Passing comments from . . .
the President

I would first like to thank Robert Adams and the Local Arrangements Committee for the fine job they did coordinating the facilities for the Spring Meeting held at the Decatur Holiday Inn on March 12. Vice President Nancy Hudson provided us with an excellent technical program highlighted by a "Forum on Alabama Section and International ITE Membership Requirements." Membership Committee Chairman Paul Weldon and Committee Members Gerald Anderson, Robbie Anderson and Ken Cush presented information gathered from other Sections in the Southern District regarding membership requirements and dues structures, as well as recommended items for considerations.

Please take a few minutes to read the Membership Committee's report beginning on page 4 of this issue of the ALSITE News. Surveys conducted by the Membership Committee have shown that we have a higher percentage of Affiliate Members than most Sections within the Southern District ITE. Also, we do not have an adequate pool of Members from which future Officers can be recruited.

A number of actions have already been taken to address this situation including providing more information to the membership and active recruitment of Affiliates to upgrade their membership status by the Membership Committee. The Board has also begun to actively involve the Membership Committee in the review of Affiliate Membership applications.

This issue of ALSITE News includes an official notice to voting Members regarding a proposed Bylaws amendment. These items will be placed before the Members at the 1992 Annual Meeting for appropriate action. The purpose of these measures is to strengthen and clarify the membership application process and to encourage Affiliate Members who qualify for but are not Members of International and Southern District ITE to upgrade their membership. The ultimate objective is a stronger and more committed Alabama Section.

I want to encourage each Member and Affiliate to become more actively involved in ALSITE. We need to continue to encourage the membership to seek the highest level of applicable membership grade.

The ALSITE membership unanimously adopted a resolution in its Business Meeting on March 12th to encourage and support a substantial increase in roadway funding within this State. An original copy of the resolution drafted by the ALSITE Legislature Committee was hand-delivered to the 140 Members of the State of Alabama Legislature. The resolutions called upon Members of the Legislature to enact and adopt House Bill Nos. 665, 666, 667, 668 and 669.

The Southern District Annual Meeting in Columbia, South Carolina, on April 26th-29th, was a great meeting for the Alabama Section. We were recognized (Please see President, page 2)
FINANCIAL REPORT
Treasury balance on January 1, 1992.............................. $4,054.19

Receipts since January 1, 1992
Dues payments (58 @ $6.00).......................... $348.00
Professional Services Directory ...................... 1,257.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS ................................... $1,623.00

Expenditures since January 1, 1992
Inverness Office Supply .................................. $14.73
Gorove/Slade (Printing Annual Report) ............... 45.33
Waller Business (Mastheads) ......................... 202.46
U.S. Postal (Mailout Spring Meeting) ............. 72.50
JECCA (Annual Dues) ................................ 100.00
Waller Business Forms (Newsletter Spring '92) ...... 323.30
Vulcan Inc. (Mailout Newsletter Spring '92) ........ 139.88
TOTAL EXPENDITURES ................................ $898.20

Treasury balance on October 17, 1991 ....................... $4,778.99

MEMBERSHIP REPORT
Membership on June 14, 1991 Deceased
Members 66 Members 0
Affiliates 189 Affiliates 0
Retired Member 2 Retired Member 0
Totals 257 Totals 0

Admission and Reinstatements Resignations and Expulsions
Members 1 Members 0
Affiliates 12 Affiliates 0
Retired Member 0 Retired Member 0
Totals 13 Totals 0

Conditional Reinstatements Transfers
Members 0 Members 0
Affiliates 0 Affiliates 0
Retired Member 0 Retired Member 0
Totals 0 Totals 0

President (continued from page 1)
as the "Outstanding Section" in the Southern District for 1991. This award, which was the Section's second in a row, is presented to the Section which does the most to advance the transportation engineering profession in the past year. Bob Vecello received the prestigious "Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award". This award is presented to a District Member who, over a period of years, has contributed significantly to the advancement of transportation engineering and the Southern District Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Dan Turner was elected 1993 Vice President of the Southern District against a "worthy opponent". The Alabama Section was well represented at the Southern District Meeting, with approximately twenty-five persons attending from Alabama. Many of our members have a very active role in the District.

The plans for our 20th Annual Meeting have been finalized. As always, Gary Dennis and his committee have planned an outstanding social program and Vice President Nancy Hudson has organized an excellent technical program with a wide variety of topics. I hope to see each of you in Gulf Shores on June 11th - 12th.

Jim

Alabama Section ITE 20th Annual Meeting

The Alabama Section ITE Annual Meeting will be at the Quality Inn-Beachside in Gulf Shores on June 11-12, 1992. The agenda is as follows:

Thursday, June 11

REGISTRATION
8:00 - 11:00 ........................................ Registration
9:00 - 9:30 .............................................. Coffee

TECHNICAL SESSION I
9:30 ......................................................... Welcome
9:45 - 10:30 ........................................ "How To Make The Mayor Believe You"
Dr. Dan Turner, P.E. - University of Alabama
10:30 - 11:15 .......................................... "Traffic Safety - Science or Superstition?"
Dr. David Brown
University of Alabama
11:15 - 12:00 ....................................... "State Safety Coordinating Committee"
Robert L. Liggett
Executive Director

LUNCH
12:00 - 1:30 ........................................... On Your Own

TECHNICAL SESSION II
1:30 - 2:15 ........................................... "IVHS in Europe"
Joseph M. Thomas, Jr., P.E.
Saratec Traffic - Cairo, Georgia
2:15 - 2:30 .............................................. Break
2:30 - 3:15 ............................................ "Countermeasures For Sign Vandalism"
Dr. Brian L. Bowman & Dr. Robert L. Vecello
Department of Civil Engineering - Auburn University
3:15 - 4:00 ........................................ "Interchange Development: City/State/Private Partnership"
Darrell C. Meyer
Dept. of Community Planning - Auburn University

ANNUAL BANQUET/FELLOWSHIP/SCHOLARSHIP AUCTION
6:00 - 6:30 ............................................. Fellowship
Sponsored by the Business and Consulting Groups
6:30 - 7:30 ............................................. Annual Banquet
7:30 - 8:00 ........................................... Tribute to Alabama's T² Program
8:00 - 10:00 ....................................... Scholarship Auction and Fellowship
Sponsored by the Business and Consulting Groups

Friday, June 12

8:00 - 9:15 ........................................... Breakfast
Keynote Speaker: Perry Hand, Director
Alabama Highway Department

9:15 - 10:00 ........................................... Annual Business Meeting

TECHNICAL SESSION III
10:00 - 10:45 .................................. "Challenging Ourselves For The Year 2000"
Marsha D. Anderson
President, Street Smarts - Duluth, Georgia
Dr. "V" . . . Honored

Each year the Southern District Special Awards Committee considers distinguished "candidates" for the District's two major individual awards. If in the judgement of the Committee an individual is worthy, it may confer a single award upon a particular Member.

During the District's Annual Banquet in Columbia, SC on April 28th, it was announced that Bob Vecellio of the Alabama Section was the 1991 recipient of the "Herman J. Hoose Distinguished Service Award".

This award was established in 1972 at the Southern Sections's Annual Meeting in Memphis. It is presented to a Member of the District who has unselfishly and unselfishly contributed in an outstanding manner to his profession and his professional organization during his career.

Additionally, the recipient must be an individual who by his personal integrity, leadership, and example will aspire fellow professionals to greater service.

The Award is named for Herman J. Hoose, a Founding Member and Past President of the Southern Section, and is the highest honor the District can bestow on a Member.

"Candidate" evaluations for this Award include such personal traits as integrity, morality and leadership; individual accomplishments such as transportation engineering innovations, technical research and paper writing; and must include organizational service such as District Annual Meeting participation and District Committee Activities. The recipient must have actively participated in the District's activities for a minimum of 15 years.

Well done Bob! War Eagle!!!

