

**National Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices**

**Council Meeting—Thursday, January 20, 2011—Arlington, VA  
Minutes of Meeting**

Chairman Billingsley called the meeting to order at 8:05am.

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

AAA	Jeff Bagdad	HFR	Susan Chrysler
AAR	David Peterson	IACP	No Delegate
AASHTO	Robert Dean	IBTTA	Maurice Palumbo
	Susan Groth	IMSA	Don Fullerton
	Tom Hicks	ITE	Gene Hawkins
	Bruce Ibarguen		Jim Ellison
	Bill Lambert		Ronnie Bell
	Lee Roadifer		John Fisher
	Mark Wilson		John LaPlante
	David Woodin		Gene Putman
			Andy Ramisch
AHUA	Jim Keaton		Paul Carlson
APBP	Bill Schultheiss	LAB	Richard Moeur
APTA	Paul O'Brien	NACE	Lee Billingsley
APWA	Steve Oliver		Jeff Blue
	Bob Garbacz		John Logan
	Jim Sparks	NSC	Dan Magri
AREMA	Richard Campbell		
ARTBA	Tim Cox		
ASCE	Bob Bryson		
ATSSA	Roger Wentz		
GHSA	Ron Lipps		

Honorary, Non-Voting Members: Jim Pline, Dave Kuemmel, Ken Kobetsky, Dick Luetlich

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

**Moved by Logan, seconded by Keaton to approve the minutes of the last two council meetings January 7 & 8, 2010. 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 15 new Technical Members (Attachment No.1)

Billingsley then called each of the new members forward to receive an NCUTCD membership pin.

- Approved the Budget for the January 2012 Meeting
- Approved the contract with the Hilton Crystal City Hotel for the January 2012 meeting.
- Approved an editorial change in the bylaws to delete reference to Advocates for Highway and Auto safety (AHAS) who have dropped their sponsorship of NCUTCD. .

#### FHWA Report

Hari Kalla gave a report of FHWA recent activities including the following:

- Recent changes in the MUTCD regarding the definition of “Standard” and engineering judgment. He indicated that FHWA will issue rulemaking on these two items in the near future.
- In October FHWA issued a request for comment on the compliance dates rulemaking and they have received over 500 comments including those from NCUTCD.

#### Edit Committee Report

Edit Committee Chair, Tom Hicks, reported that they had met yesterday with seven members in attendance and they discussed:

- Definition of a Traffic Control Device- Continued to summer meeting.
- Reviewing “Engineering Judgment” and “Engineering Study”-Awaiting further word from request to FHWA.
- Continuing to review MUTCD Introduction and Part 1 with regard to the Standard statements.
- Reviewing items from Technical Committees.
- Reviewed the on-going work of the “Roadway Open to Public Travel” subcommittee.

Hicks then noted that Rusty Lewis, an original member of NCUTCD and long time member of TTC Technical Committee, had recently resigned due to personal commitments. The Edit Committee had drafted a resolution (Attachment No. 2), thanking Rusty for his long service.

**Moved by Hicks, seconded by Putman to approve the resolution and send it to Rusty Lewis. Motion passed unanimously.**

#### Report of Canadian NCUTCD – John Logan

John Logan made a power point presentation on the last meeting of the Canadian NCUTCD noting that the next meeting will be April 14-16, 2011 in Ottawa, Ontario.

#### Research Committee Report – Paul Carlson

Carlson reported that the Research Committee will meet tonight. He outlined the agenda and invited everyone to attend.

Presentation on Dotted Lines – Murray Bodin

Murray Bodin made a short presentation on the use of dotted lines at highway exits.

Summer 2011 NCUTCD Meeting

Brent Jennings of Idaho DOT, made a power point presentation on the upcoming NCUTCD summer meeting in Boise, Idaho June 22-24.

RW Signs Technical Committee Report

RW Chair, Bruce Ibarguen, reported that the committee had considered sponsor comments on the nine RW recommendations that had been sent to Sponsors following the June 2010 meeting. They have made some changes in their original recommendations and he now presented the following for Council consideration. Ibarguen described the changes that were made by the committee and presented the final recommendations.

RW No.1 Lane Ends Signing Sec. 2C.42 & Fig 3B-14

**Moved and seconded to approve the recommendation of the RW Signs committee for changes to Section 2C.42 and Figure 3B-14 regarding Lane Ends Signing. (Attachment No. 3) Motion passed unanimously.**

RW No.2 Typical Signalized Intersection Signing Sec. 2A.16

There was considerable discussion and two motions for revisions which were approved.

**Moved and seconded to table the motion on RW recommendation No. 2. Motion passed unanimously with one abstention.**

RW No.3 Fines Higher Signing Sections 2B.17, 6F.12, 7B.10 & 7B.15

**Moved and seconded to approve the recommendation of the RW Signs committee for changes to Sections 2B.17, 6F.12, 7B.10 and 7B.15. (Attachment No. 4). Motion passed unanimously.**

RW No.4 Thru Traffic Merge Left (Right) Sec 2C.XX, Fig 2C-8, Table 2C-1 & 2C-2

After some discussion it was **Moved and seconded that the standard be deleted. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Moved and seconded to approve the amended RW recommendation on Thru Traffic Merge Left (Right) sign. (Attachment No. 5). Motion passed unanimously.**

RW No.5 2-Way Traffic on 3 Lane Road Fig 2C-8, Table 2C-1 & 2C-2

The committee made no changes on this recommendation. There was discussion

**Moved and seconded to delete the line on the sign. Motion passed with 3 opposed and 1 abstention.**

**Moved and seconded to approve the amended recommendation of the RW committee regarding 2-Way Traffic on 3-Lane Road (Attachment No. 6) Motion passed with two abstentions.**

RW No. 6 Spacing of Speed Limit Signs

**Moved and seconded to delete line 197 of the proposal. Motion passed with 3 abstaining.**

**Moved and seconded to approve the amended recommendation of the RW committee regarding Spacing of Speed Limit Signs. (Attachment No. 7). Motion passed with one abstaining.**

RW No. 7 Speed Differential for Horizontal Alignment Sign Selection Table 2C-5

**Moved and seconded to approve the recommendation of the RW committee regarding Speed Differential for Horizontal Alignment Sign Selection (Attachment No. 8) Motion passed with one opposed.**

RW No. 8 Turn Warning Signs

There was discussion and an approved motion to amend the recommended wording.

**Moved and seconded to approve the amended recommendation of the RW committee regarding Turn Warning Signs (Attachment No. 9). Motion passed with one abstaining.**

This completed the RW Signs Committee report for today. They will have other recommendations to present tomorrow.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Robert M. Garrett, Executive Secretary.

