



Board of Directors

Jan Oliver Voss, MSc, P.Eng., PTOE

Organizational Director (Canada), Chair



Jan Oliver Voss brings his expertise in traffic engineering as both Founder and current President of Creative Transportation Solutions Ltd. (CTS), one of Western Canada's largest traffic engineering consulting firms. His responsibilities include leading a team of 25+ technical and field staff, spearheading business development, and ensuring a high standard of quality in various projects. He is a registered Professional Engineer in British Columbia and the Northwest Territories/Nunavut with 34 years of direct experience in the field of traffic engineering and operations. In addition, Jan is a certified Expert Witness in traffic engineering by the Supreme Court of British Columbia. He has served as president for both ITE Canada (formerly CITE) and the ITE Greater Vancouver Section. In recognition of his extensive contributions to the field of traffic engineering, Jan received ITE Canada's H. Robert Burton Distinguished Service Award in June 2016, ITE Canada's Volunteer of the Year Award in 2010, and ITE BC Transportation Professional of the Year Award in 2004. He is a Fellow of ITE. Jan has been a huge supporter of the PTOE program since it was first introduced to Canada. Since 2000, Jan spearheaded a program to enhance the profile of the PTOE designation in Western Canada and to increase the number of PTOEs, which included organizing and co-teaching PTOE refresher courses in British Columbia.

David A. Petrucci, Jr., P.E., PTOE, RSP2I

Organizational Director (National or State), Chair



David A. Petrucci, Jr. is a Senior Safety Engineer and member of the Safety and Design Technical Service Team in the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Resource Center. He has served in this position for the past 10 years. David has more than 20 years of traffic engineering experience in consulting and government while specializing in intersection and roadway safety and provides technical assistance, training, and technology deployment to state, local, and tribal governments throughout the United States. He is an active member of ITE at the local and international levels including serving as a member of Executive Committee of the ITE Traffic Engineering Council (2011 to 2017), and the ITE Safety Council as Vice-Chair (2016 to 2018) and Chair (2018 to 2020). Prior to joining FHWA, David worked as a consulting traffic engineer for public and private sector clients throughout the United States, specializing in transportation operations, roadway design, simulation modeling, and traffic study services.

Joseph C. Balskus, P.E., PTOE, RSP1

Discipline Director, Immediate Past Chair



Joe Balskus is an Associate and Director of Transportation Systems in VHB's Wethersfield, CT, USA office. For more than 36 years, Joe has been leading the technical design and managing progressive transportation systems and championing innovative traffic and safety accommodations in local communities. Joe believes in continuing education and that professional certification is a testament to ongoing learning in the profession. He is a certified Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE) since 2001 and a Roadway Safety Professional Level 1 (RSP1). He was appointed Chair of the ITE Roundabout Standing Committee for 2024 after serving as Vice Chair since 2021. For complete streets, Joe was appointed by the Connecticut Legislature in 2013 to serve on the Connecticut Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board, the state's Complete Streets advocacy quasi-public board, where he has served as Secretary since 2015. Joe has received numerous project and professional awards, including many for his continued ITE service, including as Chair of the ITE Northeastern District, and for participation in the ITE section and local chapter levels. He served as President of the ITE Connecticut Chapter and New England Section of ITE, as well as President of the Intelligent Transportation Society of Connecticut, and served as board member and Treasurer of the New England Parking Council. He served as Co-Chair of the Northeastern Districts 2013 and 2019 Annual Meetings, and in 2019 he was awarded the Harvey Boutwell award, the District's highest award for dedicated service. Joe has moderated/presented at TRB International Roundabout Conferences in Seattle, Green Bay, and Monterey. He has also presented at ITE National and District Annual meetings. Locally, Joe spends his time exploring sustainable transportation and new technologies with his students at the University of New Haven and Central Connecticut State University (CCSU) where he serves as an Adjunct Professor teaching Traffic Engineering. He also serves on the CCSU Civil Engineering Advisory Board for the last 15 years, his alma mater where he was twice awarded Outstanding Alumnus of the Year. Joe walks the walk and bikes the routes that he studies and designs. He is an avid cyclist, riding year-round off road as well as a triathlete, completing dozens of triathlons and half Iron Mans.

Nathan Becknell, P.E., PTP, PTOE

Discipline Director



Nathan Becknell is a Principal and Manager of the Fayetteville, AR, USA office for Traffic Engineering Consultants, Inc. (TEC) where he works on a variety of transportation focused areas including signal designs and timing, safety studies, bike/ped advocacy, impact analysis, and policy promotion. He received both his Bachelor of Science in Civil

Engineering and Master of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Arkansas and has held multiple leadership roles within the profession including MOVITE President and ARITE co-Administrator. Prior to his employment with TEC, Nathan worked for the City of Rogers, Arkansas for 5 years as a civil engineer, the last 2 of those years he served as the City Engineer. Nathan previously worked at Garver on the transportation team and Mobley Contractors as a foreman on a concrete pipe crew and concrete finishing crew.