Study of Future of Scholarship Program

The Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship has been extremely successful. Since 1986, the Alabama Section has awarded five scholarships of $1,000 to $1,500 each and has accumulated $32,808 in an endowment fund at the International ITE Office. The Section continues to raise money through several methods to increase the endowment. In 1991, a total of $12,897 was raised:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Type of Fund</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Individual gifts</td>
<td>$3,067</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Corporate gifts</td>
<td>2,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Interest on Endowment</td>
<td>1,806</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section auction</td>
<td>$3,609</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Southern District ITE</td>
<td>1,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meeting surcharge</td>
<td>1,415</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

This has been a very positive activity for the Section. Much favorable publicity has been generated around the nation, and we are often cited as an example of the best way to create scholarships.

The Board of Directors has been concerned about the size of the endowment, and felt that new goals and a stronger form of management might be needed. An Ad Hoc Committee was asked to look at the issues. The Committee reported at the Spring Meeting in Decatur. Of those present at the meeting, the consensus was to continue raising as much money as possible for scholarships, to conduct a study of alternative means of managing the money, and to have the entire membership decide on the form of management at the Annual Meeting in June.

This article has been written to inform the membership of the results of the Ad Hoc Committee's study and to prepare for further discussion at the Annual Meeting. At least three forms of enhanced management are available for the scholarship fund.

Legislative Resolution

The following resolution regarding the proposed increase in Alabama motor fuel tax was unanimously adopted by the Section at its Spring Meeting on March 12, 1992, with instructions for the President to provide copies to each member of the State of Alabama Legislature:

WHEREAS, the members of the Alabama Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers are dedicated to advancing the science and profession of transportation engineering, to enhancing the welfare of mankind and the quality of life by improving our transportation facilities, and to providing safer and more efficient movement of people and goods; and

WHEREAS, there are pressing needs for new roads, for improvements in existing roads to alleviate congestion, and for enhancements to increase capacity and safety of roadways at all levels of government in Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 provided increased federal funds for roadway work in Alabama, but consequently increased the need for matching funds from this State, leaving the Alabama Highway Department with insufficient funds to match available federal roadway monies; and

WHEREAS, at the current time there is a need for over $1.5 billion to replace state-route bridges which are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete, and a need for almost one-half this much money to replace structurally deficient or functionally obsolete bridges on local government roads; and

WHEREAS, local government road building programs are under funded in Alabama, and in particular counties need their own stable source of funding with a substantial increase in monies for maintenance, safety improvement and road system expansion; and

WHEREAS, Florida, Georgia, Tennessee and Mississippi are all in the midst of major road building programs to provide transportation systems to service tomorrow's commerce and industry, and the State of Alabama needs a Developmental Highway System to encourage industrial development so that this State will not be at a competitive disadvantage with its neighbor states;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Alabama Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers do hereby encourage and support a substantial increase in roadway funding within this State, and do hereby call upon the members of the State of Alabama Legislature to enact and adopt HOUSE BILL NOS. 665, 666, 667, 668 and 669, and further call upon the citizens of the State of Alabama to support us in this resolve.

Telephone Communication Tips . . .

1. Telephone communication omits body language totally; for this reason you should pay close attention to tone of voice.
2. In an office it is easy to be distracted. Guard against this by looking at a blank wall or closing your eyes.
3. Telephones distort some sounds; be sure to check back on numbers or any word you're not sure of.
4. Use paraphrasing, requests for clarification and active feedback.
5. Remember that your attitude is reflected in your voice; smiles and frowns are transmitted through the telephone.

(Please see Scholarship, page 9)  
(Please see Telephone, page 8)
Membership Committee's Report

The Alabama Section Membership Committee consisting of Paul Weldon, Chairman, Gerald Anderson, Ken Cush, Robby Anderson, and Robert Camp, have completed a membership survey of the Sections in the Southern District. The results of this survey and a discussion of membership initiatives were presented at the Spring Meeting in Decatur on March 12, 1992.

The Committee was given the task to develop options for improving the transformation process from Affiliate grade to Member grade. This survey was conducted to determine the membership structure of the other Sections in the District and to discover other initiatives that may be ongoing in these Sections which might provide continuity throughout the District. Based on a cursory look before the survey and conversations with other Sections and Alabama Section Members, most Affiliates did not understand the difference between Member and Affiliate grades, i.e., membership requirements, duties and responsibilities for holding office, and Affiliates had not been encouraged to upgrade their membership status.

Figure 1 shows a comparison of the percentage of Affiliates in the Alabama Section as compared to the District as a whole. As can be seen, Alabama's Section has a disproportionate higher percentage of Affiliates than other Southern District Sections.

**FIGURE 1**

ITE MEMBERSHIP
MEMBERS/AFFILIATES

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>AFFILIATES</th>
<th>MEMBERS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1166</td>
<td>789</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

MEMBERS 60% 40%

ALL SOUTHERN DISTRICT SECTIONS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>AFFILIATES</th>
<th>MEMBERS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>202</td>
<td>72</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

MEMBERS 74% 26%

ALABAMA SECTION

Figure 2 shows a Section by Section breakdown of the number of Affiliates and Members.

**FIGURE 2**

NUMBER OF MEMBERS/AFFILIATES
BY SECTION

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>MEMBERS</th>
<th>AFFILIATES</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>VA</td>
<td>268</td>
<td>166</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NC</td>
<td>146</td>
<td>70</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SC</td>
<td>129</td>
<td>66</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>GA</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>86</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DS</td>
<td>83</td>
<td>51</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TN</td>
<td>78</td>
<td>34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>KY</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AL</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Figure 3 shows a breakdown by employment of Alabama Section Affiliates. It is obvious that the majority of the Affiliates are employed by the State Highway Department. This figure indicates that the best opportunity for membership upgrades would be to the State Highway Department employees.

**FIGURE 3**

EMPLOYMENT OF ALABAMA SECTION AFFILIATES

Total = 202

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Affiliation</th>
<th>Percentage</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>State</td>
<td>130 (64%)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Industry</td>
<td>24 (12%)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>County</td>
<td>12 (6%)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>City</td>
<td>19 (9%)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Consultant</td>
<td>9 (4%)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Other</td>
<td>9 (4%)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Retired</td>
<td>5 (2%)</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Figure 4 shows the employment of the Members of the Section. This bar chart indicates that the largest Member employment classification is the consultant group. It would be normal for the state and city membership to be at least equal to the number of consultant Members, but this is not the case.

**FIGURE 4**

EMPLOYMENT PROFILE OF ALABAMA SECTION MEMBERS

Membership Total = 72

(Please see Membership, page 5)
Membership (continued from page 4)

Based upon a listing of the Affiliates in our Section and their qualifications, Figure 5 was compiled to show by employment the Affiliates that meet Member qualifications. Obviously, as discussed previously, most of these are in state government, i.e., the Alabama Highway Department.

**FIGURE 5**

**ALSITE AFFILIATES IDENTIFIED AS "MEMBER" CANDIDATES**

Total = 106 Potential Members

Another problem area that was discovered in this analysis was that there was not an adequate Member pool existing from which future officers could be recruited. As Table 1 indicates there are only 30 Members available with the majority of these in city government. This number is expected to significantly dwindle if we do not recruit more Members as other Members retire or complete service as officers in the Section.

