

Bios of Candidates:

Executive Board Officers

Cory Hutchinson

Cory Hutchinson is the Director of the Highway Safety Research Group (HSRG) at Louisiana State University. He oversees all IT related projects including business analytics, web site design, electronic crash data collection, data reporting, disaster recovery, graphical information systems, business intelligence, and crash data integration. Cory also teaches undergraduate and graduate Business Intelligence courses at LSU. He has served on the ATSIP board the past 5 years and is currently the first vice president.

Chris Osbourn

Chris has been with the Tennessee Department of Safety and Homeland Security since November 2004. He currently as the Department's TITAN Program Director overseeing the TITAN Program and Tennessee's traffic records management system, Predictive Analytics and Statistical Analysis, FARS, and GIS Services. He has also served as co-chair of the Tennessee Traffic Records Coordinating Committee from 2009-2016. Chris graduated with a Master's degree from Clemson University and a Bachelor's degree from the University of Central Florida.

Juliet Little

Juliet Little is the Traffic Records Coordinator at the Connecticut DOT. She has been with the Department for 28 years and in Highway Safety for over thirteen years. She was instrumental in having Connecticut not only update its crash report and become MMUCC compliant but in the organization of the crash data repository. She is involved in the implementation of the TR Strategic Plan. She has been involved in several TR Assessments and in presentations at TRFs.

Robert (Bob) Scopatz

Bob Scopatz has a Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology from Columbia University. While working on his dissertation, he worked for the New York City Department of Transportation as a data analyst and later as the Director and Acting Assistant Commissioner of the Transportation Information Section. Since leaving New York, Bob has worked as a consultant throughout the US. He is a Senior Transportation Analyst with the Safety practice of VHB, Inc. based in Raleigh, NC.

At-Large Members Class of 2021

Shane Bates

Shane began his 20+ year law enforcement with the Kentucky State Police as a uniform Trooper before rising through the ranks of the agency to that of Major and Chief Information Officer in the Technical Services Division. In that role, he previously oversaw the Intelligence Branch, Electronic Crime Branch, Records Branch, Communications Branch, Computer Technologies Branch and 911 Systems. Shane is retired from Kentucky State Police and now works for LexisNexis.

Patrick Bowman

Patrick Bowman joined the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute as a statistician in 2012, becoming active in the ATSIP in 2014. He builds and analyzes crash

datasets, specializing in data linkage and database development. A Michigan TRCC member, Mr. Bowman consults for the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning and administrates the Michigan Traffic Crash Facts website. He holds an M.S. in biostatistics and a B.S. in biology from Grand Valley State University.

Richard Brown

Richard Brown, PMP has spent over 10 years using his information technology experience to improve State data systems. With VHB, he has served as subject matter expert and task leader for NHTSA and FHWA technical assistance efforts addressing data quality improvements and strategic planning processes. Prior to VHB, he was the project lead for South Carolina's eCrash and eCitation system. Richard holds a B.S. degree in Technology Support and Training Management from USC.

Staci Hoff

Dr. Staci Hoff is the Director of the Washington Traffic Safety Commission's Research and Data Division. The Research and Data Division manages the Washington Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) and provides data and information to the traffic safety community to foster data-driven decision making. Staci has worked to build partnerships and identify unique sources of information for studying the impacts of marijuana legalization on traffic safety. Staci joined the WTSC in 2012.

Karla Houston

Karla began her career working as an event planner and fundraiser, and more recently, she played a vital role in administration, preparedness and response for the State's EMS providers. Her work at the HSRG involves strategic planning, coordinating the activities of the State's TRCC and its committees, and project management. In addition, Karla serves as the Vendor Liaison for ATSIP, recruiting and coordinating with sponsors and exhibitors for the TRF for the last four years.

Timothy Jordan

Timothy Jordan works for the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) as the Custodian of State Crash Records. He manages the Crash Records Section, which is responsible for processing and entering all crash reports completed by law enforcement agencies in the state into the State's ALISS database and the Federal FARS database. Prior to working for ADOT, Timothy spent over 26 years in law enforcement, specializing in traffic accident reconstruction.

Edgar Kraus

Mr. Edgar Kraus, P.E., is a research engineer at the Texas A&M Transportation Institute and has been with TTI since 2001. Mr. Kraus' primary fields of interest are spatial technologies and the development of data architectures and applications in the area of transportation safety, infrastructure management, and right of way and utilities. Mr. Kraus applies his expertise with geographic information systems, data standards, and data management practices on a variety of federal, state, and local projects.

Stacey Manware

Stacey Manware is the Deputy Director of Judicial Court Operations for the State of Connecticut with responsibility over small claims, centralized infractions, and Superior Court Records. She has been instrumental in the development and implementation of an electronic citations initiative which led to a 2012 best practice award from ATSIP. She has also just completed development of electronic adjudication process for state courts. Member of CT TRCC since 2006. JD New England School of Law.

Joe McCarthy

Joe McCarthy is a Project Manager and Systems Engineer with extensive expertise and experience in traffic records, traffic safety, data management, and workshop facilitation. He is currently working actively with three states as Traffic Records Coordinator / Project Manager. He has broad experience in traffic safety across the "5E's" of Safety; Engineering, Enforcement, Education, and EMS (along with "Everything else").

John McDonough

John McDonough is the President of the National Institute for Safety Research (NISR). He has been the principal instructor for NHTSA's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) and Crash Report Sampling System (CRSS) since 2007. In addition to his work with NHTSA, Mr. McDonough has served as a subject matter expert and trainer for FMCSA's Data Quality Improvement Program and the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) in the development of a web-based training resource.

Mehdi Nassirpour

Mehdi Nassirpour is the Manager of Research and Evaluation, Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering at the Illinois Department of Transportation. He received his Ph.D. in Demography/Applied Statistics from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Mehdi's professional work experience includes over 35 years of experience in conducting research and evaluation studies. Over 26 years of his experience has been on transportation safety and traffic records and statistical analyses of highway safety projects and programs.