. Our second meeting was held on February 19, 2020 with Peter Koonce, Division Manager, Signals & Street Lighting Division at City of Portland, OR. Peter’s presentation focused on “Street Design Principles to Advance Vision Zero”.

We had two student outreach events. First, to celebrate National STEM day, the ITE Hawaii Section and WTS hosted a student outreach event at University of Hawaii at Manoa (UHM) on November 9, 2020. The STEM activity called The Mitey Rice Challenge was open to both UH and high school students.

We had a second student outreach event at UHM on February 24, 2020 to help the College of Engineering students prepare for the upcoming career fair. We had a Interview Workshop, which included a brief presentation on dos and don’ts that was followed by speed interviews with local professionals.

Lastly, ITE helped to coordinate a tour of Honolulu’s Joint Traffic Management Center (JTMC), which opened in January 2020. JTMC houses six public agencies from City and County of Honolulu and State of Hawaii focused on public safety and traffic management. There were 19 ITE members that partici-

pated in an exclusive tour of the facility prior to opening.

Our next section meeting will be held on March 25, 2020 with Ed Sniffen, Deputy Direction of Highways at Hawaii Department of Transportation who will present on “Sea Level Rise”.



Hawaii Section STEM activity participants, November 2019.

Riverside San Bernardino Section

by Mahmoud Khodr

Section meetings:

- September 2019: VMT Analysis under SB743: Local and County-wide Perspectives by Steve Smith (SBCTA) and Jason Welday (City of Rancho Cucamonga)
- October 2019: WATCHBOOK by Dave Royer (Instructor at Tech Transfer)
- November 2019: Connected Vehicle SPaT Experience by John Thai (City of Anaheim); joint meeting with SoCal ITE
- January 2020: Cyber-security for traffic signal infrastructure by Joseph Oregon (Cybersecurity Advisor, CISA); 2020 RSBITE Vendor Show

Events:

- December 5, 2109: Holiday Social Mixer with SoCal ITE and OCTEC. RSBITE members got to socialize and network with other transportation professionals in the region.
- March 13, 2020: RSBITE, SoCal & ITE SD Annual Tri-Section Joint Workshop. The workshop presented some of the innovative projects of Southern California
- March 20, 2020: 37th Annual RSBITE Golf Tournament.

Service Projects:

The Riverside/San Bernardino ITE Section participated and made donations to the 2019 Jackets for the Homeless Drive, founded by Zaki and Loretta Mustafa. The Jackets for the Homeless Drive was very successful and provided over 8,650 jackets to those in need.

Student / Young Member Support in 2020:

The Riverside/San Bernardino ITE Section and the ITE Student Chapter from Cal Poly Pomona celebrate another partnership in 2020. The following events provide marketing opportunities and/or financial assistance to the student chapter:

- January 17, 2020 – RSBITE Vendor Show: Cal Poly Pomona students helped RSBITE sell raffle tickets for the show’s prizes and assisted with checking in attendees.
- February 21, 2020 – RSBITE Financial Pledge: RSBITE reviewed the financial plan from Cal Poly Pomona for travel support to the ITE Western District Meeting. RSBITE donated \$1,000 to Cal Poly Pomona.
- May 21, 2020 – Bob Crommelin Student Presentation Awards: This annual meeting will bring alumni, students, professors, and industry professionals together to hear presentations on research studies or design projects conducted in the past year. The winning school teams, First Place, 2nd Place and 3rd Place will receive \$500, \$300 & \$200 Cash Prize respectively.

- June 11, 2020 – RSBITE Business (Dick Barrera Student Scholarship Award). A winner will be awarded the \$1000 scholarship for his/her career goals. This scholarship will be awarded during our end of the year business meeting



Joint Holiday Mixer: Riverside San Bernardino Section, Southern California Section, and OCTEC.

San Diego Section

by Raul Armenta, Secretary

2020 Officers sworn in at the November 14, 2019 San Diego Section Meeting:

- President: Mohammad Amin
- Vice President: Karen Jewel
- Treasurer: Phuong Nguyen
- Secretary: Raul Armenta
- Past President: Teala Cotter

The following award were presented:

- President Teala Cotter was presented with an award for her service for the year.
- Leo Flores is our Young Transportation Professional of the Year
- Minjie Mei was awarded the Transportation Professional of the Year
- VRPA Technologies with the Guidelines for Transportation Impact Studies in the San Diego Region won Technical Paper of the Year
- City of Escondido with the Escondido Creek Bikeway Missing Link Project won Project of the Year
- City of National City Chula Vista was named Public Agency of the Year
- The ITE San Diego board members were recognized for their service for 2019
- The ITE Chair positions were provided Certificates of Appreciation for their service for 2019

Past Meetings/Professional Development Opportunities/Events:

December 15, 2019: The holiday event was in beautiful surroundings at the ballroom in the Hilton Harbor Island hotel. Raffle prizes were given out throughout the evening intermixed



San Diego Section Holiday event

with a wonderful dinner and great music to dance to.

January 9, 2020: Monthly Luncheon at the City of Escondido. Our first meeting to kick off 2020 was attended by 45 ITE supporters and included a presentation by Ali Shahzad and Miriam Jim both from the City of Escondido. The presentation topic was on the "Escondido Creek Bikeway".

February 13, 2020: Monthly Luncheon at the City of El Cajon. Our second meeting of 2020 was well attended with 85 attendees. The luncheon topic was Regulations that Reduce Citywide Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT).