**TABLE 1**

*Potential ALSITE Candidate Officers' Pool*

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Total</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL MEMBERS</td>
<td>72</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OUT OF STATE MEMBERS</td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(although not prohibited in Bylaws traditionally not nominated)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUBTOTAL</td>
<td>57</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PAST PRESIDENTS</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SUBTOTAL</td>
<td>36</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RETIRED MEMBERS</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

***EMPLOYMENT***

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Employment</th>
<th>Total</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>State Government</td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>City Government</td>
<td>8</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>County Government</td>
<td>4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Academia</td>
<td>3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Reg. Planning</td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Consultants</td>
<td>7</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

In summary, the most important aspects of the survey findings are the ratio of Affiliates to Members. South Carolina has the highest ratio and Kentucky the lowest. Kentucky's Bylaws stipulate that Affiliates shall not exceed 50 percent of the total Section membership. The membership dues for Members and Affiliates varies widely. North Carolina has the highest and most detailed fee structure. Kentucky, Alabama and South Carolina have the lowest dues. International Membership is required for Member grade in every Section in the District. In general, Affiliate Members are not allowed to vote on positions except for Affiliate Director. Affiliates are allowed two positions on the Board of Directors in Virginia and North Carolina.

A question was asked on the survey as to whether the President of the Section thought that the Affiliate grade was an effective recruitment measure. All Sections responded "yes" with the exception of the Deep South. The reference requirements was another area of concern. Membership references are required by all Sections with the exception of South Carolina. In most of the Sections, International Membership is required for membership reference. The number of references is usually three.

Following a review of the survey information and the membership application process, it was revealed that there is a problem with Affiliates being used as references on the Alabama Section membership application, this is not allowed by our Bylaws. It was also noted that International has several membership grades and has a much more in-depth review process than the Alabama Section. The Alabama Section could adopt International procedures for approval of our Affiliate Member Applicants.

Other matters that were reviewed included, the options that are available to the Section based on the Committee's observations and the need to encourage those International Members who are not Members of the Section to become Members (letters have been sent to these individuals along with Section membership applications).

The Affiliate view point was presented by Robert Camp in letter form. Robert stated that he concurred with the Committee in that once a person becomes qualified to become a Member he should be encouraged to do so. He also stated that he thought the qualifications for becoming an Affiliate were too slack.

In conclusion, the Membership Committee recommended five items for consideration, these are shown on Table 2. The Bylaw change would simply state that Affiliates would be required to apply for ITE membership once they are eligible. This does not mean that they will be ousted from Affiliate status if they do not become International Members. Options 2 and 3 were discussed earlier in this report. Option 4 would involve the establishment of certain classes of Affiliates depending on their experience levels with an appropriate fee structure. Option 5 would involve an increase of an Affiliate's fee to what is required by ITE for membership if they are eligible for membership in International and do not elect to become Members.

**TABLE 2**

**RECOMMENDED ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

1. Consider Bylaw change requiring qualified "Affiliates" to apply for "Member" status.
2. Follow International ITE Guidelines for Affiliate Members.
3. Do as Kentucky Section - Limit number of "Affiliates" to a percentage of total "Members".
4. Establish classes for "Affiliates" similar to the North Carolina Section.
5. Modify membership dues structure to encourage "Affiliates" to become "Members".

The Membership Committee was pleased to present this information to the Section. It is our sincere hope and desire that the results of these efforts will be a more professional and strengthened Alabama Section.
Southern District News by Vic McSwain
ALSITE Representative

It was my pleasure to represent ALSITE on the Board of Directors at the fourth Annual Meeting of the Southern District ITE held in Columbia, South Carolina. There were twenty-five ALSITE registrants at the meeting and we were able to conduct a very productive Section breakfast.

One of the more significant reports was from the District's 21st Century Task Force Committee. This Committee was established by Southern District President Richard Atkins to look at a broad range of issues facing traffic/transportation engineers in the 1990's and beyond. The Committee's Chairman is John Edwards and the ALSITE representative is Darrell Skipper. Seventeen issues were identified and recommendations were made. More information will be distributed as the Committee continues its work.

Other Announcements

- Brent McKinney from North Carolina was elected the incoming Secretary-Treasurer.
- The site for the 1996 Annual Meeting is Jackson, Mississippi.
- The "Marble J. Hensley Individual Activity Award" was received by Don Gaines of Georgia.
- UNCC received the "Outstanding Student Chapter Award".
- ALSITE was selected as the "Outstanding Section".
- Bob Vecellio was chosen as recipient of the most prestigious "Herman J. House Distinguished Service Award".
- Auburn University was runner-up for the "Outstanding Student Chapter Award".
- The success of our scholarship program received recognition several times during the meeting. We can truly be proud!

Scholarship Auction June 11th

Time for our annual Scholarship Auction is close at hand. This year's event will be held in the Swift Ballroom at the Quality Inn-Beachside following the Annual Meeting Banquet.

Please clean out your attic, garage and shop, and bring those valuable items to Gulf shores along with anything else you may wish to donate.

In order to expedite the auctioning process as well as maximizing the "take" we need your help. The Board has received expressions of concern from several contributors. It seems that in the past items may have been sold for extremely low amounts, in particular handicrafts. It is not possible for our "Official Auctioneer" (Vic McSwain) to assign a "street price" or "retail price" for many of the objects donated.

In order to assist Vic, we are requesting that you place a "Post-it" note (label) on each item with both a "retail price" and a "street price".

The "Street Price" should be what you would consider a fair price for the auctioneer to try to obtain.

As always, please bring items that are in good taste. Let's set another Section record at this year's auction. All proceeds go to the Endowment Fund.

Networking And Technology Transfer Volunteer Program

PURPOSE: The purpose of the program is to establish a network of technology transfer within the Southern District of ITE. Specifically, the intent is to establish a panel of transportation professionals willing to share their particular knowledge with their peers within the Southern District.

ACTIVITIES: Individual panel members agree to share their specific knowledge through one or both of the following activities:

1. Be a participant on a Technical Speakers Exchange. Upon request, the volunteer agrees to make a presentation concerning some aspect of his District or Section meetings, seminars, and workshops.
2. Be willing to discuss aspects of his or her expertise with peers who may call or write.

GROUND RULES
It must be remembered that the panel of professionals consists of volunteers! Accordingly, maximum courtesy and consideration must be afforded them by those requesting their services. Those requesting information must be cognizant of the professional's time, financial, and personal constraints and limitations. Remember, the volunteer always has the right and privilege of saying no to a request!

HOW TO VOLUNTEER
The District's Technical Committee is in charge of assembling the panel. Anyone interested in being a member of the panel should complete the form below and mail to the address shown. Members will also be solicited through Section and District officers and committee chairpersons.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Sign me up! I want to volunteer to be a member of the panel!!!

NAME: ____________________________

ADDRESS: _________________________

TELEPHONE: _______________________

AREAS OF EXPERTISE: ____________________________

CHECK ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH YOU ARE VOLUNTEERING:

[ ] Participating in a Technical Speakers Exchange
[ ] Sharing knowledge with Southern District peers

Please mail this form to:
Gene Arnold
Virginia Transportation Research Council
P.O. Box 3817
University Station
Charlottesville, Virginia 22903
Telephone: (804) 293-1931
Spring Meeting Minutes...March 12, 1992

The Spring 1992 Meeting of the Alabama Section Institute of Transportation Engineers was held on March 12, 1992, in Decatur at the Holiday Inn, 1101 6th Avenue North. The meeting consisted of a morning technical session, a luncheon, and a Section Business Meeting.

PROGRAM AND MEETING ARRANGEMENTS:
Robert Adams

AGENDA:
Registration Andy Lassiter and Judy Garrett
Welcome Tommy Camp

Technical Session
"Forum on Alabama Section and International ITE Membership Requirements" Section Membership Committee

"Commercial Drivers License Program and Its Implementation by AHD" Charles Garrett
Alabama Highway Department

Break

"Huntsville's Solution to Public Transportation" Tommy Brown
City of Huntsville, Department of Transportation

"Emergency Response to Hazardous Materials Incidents on Our Highways" Danny "Short" Ryan
Fire Chief, Town of Dutton, Alabama

Luncheon
Business Meeting

ATTENDANCE:
18 Members 8 Affiliates 3 Guests 3 Speakers

FINANCIAL:
Receipts:
Registration Fees (29 @ $25.00) $725.00

Disbursements:
Luncheon and Refreshments $633.66
Postage 72.50
Alabama Section Scholarship 145.00
Net Meeting Proceeds $126.16

BUSINESS MEETING:
1) Call to Order:
The Business Meeting was called to order by President James Meads at 12:54 P.M.

