



## **Committee on Accessible Transportation and Mobility Transportation Research Board**

**October 2024**

### **Item 1: Committee Meeting**

AME50's fall meeting took place virtually on November 1. The meeting materials and discussion summary can be found on our [committee meetings page](#).

### **Item 2: AME50 Mentoring Program**

A reminder that AME50 has a peer-to-peer mentoring program where we match long-time TRBers with professionals new to our committee or the industry. We will maintain a directory of seasoned members and friends that will be made available to those members/friends interested in mentorship support.

If you would like to be included in our mentor directory, please [complete this form](#). If you are interested in mentorship support, [please complete this form](#).

### **Item 3: TRANSED Conference**

The next conference is tentatively planned for 2026, outside of the U.S. Unfortunately, the potential sponsor we had identified in our July meeting is no longer in a position to sponsor.

If you are aware of any potential sponsors, please reach out to [Judy](#). This [flyer](#) can be shared with potential sponsors to provide them with information.

#### **Item 4: TRB Annual Meeting**

**Committee meeting:** Monday, January 6, from 1:30 – 5:30 p.m. at the Marriot Marquis Independence Salon D (M4). A virtual connection will be provided. If you are interested in giving a 5-7 minute highlight presentation on research or initiatives of interest the committee (no commercial products), please [fill in this form](#).

**Workshop:** 'Innovation, Equity, and Accessibility in Aviation and Advanced Air Mobility: Oh, the Places We Can Go!'. The workshop will take place on Thursday, January 9, from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. in Convention Center 140.

**Lectern sessions:** 'Accessibility of Streetscapes and Measurement Tools' on Monday January 6, from 8:00 – 9:45 a.m. & 'Public Transit Use and Traveler Needs' from 10:15 a.m. – 12: 00 p.m., both in Convention Center 146C.

**Poster session:** 'Research and Innovation in Accessible Transportation and Mobility' will take place on Tuesday January 7, from 3:45 – 5:30 p.m. in Convention Center Hall A.

#### **Item 5: Committee Liaisons**

To collaborate and coordinate with other committees, we've established liaison roles to bring relevant information back to our committee, and to bring our content to others. If you are part of another committee and can serve in this role, please reach out to [Todd](#).

#### **Item 6: Research Task Force**

Information on topic development is organized in [AME50 Research Google Drive Folder](#) and an explanation of the process can be found on this [planning page](#).

If you are interested in being part of the task force that develops research needs statements, please use the [Sign-up sheet](#) or reach out to [Yochai](#).

#### **Item 7: Seeking Guest Contributors**

Members and Friends can make submissions to the AME50 Quarterly Newsletter using the following guidelines:

- Content shared must be aligned with the mission and activities of AME50 and its members and friends.
- Members and friends who wish to include content in the AME50 Quarterly newsletter must be able to articulate this connection and do so in their request to include the content.
- The newsletter is not a forum to share information about commercial products or revenue generating services.
- The content must appeal to a range of AME50 members – across professional disciplines – across geographies, etc.
- AME50 Leadership will make decisions regarding content that will be included in the newsletter based on the relevance and appropriateness of the content to our members, the currency of the topic, and the availability of space in the newsletter.

This information can also be found on our [web site](#). To contribute content, please send your request to [Susan](#).

#### **Item 8: Reminders**

- You can visit our [web site](#) for the latest AME50 information, including meeting minutes and member resources.
- Please make sure to keep your MyTRB profile information, especially your contact details and committee friendships, up to date so that you don't miss out on information.

#### **Item 9: Questions?**

Contact your AME50 Co-Chairs:

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