

## Cost Estimation TAG Coordinator

October 16, 2001 4:30-7:30 p.m.  
Indianapolis, Indiana

The meeting convened at 4:30 p.m. with the current members in attendance: Dino Sarganis, Colorado; Mike Fowler, Vermont; Jeff Hisem, Ohio; Andrea Spriggs, Maryland; Jennie Carlson, Minnesota; Shirley Daugherty, Nebraska proxy.

### Roll Call

Roll Call was completed and 19 members were present, 3 of which were Info Tech representatives.

2000 TAG Meeting Minutes were read and approved.

### Review of Mission Statement Goals.

The TAG Mission Statement was reviewed and it was unanimously approved with no changes.

To provide a forum for users of Trns\*port estimation products, to discuss maintenance issues and proposed enhancements, making recommendations to the user group general body and Trns\*port Task Force.

#### 1. Review Status of Short Term Goals.

Short Term goals were reviewed and approved with no changes.

- Setup a communication network for the Transportation Estimators Association.
- Encourage users to post problems and/or solutions on the listserv as a means of sharing all available information regarding the implementation of CES and its use.
- For Design/Build contracts, compile all available information from each state that has processed and estimated a design/build contract to build and develop best practices for estimating these contracts.

#### 2. Reviewed Status of Long Term Goals and approved with no changes.

- The long-term goals are: Promote the use of AASHTO/Trns\*port estimating software.
- Maintain existing estimating software and keep current with technology.
- Education of the AASHTO community as to:
  - 1) Available products and their use.
  - 2) How to use available products.

Support implementation of existing software.

### Discussion of Ballot Items.

TAG notes NBI 2001 4611 should be considered a High Priority.

TAG recommends combining NBI 2001 4252 and NBI 2001 4618.

TAG recommends considering moving NBI 2001 4620 to the General ballot items because the same functionality needs to be in PES and LAS.

TAG supports Infotech's recommendation to reexamine NBI 2001 4649, NBI 2001 4651, NBI 2001 4656, and NBI 2001 4662 at next year's TAG meeting once the next CES product update is released as this version may address these ballot items.

TAG notes NBI 2001 4837 should be considered a Low Priority because this ballot item can be addressed through the RTF Report Facility.

The TAG currently supports all other ballot items.