2) Minutes:
President Meads called for corrections/additions to the minutes of the Fall 1991 Meeting as published in the Spring 1992 Newsletter. There being none, Robby Anderson made a motion, seconded by Ken Cush, to accept the official minutes. The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.

3) Secretary/Treasurer's 1991 Annual Report:
President Meads called for approval of the Secretary/Treasurers 1991 Annual Report as published in the Spring 1992 Newsletter. Ken Cush made a motion, seconded by Rod Long, to accept the Report as published. The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.

4) Officers/Directors Reports:
a) Secretary/Treasurers Report:
The Secretary/Treasurers Report was presented by Bubba Bowden, detailing the receipts and expenditures since January 1, 1992. It was reported that the receipts since January 1, were $1,623.00 and expenditures were $898.20, leaving a current balance of $4,778.99. As an interim measure the Membership Committee will review all membership applications and make a recommendation to the Board regarding the applicant. The current membership status was reported to be 69 Members, 202 Affiliates, and 3 retired Members for a total membership of 274. There have been 241 of the membership that have paid dues, leaving 30 owing $6.00. Rod Long made a motion, seconded by Ken Cush, to accept the report as presented. The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.

b) Southern District Representative's Report:
Dan Turner reported that the career guidance tape produced by the Southern District had been adopted by International and is being distributed by International to encourage young people to pursue a career in Transportation. He also reported that the District is encouraging Sections to develop and fund a scholarship program similar to the one in Alabama. He also reported that Rod Long is chairing a committee to pool information on the various scholarships available within the District from the Sections. This information would contain how these scholarships were set up and would be made available to all the Sections within the District.

5) Committee Reports:
a) Past Presidents Report: Bob Vecello reported that the five members were going to divide the State into five geographical regions and produce a fact sheet about the field of Transportation. This would be distributed to all the High Schools within the regions. He also stated that Auburn University Civil Engineering Department had copies of the career Guidance video and if members knew of High Schools that had Career Guidance Day, he would be glad to furnish them a copy of the video for that day.

b) Newsletter Report: Harold Raynor reported that there was one space for rent in the Professional Services Directory.

c) Scholarship: Dan Turner reported that the Section needed to plan the next phase in the scholarship program. He stated that the Board needed to consider one of four options which are:

1) Create our own tax exempt foundation with a Board of Directors to oversee the operation and management of the fund.
2) To cap our original endowment fund and start a second endowment fund.
3) Give to a state University a continuous endowment to always provide an annual scholarship.
4) To continue as we are currently doing with our scholarship program.

Harold Raynor and Dan Turner will review all options and make a recommendation to the Board.

d) Legislative: Dan Turner reported that the gas tax legislation was going to be brought before the Legislature again and that the matching funds were needed now more than ever. A motion was made by Gerald Anderson, seconded by Harold Raynor, that Dan Turner draft a resolution for President Mead's signature showing the Section's support for the gas tax legislation. The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.

(Please see Minutes, Page 11)
1992 Charles E. Alexander Scholarship Recipient Named

ALSITE Scholarship Committee Chairman Harold Raynor announced that Stacey N. Glass of Auburn University will receive the 1992 Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship. The 1992 award is in the amount of $1,500 and will be formally presented to Stacey at the Section's 1992 Annual Meeting Banquet.

Stacey, an Affiliate Member of ALSITE, is a Junior in Civil Engineering and has an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.21 and a Civil Engineering GPA of 4.00. He has been an employee of the Alabama Highway Department in the Traffic Engineering Section for over four years. His career objectives are to continue his employment with the Highway Department and obtain his P.E. License.

The Charles E. Alexander Transportation Engineering Scholarship was established by ALSITE in 1986 and was named in honor of the Section’s first President and Founding Member. Since 1986, scholarships have been awarded to:

- Norman Steigler - Auburn University - 1986
- Keith Maxwell - Auburn University - 1987
- Curtis Lineberry - University of Alabama - 1988
- John E. Murphy, III - Auburn University - 1989
- Aubrey H. White, III - Auburn University - 1990
- David J. Turner - University of Alabama - 1991

Recipients of the ALSITE Scholarship must be students at accredited Civil Engineering schools in the State of Alabama and must be enrolled as students the year following the award. Candidates must demonstrate a strong commitment to the discipline of Transportation Engineering in their course work and outside activities.

Scholarship Report ... By David Griffin, Administrator

I am pleased to announce that since my last report our Endowment Fund has increased to $32,808.17. Since the start of our Scholarship Program in 1986 we have accumulated a total of $39,308.17 and awarded scholarships totaling $6,500.00. During 1991 our Fund had a net increase of $11,396.89.

Individual contributions are still disappointing. We are at the halfway point in the 1992 tax year, so please give serious consideration to making a tax deductible contribution. I look forward to receiving your check.

The following tables provide an up-to-date recap of the funding sources and Endowment Fund activity since 1986.

### ACCOUNT SUMMARY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SOURCE</th>
<th>TOTAL NUMBER</th>
<th>TOTAL AMOUNT</th>
<th>PERCENT OF TOTAL</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>ABD Gift</td>
<td>14 (5)</td>
<td>$13,020.00</td>
<td>33.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Annual Auction</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>7,533.50</td>
<td>19.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Consultants Gift</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>0.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Individual Gift</td>
<td>37 (22)</td>
<td>5,715.41</td>
<td>14.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Meeting Surcharge</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>6,124.83</td>
<td>15.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Southern District Award</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1,000.00</td>
<td>2.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Interest (Estimate: 4-1-92)</td>
<td>57</td>
<td>5,914.33</td>
<td>15.1</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Awards (1986-91)</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>(6,500.00)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ESTIMATED FUND BALANCE</td>
<td></td>
<td>$32,808.17</td>
<td>100.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

NOTE: Numbers in ( ) indicate actual number of firms or individuals.

### ACCOUNT HISTORY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>YEAR</th>
<th>AVERAGE MONTHLY BALANCE</th>
<th>PERCENT YIELD (ESTIMATE)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1986</td>
<td>$2,310</td>
<td>2.43</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1987</td>
<td>4,452</td>
<td>7.04</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1988</td>
<td>9,032</td>
<td>7.70</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1989</td>
<td>13,373</td>
<td>8.56</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1990</td>
<td>17,554</td>
<td>8.85</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1991</td>
<td>26,712</td>
<td>6.76</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

6. If you leave numbers for someone to return a call, say the number slowly enough for the other person to write it down. This is particularly important when a human being is involved.

7. A telephone should be answered by the third ring.

8. Take a note of these five forbidden phrases from a company called "The Telephone Doctor":
   - "I don't know." Instead say, "Let me check for you."  
   - "We don't (or can't) do that." Offering an alternative is a better solution, as in saying "Let me see what I can do."  
   - "You'll have to..." NEVER say that. Instead say, "here's how we can handle that. Please call (or write, or do)...."

(Please see Telephone, page 13)

ITE Levels of Government

Throughout this Newsletter, as well as subsequent issues, you will see many references to Sections, Divisions, or Areas. This may create some confusion to the reader since these terms may often "appear" to be used interchangeably.

Prior to 1989, the general hierarchical organizational structure of the society was as follows:

- **ITE** - International Membership (world wide)
- **District** - Multiple Sections (large geographical area)
- **Section** - Multiple States (regional area)
- **Division** - Single or multiple State organization.

During 1989 a restructuring of District Boundaries by ITE went into effect. As a result, what basically had been the Southern Section became the Southern District, eliminating one level of regional government. This organizational concept was first proposed by Southern Section Delegates to ITE's Constitutional Convention held in Hot Springs, Arkansas in 1971.