Upcoming Meetings/Professional Development Opportunities/Events:

- March 13, 2020: Joint Workshop and Luncheon with the San Diego and SoCal and San Bernardino Sections at the Plaza de Magdalena, San Juan Capistrano.
- March 19, 2020: Volunteer Social and San Diego State University Aztec Lanes.
- April 9, 2020: Monthly Meeting and SB 743 Workshop and the Sheraton Four Points.
- May 8, 2020: Annual Golf Tournament at the Twin Oaks Golf Course in San Marcos.
- June 4, 2020: Regular Monthly Meeting at the Sheraton Four Points.
- July 11, 2020: Summer Social at Mission Bay.
- September 10, 2020: Vendor Show at the Sheraton Four Points.
- October 8, 2020 Regular Monthly Meeting at SDSU.
- November 12, 2020 Annual Awards at the Sheraton Four Points.
- December, 2020 Annual Holiday Dinner.

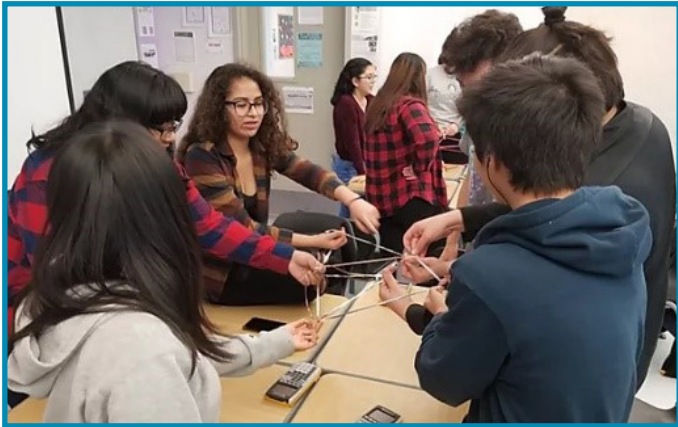
Student Chapter Outreach:

The San Diego ITE Student Chapter has had a successful year. ITE San Diego Section is proud to support the ITE SDSU Student Chapter and actively relays opportunities to the ITE SDSU Student Chapter. In January of this year a two SDSU students represented the ITE student chapter members at the Student Leadership Summit at UCLA. The SDSU student chapter also had two general body meetings and had a joint meeting with the ASCE chapter celebrating back to school with a BBQ. In the November meeting the ITE section awarded one \$1,000 and one \$500 scholarship to two SDSU. In addition on the February 14, 2020 Monthly Luncheon six SDSU students spoke on their experience with the senior design project.

Southern California Section

by Ed Alegre Vice President

The ITE Southern California Section, along with the Orange County Traffic Engineering Council (OCTEC) and Riverside-San Bernardino ITE, hosted its Annual Holiday Mixer in December at the Knott's Berry Farm Hotel. The event was held after the ITS-CA Southern Section workshop and attracted over 100 attendees. The evening included a Casino Night theme, giveaways, and food.



Southern California Section outreach event at East Los Angeles Renaissance Academy.

In November 2019, section member Ruben Hovanesian held an outreach event at the East Los Angeles Renaissance Academy. The Academy is specialized with a focus in urban planning and design. We went to five math classes where the students were learning algebra, geometry, or calculus where we were able to interact with over 160 students.

The ITE SoCal Student Traffic Bowl was held at Cal State University Fullerton in February. The Traffic Bowl included six student chapters: USC, UCLA, UC Irvine, CSU Long Beach, Cal Poly Pomona, and CSU Fullerton. After an intense first round, UCLA, Cal Poly Pomona, and UCI moved to the final round. UCLA emerged as the victor. Congratulations to the UCLA!



2020 Southern California ITE Student Traffic Bowl

Thanks to our judges: ITE Western District President, Neelam Dorman; ITE SoCal President, Sowmya Chandrasekhar; and OCTEC President, Kristen Tso.

Washington Section

By, Jeanne Acutanza, Secretary

ITE Washington has enjoyed a wide variety of quality programs since last fall. October's program, Managing and Monitoring Use of Curb Space, featured José Luis Machado León of the Supply Chain Transportation & Logistics Center at the University of Washington who presented recent research in the area of curb space management. Chris Eaves also spoke about Seattle DOT's experience with weight restrictions at curb space in Pioneer Square and Chris Iverson (City of Bellevue) talked about using new technology to manage curb space use.

In November, ITE members toured the Washington State Department of Transportation Traffic Management Center, followed by a networking happy hour.

Our annual January Safety training was an all-day conference for the second year in a row. In the morning, a variety of safety topics are presented by speakers, and in the afternoon, participants were invited to work together in a charette-style format to formulate an action plan to change the traffic safety culture. Each group was invited to report on their top five actions to change the traffic safety culture.

Our annual ITE/IMSAs conference in February attracts our largest attendance. After changing venues and expanding the event in 2018, this event sold out of all vendor booths. Vendors conduct new product technical seminars, and IMSA members receive Technical Advancement Recognition Program points. The ITE program included presentations on transportation safety, metered roundabouts, setting speed limits, crowdsourcing real-time traffic information, real-time

emergency response dashboard, and human factors in autonomous vehicles. Our lunchtime keynote speaker discussed new strategies for addressing distracted driving. This partnership between ITE/IMSAs allows the event to remain free except for the lunch program, which is an excellent service to IMSA members.

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