



NATIONAL LOCAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ASSOCIATION

Joint Safety Work Group Meeting

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Meeting Minutes

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Introductions and new JSLT member: Everyone in attendance introduced themselves. Janet informed the group that Nicole Frankl (NE LTAP) is now part of the 5 person Joint Safety Leadership Team (JSLT), replacing Marie Walsh (LA LTAP), who is stepping down from the JSLT.

Feedback on region meeting safety component and Monday pre-conference session: After discussion about the format and content of the last several region and annual meeting safety sessions, the group consensus was that (1) region meetings should be shorter than a dedicated half-day (2) pre-conference sessions should be Train-the-Trainer or Center Best Practices oriented (3) A center show and tell next year is favorable (4) it would be helpful if state safety engineers could also attend region meetings (5) could we do a virtual meeting between centers and DOT safety counterparts? (6) Pre-conference activities should be in the second half day to continue to allow for AM travel for those who need it.

Safety achievement award: Marie suggested we offer a safety achievement award to be presented with the professional development award at the annual conference. Everyone agreed it was worth pursuing. Marie is going to lead the effort in proposed criteria for review by the NLTAPA Executive Committee.

Suggestions/volunteers for AASHTO SCOHTS, APWA Safety, and NACE Safety committees: The following agreed to fulfill and/or continue with liaison spots: Tony Lorenzetti (APWA Safety Subcommittee); NACE Safety Committee (David Orr, Lisa Harris, Keith Knapp). We still need a DOT Center staff to liaison with the AASHTO SCOHTS group.

Suggestions for webinar topics: Possibilities include: Behavioral Safety/ Worker-Work Zone Safety/ Technologies/ Local Road Safety Plans/ TZD at the local level.

How to better engage WG members and get more centers interested? We need to make a concerted effort to publicize our events more.....marketing and communications! One recommendation for the NLTAPA.ORG page is to add a spot for peer to peer help, such as a "Need help with Safety?" component or similar. There was also discussion about adding a Safety Circuit Rider Forum to the CH forums.