The current organizational structure is:

- **ITE** - International Membership (world wide)
- **District** - Multiple Sections (large geographical area)
- **Section** - Single or multiple State organization
- **Area** - Geographical group within a Section

For example, the Southern Section is now the Southern District and the Alabama Division is now the Alabama Section. We hope this helps clarify any confusion.

The Editor

Summer 1992 Page 8
Buckle Up Signs

The Alabama Highway Department has selected a design for new "Buckle Up" safety belt signs, and these signs are now being erected along Alabama's highways. This is in response to the recently enacted Alabama Safety Belt Law passed in the 1991 regular session of the Alabama Legislature. Signs will initially be posted at all locations where a State highway crosses a State line and at all rest areas and welcome centers.

There are 20 crossings at the Florida line, 22 crossings at the Georgia line, 21 crossings at the Mississippi line, and 15 crossings at the Tennessee line, for a total of 78 State line crossings. There will also be "Buckle Up" signs posted on highway entrance ramps at all State rest areas and welcome centers. Other locations for erecting "Buckle Up" signs will be selected by each Division Engineer and will include high traffic, high visibility locations.

The first priority is to erect signs at rest areas and welcome centers on the Interstate System. The second priority will be to erect signs at our major U.S. highway and Interstate highway State line crossings. The third priority has been established for other State line crossings, and finally signs will be erected at locations selected by the Highway Department's Division Engineers.

This effort is already under way, and you should now be seeing the "Buckle Up" signs appearing on Alabama's highways.

D.W. Vaughn

Position Available

TRANSPORTATION ENGINEER
Opening for transportation engineer with Birmingham, Alabama Metropolitan Planning Organization. Position is primarily responsible for the development of the management systems for an urban area of 750,000 as required under the provisions of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Infrastructure Act of 1991. Primary emphasis will be upon the development of a traffic congestion management system. In addition, coordination with the State for development of the other five management systems for the Birmingham area will be required. Secondary responsibilities include involvement in the development of transportation control measures for the expenditure of congestion management/air quality funds. Position is part of a five-person staff in the transportation planning division.

Requires Masters degree in traffic engineering or transportation planning and two years of professional transportation experience, or Bachelors degree and four years of experience.

Working knowledge of database, spreadsheet, word processing and traffic engineering software required. Experience in site impact review techniques for major developments, level of service standards using the Highway Capacity Manual, sub-area modeling and transportation control measures is desirable. A detailed job description is available upon request.

Salary range is $30,629 - $41,045. Submit salary requirements and resume to Mr. Paul G. Dentiste, AICP, Executive Director, Birmingham Regional Planning Commission, 2112 11th Avenue South, Suite 220, Birmingham, Alabama 35256-4799. Phone (205) 251-8139.

Scholarship (continued from page 3)

INTERNATIONAL ITE ENDOWMENT
The first form of management is to continue investing Section scholarship funds in the International ITE Endowment Fund. The yield has been 6.76% to 8.85% over the past five years. This is sufficient to generate a good annual scholarship from the interest on the endowment. If this alternative is selected, the Section might cap the original endowment at a fixed amount (say $25,000) and start a second endowment. At the same time, a firmer form of control is needed for the funds. Rules for managing the money and for reporting to the membership should be made stronger. One technique for accomplishing this might be to include them in the Section Bylaws.

UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT
A second form of management would be for the Section to provide a large gift to a university to provide an endowment for Civil Engineering scholarships. Stipulations could be placed on the gift so that it functioned in the same manner as the present scholarship. The scholarship could be advertised by the university to make ITE more visible to Civil Engineering students. The University would have to manage the funds in compliance with Alabama Code, university policy, and the restrictions which the Section placed on the endowment. If this option is selected, reasonably large endowments could be placed at both Auburn and the University of Alabama within several years.

TAX EXEMPT FOUNDATION
A third method for managing the money might be to establish an independent, tax exempt foundation. The Section could incorporate the foundation, provide the Bylaws, and appoint the initial officers. The advantages would be that donations are clearly tax deductible, local control of the funds, and possible higher yields than the International ITE fund.

The Ad Hoc Scholarship Committee will prepare lists of advantages and disadvantages of each technique for use in the discussion at the Annual Meeting. Members of the Section who are interested in this topic can provide their comments and suggestions to David Griffin, Harold Raynor, or Dan Turner prior to the 1992 Annual Meeting.

ALSITE Calendar

The following is a schedule of events which may be of interest to the Section membership. Some are "target" dates and locations, and represent preliminary planning for the listed function. This information is published to assist the membership in planning their participation.

If you know of other events that should be considered for publication in this Calendar, please send complete details to the Newsletter Editor.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DATE</th>
<th>EVENT</th>
<th>LOCATION</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1992</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>June 10</td>
<td>ALSITE Board Meeting</td>
<td>Quality Inn, Gulf Shores, AL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>June 11-12</td>
<td>ALSITE 4th Annual Meeting</td>
<td>Quality Inn, Gulf Shores, AL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Contact: Gary Dennis</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>August 9-12</td>
<td>ITE 62nd Annual Meeting</td>
<td>The Washington Hilton, Washington, DC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Contact: ITE Headquarters</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>September 15</td>
<td>ALSITE NEWS (news deadline 8/1)</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>October 15</td>
<td>ALSITE Fall Meeting</td>
<td>Sheraton Civic Center, Birmingham, AL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1993</td>
<td>AL Highway Conference</td>
<td>Montgomery Civic Ctr, Montgomery, AL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>February 17-18</td>
<td>J. Fred O'Brien</td>
<td>Montgomery Civic Ctr, Montgomery, AL</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>February 15</td>
<td>Newsletter</td>
<td>N/A</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

?? Exact contact dates and dates unknown at time of publication

ALSITE NEWS  Page 9  Summer 1992
Official Notice to Voting Members...

PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGES

In accordance with Section 4.5 of the Alabama Section's Charter issued on January 1, 1989; you are hereby advised that by resolution of the Section Board on May 5, 1992, the following Bylaws amendments will be placed before the Members at the Annual Meeting for appropriate action. Voting Members should pick up their ballots at the Annual Meeting registration desk on June 11th and hand deliver them to Secretary-Treasurer Bubba Bowden prior to Technical Session II. If adopted, the new dues will become payable at the time of the 1992 Annual Meeting. The proposed additions and/or changes are shown in bold, italic type.

PROPOSED BYLAWS AMENDMENTS

ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 2.1 Membership in the Section shall consist of three grades: Member, Class I Affiliate (Technical) and Class II Affiliate.

SECTION 2.2 Admission to Member grade will be granted in accordance with the Section Charter.

SECTION 2.3 Affiliates and Student Members of Southern District Institute of Transportation Engineers are eligible as Class I Affiliate (Technical) of the Section upon filing an appropriate application with the Section Secretary-Treasurer and upon payment of dues. Any other application for Class I Affiliate (Technical) membership must be made to the Section Secretary-Treasurer and the applicant must furnish the names of at least three Members of Southern District of the Institute of Transportation Engineers to whom he is personally known for reference. Individuals who do not otherwise meet the requirements for International ITE membership may apply for admission to the Alabama Section ITE in the grade of Class I Affiliate (Technical). Such applicants shall have at least one of the following qualifications.

(a) Engineers in the transportation engineering profession who lack sufficient experience for Institute of Transportation Engineers membership or who are in the process of applying for such membership;

(b) Persons engaged in subprofessional transportation engineering work. Subprofessional transportation engineering includes activities that require neither a professional degree nor equivalent experience, Examples: supervising sign shop activities, inventorying signs, drafting transportation engineering projects, collecting transportation data, drawing collision diagrams and performing simple transportation or traffic surveys or studies.

(c) Students registered in an engineering curriculum in an accredited engineering school;

(d) Professionals and officials in related fields who by virtue of official position are in a position to contribute to the work of transportation engineering;

(e) Persons engaged in commerce or industry who come in frequent contact with transportation engineers and who thus have an interest in the profession and are in a position to work with and assist transportation engineers.

