TRB LIST Committee Fall Meeting - AGENDA
October 25, 2013
10:00 – 11:00 AM - Central

Moderator: Roberto A. Sarmiento
Recorder: Rita Evans
Paul Burley, John Cherney, Rita Evans, Sheila Hatchell, David Jared, Mary Moulton, Steve Pepin, Birgitta Sandstedt, Roberto Sarmiento, Sue Sillick, Bob Sweet, Sandra Tucker
Invited guest: Lisa Loyo, TRB

1) Welcome & Goals (RAS)

2) Approval of August 13, 2013 meeting minutes – Minutes approved.

3) Chair’s Update – 30 minutes
   a. 2014 Annual Meeting
      i. Committee Meeting – Monday, January 13, 1:30-5:30, Hilton Columbia Hall. Agenda items may include: Presentation of paper from Purdue selected for publication and presentation. Possible discussion on Grey literature: Committee has been circling around this issue for some time and Roberto feels it is time to start the discussion on what are we going to do about it. Bob Sweet asked for clarification about what it is we’re grappling with – definition, how to deal with it, concrete approach, etc. Kendra and Rita will develop talking points for discussion. David Jared pointed to Wikipedia entry and Interagency Gray Literature Working Group. Sandy Tucker raised issue of technical reports/research output, and agencies taking responsibility for seeing that the documents are deposited in long-term repository.

The proceedings for 2012 TRB sponsored conference Access to International Information Conference will be published in the next few months, too late for a presentation at the Annual Meeting, but we hope to discuss it and present it to the public at our meeting.
Some international users are having difficulties in accessing state DOT websites and the reports from those agencies. Andrew Meier, Ken Winter and Roberto will look into this issue and may present preliminary findings and possible actions to follow by the committee at the meeting.

ii. Papers – Roberto thanked Kendra Levine for issuing call for papers, coordinating reviews, etc. Received six papers, one on data curation from Purdue that has been accepted for publication and presentation. Ken Winter’s paper on ebooks was accepted for presentation.

iii. Presentations – LIST is producing the presentation: e-Books and Transportation: Familiar Technology in a New Setting. Rita is moderating and working with Sheila and Ken. The presentation on the development of a mobile app by a state DOT discussed at the summer meeting, could not be organized but we may pursue this topic for the 2015 annual meeting.

LIST is co-sponsoring two programs: Managing Information and Knowledge: Tools of the Trade and What CEOs Need to Know About Transportation Data for Better Decisions.


v. Roberto noted some lessons learned from program planning for 2014. The planning process needs to begin much earlier and he has committed to doing that and making sure that he follows up on planning efforts for 2015.

b. Research Review Guidelines Project – Update – Three teams formed, “How to Search,” “Where to Search,” and reviewers. Four librarians on each team plus Sue and Roberto as moderators. Team leaders are meeting next week for progress report. Aiming to have first draft to reviewers by March.

c. TRT subcommittee to B-0002 Committee – Roberto thanked those who commented on transfer.

d. Future planning - 2015 Meeting

International access to information – we should continue to pursue this topic, perhaps a program for 2015. Issues such as international users having difficulty accessing state DOT information and the Access to International Information Conference proceedings could be part of program for 2015.
Research Review – The How and Where to Search elements also could be a presentation.

e. Committee Membership – There will be a call for new members in spring, with some members slated to rotate off committee. Roberto asked for recommendations for new members, particularly young members.

4) Research Needs Statement (RNS) (Sue Sillick) – 15 minutes
Data management competencies for transportation agencies were developed by Arlene Mathison. The RNS has been reviewed, revised and posted to RNS and would be a good candidate for a Synthesis. Roberto thanked David for loading the statement into the RNS database.

Research Needs Statement and LIST (Sue) – Currently in our listing we have “Research Review Guidelines” (MN DOT working on this as well) and “Grey Literature”. Two other topics are on hold and need a champion or a decision to drop: “No Results Research” and “Data Access and Preservation”. Sue is working with TRB to make sure that LIST is included in committees working on these topics. Roberto would like to have a tab on the committee website dedicated to our research needs. Sue, David and Kendra agreed to work on this.

5) Announcements & Wrap up
Kendra, John, David and Sue will be working on additions to the website.