

National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices

**Council Meeting—Friday, June 20, 2008—Mobile, Alabama
Minutes of Meeting**

Chairman Billingsley called the meeting to order at 8:00am

Executive Secretary Bob Garrett called the roll and the following council members were present:

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| AAA | Jeff Bagdade | | |
| AAR | Mel McNichols | IACP | No Delegate |
| AASHTO | Del McOmie | IBTTA | Kerry Ferrier |
| | Dave Woodin | IMSA | Don Fullerton |
| | Barry Warhoftig | ITE | Tom Aber |
| | Tim Taylor | | Gene Putman |
| | Ken Kobetsky | | John Fisher |
| | Tom Hicks | | Bruce Friedman |
| | Bruce Ibarguen | | John LaPlante |
| | Ed Fischer | | Andy Ramisch |
| AHAS | Gerry Donaldson | | Gene Hawkins |
| AHUA | Jim Keaton | | Ronnie Bell |
| APWA | Steve Oliver | NACE | Lee Billingsley |
| | Richard Nassi | | Jeff Blue |
| | Monica Suter | | John Logan |
| AREMA | Richard Campbell | HFR | Phil Garvey |
| ARTBA | Tim Cox | GHSA | Ron Lipps |
| ATSSA | Dave McKee | NCUTL&O | Ray Pusey |
| LAB | Richard Moeur | NSC | Dan Magri |
| APTA | Paul O'Brien | | |

Honorary, Non-Voting Members: Jim Pline, Dick Luetlich, Dave Kuemmel, George Butzer

Secretary Garrett declared a quorum with 37 of 38 voting members present. Also present were approximately 150 other members and visitors.

Moved by Campbell, seconded by Putman to approve the minutes of the last two council meetings January 10 & 11, 2008. Motion approved unanimously.

Chairman's Report of Executive Board Actions

Chair, Lee Billingsley, reported that the Executive Board had met last evening and took action on the following items:

- Approved the budget for the January 2009 meeting with a registration fee of \$100 early and \$150 late.
- Approved the budget for the June 2009 meeting with a registration fee of \$110 early and \$160 late.
- Approved a revised schedule for the June 2009 meeting with our first meetings on Thursday and final meeting on Saturday.
- Approved the budget for fiscal year 2009.
- Approved a new contract for Executive Secretary, Bob Garrett.
- Approved six new technical members and appointed two new Associate Members to technical committees (Attachment No. 1).

- Approved the applications of two organizations to be new Sponsors of NCUTCD— American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP). Both will be in Group II and their annual dues will be ASCE-\$1,500 and APBP-\$1,000. Final approval will be in the form of an amendment to the NCUTCD bylaws, so the proposed amendment will be sent to Members and Sponsors and the Council vote will be at the January 2009 meeting.
- Were informed that NCUTCD Sponsor, NCUTL&O will be ceasing operations July 1, 2008. A task force was appointed to analyze the effect of this, particularly on the maintenance of the Uniform Vehicle Code (UVC) and report back to the board next January.
- Because of some problems with the NPA, each technical committee has been asked to indicate whether they support a request by NCUTCD for a Supplemental Notice of Proposed Amendment (SNPA) and what particular items should be included in the SNPA. Billingsley now asked Committee Chairs to report and all committees reported that they supported a request for an SNPA and each listed some items that should be included.

FHWA Report

Hari Kalla commented on the NPA and the possibility of a NCUTCD request for a SNPA indicating that a SNPA could take at least 1 to 1-1/2 years while a request for an extension of the current NPA could be acted on quite quickly. He also commented on some of the problem areas in the NPA, like Toll Road devices, incident management TA's and private property signing.

After some discussion it was

Moved by Kobetsky, seconded by Pusey to ask for an extension of the current NPA with consideration of a SNPA.

Additional discussion generated agreement that this should be two separate motions and Kobetsky and Pusey agreed to this.

Motion to request a SNPA was approved 18/13/5

Motion to request an extension of the current NPA was approved 16/15/1

Motion by Ferrier, seconded by Hawkins to request for an extension of 180 days. Motion approved with one in opposition.

Note: Subsequently, an email vote was taken to rescind the vote on the request for an extension which passed 30/3/5. The request for an SNPA was sent to the docket. The SNPA request is included here as (Attachment No. 8).

Edit Committee Report

Edit Committee chair, Tom Hicks, reported that the committee had met Wednesday June 18th with all members present or represented.

The Committee spent nearly all of its time on reviewing the NPA changes proposed for Part 1

Very brief discussion was had on future activities, as was reported at the NCUTCD Meeting on June 19th - 'what is a traffic control device' - 'streamlining the MUTCD in future editions' - 'resurrecting the concept of an MUTCD *strategic plan* (steering committee)

The Part 1 material as amended by the NCUTCD will be submitted shortly for forwarding on to the Federal Docket and, later this summer, the Edit Committee will be developing its thoughts on the other items on the Edit Committee agenda that are noted above.

Several items were presented for a vote of the Council. (Attachment No. 2) and all were approved.

Report on Canadian NCUTCD

John Logan reported on recent meetings of the Canadian NCUTCD (Attachment No. 3)

Report of TTC Technical Committee

TTC Chair, gene Putman, presented several items from the NPA which were voted on by the Council. The approved items will be included in the NCUTCD response to the Docket.. All of the TTC items which were approved by the NCUTCD Council in January and June 2008 are included in (Attachment No. 4)

Signals Committee Report

Signals Committee chair, Ronnie Bell, presented several items from the NPA which were voted on by the Council and the approved items will also be included in the docket response. All of the items approved by the NCUTCD Council today and tomorrow, June 21 as well as those approved at the January 2008 meeting, are included in (Attachment No. 5)

Bicycle Committee Report

Bicycle committee chair, Richard Moeur, presented several items from the NPA which were voted on by the Council and the approved items will also be included in the docket response. All of the Bicycle Committee items which were approved by the NCUTCD Council in January and June 2008 are included in (Attachment No. 6)

RRLRT Committee Report

RRLRT committee chair, Rick Campbell presented several items from the NPA which were voted on by the Council and the approved items will also be included in the docket response. All of the items which were approved by the Council today and tomorrow, June 21, are included in (Attachment No. 7)

The meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:10pm and several of the technical committees will meet this afternoon and evening and present additional action items to the Council tomorrow.

Respectively submitted
Robert M. Garrett, Executive Secretary