Those who qualify for but are not voting members of International ITE may apply for admission to the Alabama Section ITE in the grade of Class II Affiliate. (Minimum requirements for International ITE membership are (1) graduation in engineering or a related field from a school of recognized standing and active in transportation or traffic engineering work, or (2) if not a graduate, have five years of professional experience and be active in transportation or traffic engineering work.) Application for Class II Affiliate membership must be made to the Section Secretary-Treasurer and the applicant must furnish the names of at least three Members of Southern District of the Institute of Transportation Engineers to whom he is personally known for reference.

SECTION 3.5 The Membership Committee shall annually review the qualifications of Class I Affiliates (Technical). As soon as they meet minimum qualifications for Institute membership they shall be encouraged to apply for such membership and will be transferred to the Class II Affiliate membership grade.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Membership Grade</th>
<th>Dues</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Section Member</td>
<td>$10.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Section Affiliate</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Class I (Technical)</td>
<td>$10.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Class II</td>
<td>$30.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Student Chapter News

Keith West, Engineering Council Representative, reports that 474 visitors used the E-Day shuttle system operated by 16 ITE students on Engineering Day, February 21. The shuttle was free but calculations revealed an equivalent transportation cost of 24 cents per passenger. This is the first year that the new blue and orange E-Day parking signs, supplied by Vulcan, Inc. of Foley, Alabama, were used. These additional signs permitted the proper signing of more routes to better direct visitors to the Wire Road parking lot.

The Student Chapter sponsored 2 technical presentations on campus during the Winter Quarter:

"Railroad Transportation: CE Challenges of the Future"
John W. Orrison, CSX Transportation, Jacksonville, FL
(Joint presentation with ASCE Student Chapter)

"New Technology in Counting and Analyzing Traffic"
Jim Chandler and Ginger Stubblefield
SASCO, Birmingham, AL

We are glad to report that Jim Chandler did successfully install and retrieve the HI-STAR NC-90 traffic counter on Magnolia Avenue during the busy lunch hour!

The Student Chapter sponsored a field trip to the City of Montgomery traffic signal shop on March 6th. Thanks are extended to Bubba Bowden and his staff for their excellent tour and all the technical information provided.

The Student Chapter received the Southern District's Runner-Up Student Chapter Award at the Columbia, SC Annual Meeting. The Chapter thanks the Alabama Section for their continued support of our activities.
Southern District Call for Papers

Now is the time to start thinking about technical papers for submittal to the 1992 ITE Southern District awards competition. Categories and guidelines for each are detailed below:

"BEST SPONSORED TECHNICAL PAPER AWARD"
and
"BEST NON-SPONSORED TECHNICAL PAPER AWARD"
The author or authors must be a Member(s) of ITE Southern District to be a candidate(s) for an award.
The author(s) must have conducted or been a participant(s) in the original study project and the paper must be in the field of transportation and/or traffic engineering.

Manuscripts must be submitted prior to December 1, 1992.

"BEST TECHNICAL COMMITTEE PAPER AWARD"
The paper must represent the results of a study undertaken and completed by a Technical Committee officially established by an ITE Section in the Southern District.
The paper must represent a Committee effort, and it must be in the field of transportation and/or traffic engineering.

Manuscripts must be submitted prior to January 1, 1993.

FORMAT AND SUBMISSION

Papers must be typewritten, and double spaced on one side only of 8 1/2" x 11" paper. A minimum of 1,500 words is required.

Five complete copies of the paper must be submitted, and a cover letter shall contain a statement clearly indicating the author's(s') analysis of data, and writing of the paper.

Manuscripts must be submitted to Gene Arnold, Chairman, ITE Southern District Technical Council, Virginia Transportation Research Council, P.O. Box 3817, University Station, Charlottesville, Virginia, 22903. Please call (804) 293-1931 with any questions.

AWARD

Recipients of the Best Sponsored and Best Non-Sponsored Technical Papers and the Best Technical Committee Paper Awards and the author(s) of any Runner-up Papers of each competition will be given the opportunity to present their papers at the Technical Sessions at the District Annual Meeting. Winners and Runners-up will receive their awards at the Annual Banquet.

People and the Profession...

Lawrence Harwell, Affiliate Member, retired on February 29, 1992 from the Alabama Highway Department after 30 years of service. He was a Civil Engineer III in preliminary design.

Charles Powell, Affiliate Member, was promoted to Professional Civil Engineer II, Hydraulics Engineer, with the Alabama Highway Department on May 2, 1992.

ALSITE Picked Best of the Best... For the Past Two Years

At the 4th Annual Meeting of the Southern District in Columbia, SC, on April 28th the Alabama Section received the "1991 Outstanding Section Award" for the second year in a row.

In January of each year the Sections must prepare an Annual Report and submit it to the Southern District. These reports are reviewed by the District's Special Awards Committee to determine which Section has most successfully advanced the transportation engineering profession within its geographical area during the previous year.

Sections are evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:
a) MEMBERSHIP - The percent of new Members within the Section and the percentage of active ITE Members within the geographical area who are active Members of the Section.
b) TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES - The number of papers published by Section members, and the number and type of Section Reports published during the year. The active participation of Section Members at the District and International levels.
c) EDUCATION and TRAINING ACTIVITIES - The number and duration of educational activities such as workshops, seminars and technical programs. Also, the quantity and quality of material such as course notes, lectures and slide presentations prepared for various educational/technical activities.

Our 140 page Annual Report was prepared by President Jim Meads. Jim recapped the Section's 1991 highlights as follows:

a) Membership Growth - 12.0%;
b) Active ITE Members - 91.0%;
c) Meeting Participation - 33.6% of the total membership; and
d) Increasing Scholarship Endowment to $32,000.00.

Let's make it THREE in a row. Document your activities during the year.

Minutes (continued from page 7)
e) JECA: President Meads detailed a letter from Don Arkle in which there was a proposal before the Board of Registration of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors stating that in order for all Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors to keep their License, they had to attend 15 hours of instruction per year in Professional Development. This instruction could be in seminars or classroom and had to be relevant to the practice of Engineering or Land Surveying.
f) Meetings: Nancy Hudson reported that the Annual Meeting will be in Gulf Shores June 11-12, 1992 and that the Fall Meeting will be held in Birmingham. She also asked for any suggestions for the Technical Session for the Annual Meeting.

6) Old Business:
None

8) New Business:
a) Southern District Meeting: Nancy Hudson reported that the Southern District Meeting will be held in Columbia, South Carolina, April 26-30, 1992. There will be an informal Section Breakfast on one of the days of the meeting. Dan Turner reported that there were many activities surrounding the meeting including some in the Charleston, S.C. area.

9) Adjourn:
The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 P.M..
District Director's Report on ITE Board Activities

1. The preliminary financial statement (unaudited) for the 1991 year was positive. While the Board was expecting a deficit for the year because of the Staff increase in mid-year, dues payments, contributions, publication revenues, etc... were greater than expected. The 1992 Budget is still showing a deficit, but is being watched with care.

2. The 1998 ITE Annual Meeting will be in Toronto during the first two weeks in August.

3. The National Committee on Uniform Traffic Laws and Ordinances is coming back to life and ITE will give some small financial support and some in-kind services.

4. The new Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) may provide some opportunities for ITE activity and input. Because of ITE membership at many local levels, this gives an additional avenue to FDOT on needs, etc... Note: I understand that someone in each FHWA Division Office is available to talk to groups and agencies about the new ISTEA. Could be a Section Meeting Program Speaker.

5. With the aid and counsel of ITE's Attorney, the board has adopted the Canon of Ethics. As you know this is a Board of Directors action. However, the Board seeks input from the Membership and will have this item on the 1992 Annual Meeting Agenda in August. You will recall the sections in question as follows:

   (wording as of September Annual Meeting)

   3. The member will not advertise in a false, misleading, or deceptive manner.

   (Board adopted wording January 1992 Meeting)

   3. The member will not practice, market or promote in a false, misleading, or deceptive manner.

6. Section 16 was deleted by the Board in May 1991. No new wording was adopted at January 1992 meeting.

   (Old sect. 19, new sect. 18 as adopted May 1991)

18. The member will not engage in competitive practices contrary to the law.

   (Board adopted wording January 1992 meeting)

18. The member will not engage in competitive practices contrary to the law. Note, this is the same wording. It was acknowledged that we should do anything contrary to law and this wording had no place in the Canons, but for emphasis, was left in the Canons.

6. The proposed Expert Witness Directory was discussed and with Legal Counsel's input. The publishing of Expert Witness Council would not be an endorsement of the individuals by ITE and would have a disclaimer statement.

7. ITE Standards were noted as having some that were out of date with current technology. Some want ITE to get out of the Standards business. I don't believe that we should go that far. An effort will be made by Technical Council to get partners like FHWA, AASHSTO, etc. to join in a Standards effort. Hopefully, this will lead to guidelines, not Standards.

8. Vehicle Detection Standards were discussed. It seems ITE has published something or suggested some device that does not address detection of bicycles (or makes detection difficult). Letters have been written by biking interest that could lead to some legal action in certain areas of the Country. This is being addressed by a task force to have some contact with Bikers, FHWA, AASHTO, etc. The problem seems to be mostly in areas with large University population. There are solutions to this and new technology is available. This is mainly a "side street" issue if green rest is used on the main street. There are several solutions. The main problem seems to be if appropriate consideration was given to all legal vehicle users.

9. Association, organization and agency membership and informal link to ITE are still being discussed.

10. Several membership transfer items came before the Board. To me, this continues to be an irritating item at each Board Meeting.

11. A Task force Committee of 10 District Directors will be making a review of District boundaries this year as required every three years (I serve on this group).

12. The Board approved to continue the mid-year ITE Conference through 1995 with rotation between California and Florida.

13. The Board approved charters and Bylaws for the Transportation Educators Council and the Transportation Safety Council.

14. The Board adopted a procedure establishing the James H. Keil Fellowship Program and approved a $500 cash award in the 1992 budget.

15. The Board accepted a BPS & J endowment of an award honoring Daniel W. Hoyt. Adopted board procedure for "Innovative Intermodal Solutions for Urban Transportation Paper Award in Memory of Daniel W. Hoyt". A $500 cash award will be given. Papers from past year ITE Annual Meeting, ITE Conference, past year ITE Journal, or special papers submitted for this award will be considered.

16. The Board continues to review membership procedures for admission and transfer.

17. The Board adopted a procedure to waive dues for hardship situations.

18. The Board passed a Resolution supporting NCU/CD's position to publish a revised Part VI of MUTCD before the next revised Manual is published. This would address urban conditions where the present Part VI is more rural. This was sent with a letter to FHWA.

19. Word has just been received that the Vice President Candidates nominated by the committee are Marsha D. Anderson from Atlanta and James R. Hanks of Eugene, Oregon.

Jim Yarbrough

ALSITE NEWS is the official publication of the Alabama Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ALSITE). ALSITE is a nonprofit, professional society of individuals involved in transportation engineering activities within the State of Alabama and is affiliated with the Southern District of the International Institute of Transportation Engineers.

ALSITE NEWS Staff
John E. Koniar, Editor/Publisher
General Manager, Vulcan Signs
P.O. Box 850
Foley, Alabama 36536
Telephone: (205) 943-1541
Jennifer D. Johnson, Typographer
Harold M. Raynor, Production Advisor
James E. Stewart, Technical Advisor
Patricia G. Alford, Contributing Editor
Section Officer and Director Candidates Announced

Officers Nominating Committee Chairman Harold Raynor reports that the candidates for 1993 Section Officers will be:

President: Nancy A. Hudson
Vice President: Locke D. (Bubba) Bowden, P.E.
Secretary-Treasurer: Robert W. Adams

Officers and Directors elected at the 1992 Annual Meeting will serve from January 1, 1993 until December 31, 1993.

Ballots will be distributed to voters on or before May 22, 1992 and must be returned to Secretary-Treasurer Bubba Bowden by June 9th or hand delivered to him in Gulf Shores prior to Technical Session II. Please remember to VOTE!

NANCY A. HUDSON
Nancy Hudson is currently a Senior Traffic Planning Technician in the Birmingham Traffic Engineering Department, a position she has held since April of 1988. From October of 1977 to April 1988 she was employed by the same agency as a Traffic Planning Technician. Nancy previously worked for the Alabama Highway Department as an Engineer’s Assistant. During her employment with AHD she was assigned to the I-59/I-20 Interchange Project and also worked for the Division Traffic Engineer.

Nancy is an Associate Member of ITE as well as a member of the state Safety Coordinating Committee and the Alabama Association of Women Highway Safety Leaders.

Nancy’s interest away from work cover just about everything from attending the ballet to camping trips. Travel is very high on her list of hobbies. Crafts, reading and movies keep her busy during most of her free time. She also likes to spend time with her two teen-age nephews, usually at the ball park.

LOCKE D. (BUBBA) BOWDEN
Bubba Bowden is a 1977 Civil Engineering graduate at Auburn. Until June of 1989 he was employed by the Alabama Highway Department in the Office of the State Traffic Engineer as Assistant State Traffic Engineer. In June of 1989 he was appointed City Traffic Engineer for the City of Montgomery. Bubba has been active in ALSITE as well as ASCE.

ROBERT W. ADAMS
Robert W. Adams is employed by the Alabama Highway Department in Decatur, Alabama as Division Traffic Engineer. He is responsible for traffic functions and operations in seven counties. From 1972 to 1989 he worked for Charles Alexander, State Traffic Engineer for Alabama Highway Department. Prior to this he served as Engineering Assistant for eleven years with the Alabama Highway Department in Alexander City, Alabama.

Robert is a Member of ITE (Alabama Section, Southern District and International). He was the Assistant Affiliate Director of the Alabama Section for 1987-88, served on the Membership Committee in 1988-89, served three consecutive terms on the Awards Committee, was Chairman of Local Arrangements for the Alabama Section 1992 Spring Meeting, and is currently a member of the Meeting Arrangement Program and Site Selection Committee.

Robert won the AASHTO Meritorious Public Service Award for 1992.

Robert is a 1961 graduate of Benjamin Russell High School in Alexander City, and attended Alexander City Jr. College from 1965-1967. He and his wife, Glenda, attend the Frazer Memorial United Methodist Church in Montgomery and they have 6 children.

Robert Camp, Chairman of the Affiliate Directors Nominating Committee reports that the following Affiliate Members have been selected as candidates for the 1993 Directors:

Affiliate Director: A. Gary Dennis
Assistant Affiliate Directors: Mark Dale
Billy Joe DeRamus
Phillip L. Grant

A. GARY DENNIS
Gary Dennis is a Sales/Product Manager with Vulcan Signs in Foley, Alabama. Gary has served as General Chairman for 18 of the 20 ALSITE Annual Meetings. He has also served as Assistant Affiliate Director since January 1, 1992.

MARK DALE
Mark Dale is the Division Wide Traffic Engineer of the 2nd Division Highway Department, located in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. He transferred to the 2nd Division in August of 1989 from the Maintenance Bureau in Montgomery, Alabama where he had worked for several years. He is a graduate of the University of Alabama in Birmingham. He is married to Teresa and they have one son named Aaron. His hobbies include woodworking and being an Alabama fan. He is also a very faithful and active church worker.

BILLY JOE DERAMUS
Billy Joe DeRamus is the Assistant Traffic Operations Engineer of the Maintenance Bureau in Montgomery. He transferred to this Department a few months ago from the Office of Engineers where he worked as Railhighway Coordinator. He has given eighteen years of dedicated service to the State of Alabama. He is married to Linda and they have five children. Their names are Angela, Pamela, Dallas, Carissa and Vanessa. He is a deacon at the Southside Baptist Church in Troy, Alabama where he resides. He enjoys working around his home and in his shop.

PHILLIP L. GRANT
Phillip L. Grant works at the Fourth Division Office in Alexander City, Alabama. He is the Assistant Division Wide Traffic Engineer. He supervises various projects throughout the Fourth Division where he has been employed for 13 years. He is presently pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering. He is married to Lou Ann and they have two children. Their names are Lindsey and Daniel. He is a dedicated member of the Church of Christ in Alexander City. He enjoys hunting and working with computers as a hobby.

Telephone (continued from page 9)

- "Hang on a second, I'll be right back" should be replaced with "I'll need to put you on hold for a minute. Is that all right?" WAIT FOR AN ANSWER.

- "No." Never begin with a negative. It immediately puts the call on the wrong footing.

9. Never leave a caller on hold for more than 30 seconds without returning. If you're transferring a call, check to be sure that the phone was answered.

10. When ending a call, use an appropriate final statement and allow the other party to hang up first. This will insure that you have heard everything the customer wishes to say.
ROSENBLATT & ASSOCIATES, INC.
P.O. Box 240772, 421 Rountree Road
Charlotte, NC 28224
Jack Rosenblatt, President
(704) 525-1852

ROADRUNNER TRAFFIC PAINTS
& Netco Net Dips
(205) 943-1638
(205) 943-1639

SAFETY COATINGS, INC.
Service and Quality are What Makes Us Different
Charles "Chuck" Carnell
President
P.O. Box 399
Foley, AL 36536

SASCO
SOUTHERN ALUMINUM & STEEL CORPORATION
SIX OFFICE PARK CIRCLE, P.O. BOX 99027, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35293
(205) 872-6600
FAX (205) 872-6609

CLIFF JOYNER
SALES REPRESENTATIVE

WATT & ESTES, INC.
CONSULTING ENGINEERS
4808 ADAMS ROAD
CHATTANOOGA, TN 37343
815/848-3335

4830 PARAGON PARK ROAD
RALEIGH, NC 27604
919/878-8776

JAMES P. BANNON
Vice President
3M Authorized Dealer

FAX: (213) 503-9990
(800) PEDS-USA
(213) 603-8825
3000 E. LAS HERMANAS ST.
RANCHO DOMINGUEZ, CA 90221

WILLIS TRANSPORTATION
ENGINEERING
ORLANDO • HUNTSVILLE

C.O. "Zeke" Willis, Jr., P.E.
President
4930 Corporate Dr., Suite 1
Huntsville, AL 35805
FAX (205) 837-0326

TRAFFIC PRODUCTS INC.
P. O. BOX 19703
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35219-9703
JERRY L. REEVES
FAX (205) 870-0112

Gary Dennis
Sales/Product Manager

3M

SERVING THE SOUTHEAST'S TRAFFIC CONTROL NEEDS
SINCE 1964

Traffic Control Devices

SAFE TRAFFIC SAFETY

Jeff Bonner
Government Representative
Residence
3106 Tidewater Lane
Madison, MS 39110

Traffic Control
Materials Division/3M
601/856 7285
800/527 1648 Ans. Serv.

3M
A PART OF VULCAN, INC.
An Employee Owned Company II
1-800-623-8665 (USA)
1-800-326-7070 (AL)
FAX (205) 842-1544

Vulcan Signs
P. O. Box 850
Foley, Alabama 36535
(205) 943-8514
1-800-623-8665 (USA)
1-800-623-8665 (AL)
FAX (205) 943-1544
1992 ALSITE Board of Directors...

President:
James A. Meads, P.E.
Senior Associate
Gorove/Slade Associates, Inc.
3500 Blue Lake Drive/Suite 499
Birmingham, Alabama 35243
Telephone: (205) 967-9284
Fax: (205) 967-2217

Secretary-Treasurer:
Locke D. (Bubba) Bowden, P.E.
Traffic Engineer
City of Montgomery
P.O. Box 111
Montgomery, Alabama 36101
Telephone: (205) 241-2910
Fax: (205) 241-2266

Immediate Past President:
Harold M. Raynor, P.E.
General Manager, VTMS
Vulcan, Inc.
P.O. Box 850
Foley, Alabama 36536
Telephone: (205) 943-7000
Fax: (205) 943-1544

Vice President:
Nancy A. Hudson
City of Birmingham
Traffic Engineering Department
710 20th Street North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
Telephone: (205) 254-2450
Fax: (205) 254-2415

Southern District Representative:
Victor A. McSwain, P.E.
Transp. & Planning Director
City of Mobile
Transp. & Planning Department
P.O. Box 1827
Mobile, Alabama 36633-1827
Telephone: (205) 844-6286
Fax: (205) 434-7452

Affiliate Director:
J. Bruce Thomason, P.E.
Asst. Division Maint. Engineer
State of Alabama Highway Dept.
1801 Beltline Highway North
Mobile, Alabama 36618
Telephone: (205) 470-8231
Fax: (205) 473-3624

1992 ALSITE Standing Committees, Representative and Liaisons...

ASSOCIATED BUSINESS DIVISION:
Gary Dennis* 943-1541
Tommy Lee 943-2645

AWARDS:
Harold Raynor* 943-7000
Dan Turner 348-6550
Darrell Skipper 967-9284
David Griffin 349-0240
Robert Adams 353-8861

LEGISLATIVE:
Dan Turner* 348-6550
Dick Garner 279-8507
Dave Lenoir 242-6163
Don Arkle 242-6164

MEETING ARRANGEMENTS, PROGRAM AND SITE SELECTION:
Nancy Hudson* 254-2450
Rod Higginbotham 254-2450
Robert Adam 353-8861
Gary Dennis 943-1541
Pat Alford 242-6484
Linda Harris 242-6131

MEMBERSHIP:
Paul Weldon* 242-6081
Robert Camp 234-4265
Robbie Anderson 263-6230
Gerald Anderson 242-6085
Ken Cush 242-6119

NEWSLETTER:
John Koniar* 943-1541
Harold Raynor 943-7000
Pat Alford 242-6482
Jim Stewart 943-1541
Bubba Bowden 241-2910

OFFICERS NOMINATIONS:
Harold Raynor* 943-7000
Bob Vecellio 844-6286
John Garrett 254-2451

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE:
Nancy Hudson* 254-2450

PAST PRESIDENTS:
Bob Vecellio 844-6286
David Griffin 349-0240
Bob Wolfe 269-2237
Joe Robinson 349-0240
Darrell Skipper 967-9284
Charles Alexander 242-6121

SCHOLARSHIP:
Harold Raynor* 943-7000
Charles Alexander 242-6121
David Griffin** 349-0240
Chuck Carneal 943-1638
Jerry Reeves 870-9685

ITE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:
Dan Turner* 348-6550

HISTORIAN:
Pete Alford* 242-6482
Linda Harris 242-6131

TECHNICAL:
Brian Bowman* 844-6262
Jay Lindly 348-6550
Rod Higginbotham 254-2450
Cecil Colson 242-6128
David Griffin 349-0240
Christina Williams 349-0240

TELLERS:
Ed Wait* (615) 842-3335
Don Vawter 381-5060
John Garrett 254-2450

TRANSPORTATION CONSULTANTS:
Ed Wait* (615) 842-3335
Bob Kolar 979-7757

JECA REPRESENTATIVE:
Don Arkle 242-6164

TSM ASSOCIATION LIAISON:
David Griffin 349-0240

ITE STUDENT CHAPTER LIAISON:
Walter Dorsey 705-5450

ATP LIAISON:
Brian Bowman 844-6262

* Committee Chair ** Administrator