Brandon Campbell, P.E., PTOE, RSP1

Discipline Director



Brandon Campbell is the Director of Transportation Services at the City of Tampa, where he oversees two divisions of the City's Mobility Department. He leads a team of approximately 100 engineers and technicians pursuing safe, context-appropriate transportation options ranging from multi-modal network improvements to smart cities infrastructure. Brandon has spent the last eight years with the City of Tampa in various transportation leadership positions. In his current position he leads his team through planning, design, construction, operation, and maintenance of transportation assets in pursuit of Mayor Castor's vision to Transform Tampa's Tomorrow. Before moving to Florida, he served as a Traffic Engineer with the Missouri Department of Transportation for 12 years. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in both Florida and Missouri and is certified as a Professional Traffic Operations Engineer and a Road Safety Professional. He is currently serving as a Discipline Director elected to the Transportation Professional Certification Board. Additionally, he serves as a Board Member of Tampa's Historic Streetcar board under appointment by Mayor Jane Castor. He earned his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and a Master of Public Affairs from the University of Missouri—Columbia. He spends his free time volunteering at his church and pursuing outdoor activities with his wife and three kids.

Brian E. Chandler, P.E., PTOE, RSP2BI

Organizational Director



Brian Chandler is a Principal and National Director for Transportation Safety at DKS Associates, Seattle, WA, USA. He leads safety planning and analysis projects for local, regional, state, and federal clients while overseeing the firm's safety practice. Brian has previously served in traffic operations and traffic safety leadership roles for the Missouri Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and Leidos. Brian is considered a national expert in data analysis, engineering countermeasure implementation, safety evaluation, safety planning, and safety management. In 2016 Brian authored a university textbook, *Roadway Safety: Identifying Needs and Implementing Countermeasures*. Brian earned his Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE) certification in 2004, and in 2018 he was in the first cohort to earn the Road Safety Professional Level 1 (RSP) certification. He followed up in 2019 as part of the first group of certification holders for the RSP Level 2 Infrastructure (RSP2I) and RSP Level 2 Behavioral (RSP2B). Brian was Co-Founder and President of the Central Missouri Chapter of ITE (CMITE), State Director of the Missouri Valley Section (MOVITE), and he currently serves as Co-Chair of the ITE Washington Section Safety Committee.

Josée Dumont, P.Eng., RSP2IB

Organizational Director



Josée Dumont is a Transportation Safety Engineer with True North Safety Group, working in the Greater Toronto Area in Ontario, Canada. She has more than 17 years of experience working in consulting, generally for public sector clients and is a registered Professional Engineer in the Canadian provinces of Ontario and Québec. She is a Road Safety Professional Level 2 with both the Infrastructure and Behavioral specialties (RSP2IB). Josée specializes in transportation safety for all modes, with a broad experience working on site safety and operations assessments, road safety audits, in-service road safety reviews, collision and conflict analysis, roadway safety management, systemic safety, and policy review and development. She also provides expert forensic investigation services with respect to the design, operation, and maintenance of transportation infrastructure. She has provided safety-related training for various organizations, including ITE Canada at the district and chapter levels, the Ontario Traffic Council, and the Global Road Safety Facility group of the World Bank. She earned a Bachelor of Civil Engineering from École Polytechnique de Montréal (Québec, Canada) and a Masters of Applied Sciences in Civil Engineering, Transportation, from the University of Toronto (Ontario, Canada).

Nelson Galeano, P.E., PTP, PTOE, RSP1

Discipline Director



Nelson Galeano is a Civil Professional Engineer. His 26-year work and international experience spans transportation planning, travel-demand modeling, traffic engineering, and controlling focused on policy formulation at national, regional, and urban levels in transportation infrastructure projects. After his master studies in transportation planning and traffic engineering in Stuttgart (Germany), he worked for two years for a German company. His activity mainly focused on shopping centers, multiuse developments, and the redevelopment of some institutional areas (former U.S. military bases). He operated as an entry-level engineer performing traffic analysis and travel demand forecasting simulations for private developers. He came back to his native country (Colombia, South America) as part of the United Nations Developing Program in charge of the technical component of formulating the national urban transportation policy for the National Department of Planning under a private-public partnership. One of his most important remarks is Transmilenio, which is the best bus-guided transit system of the world and the structural stone for the citywide integral multimodal mobility plan for Bogota, capital of Colombia. After his relocation to the United States in 2022, he got a Master's degree in Management and worked for private engineering consulting companies doing transportation site impact analyses and transportation studies for public and private agencies using simulation and travel demand models. He started working in Manatee County, FL, USA 9 years ago at the transportation planning division as transportation systems engineer and is currently the transportation planning and traffic engineering division manager.

Kohinoor Kar, Ph.D., P.E., PTOE

Discipline Director



Dr. Kohinoor Kar is currently with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) as its Research Center Lead. In addition, he oversees agencywide federal discretionary grants. He has more than 30 years combined experience in roadway design, traffic and safety engineering, program and project management, and federal grants. Previously, he held critical positions in ADOT Multimodal

Planning Division, Research Center and Traffic Safety Section. He played key roles in the Arizona Highway Safety Improvement Program, Arizona Strategic Transportation Safety Plan, *Highway Safety Manual* training and implementation, and pilot applications of Human Factors Guidelines (NCHRP 600). Prior to joining ADOT, he worked for international consulting firms and universities. He has served on several prestigious committees and panels as a chair or member. Currently, Dr. Kar serves on the Transportation Research Board (TRB) Research Innovation Implementation Management committee (AJE35) and Pedestrians committee (ACH10) as a member, and also some *Highway Safety Manual* related NCHRP research panels as chair or member. He is on the Arizona P.E. licensing board's Examination Review Committee and Enforcement Advisory Committee. Dr. Kar has published several papers in peer-reviewed journals, and presented at several national and international conferences and webinars. He serves on the editorial boards of Elsevier's *Journal of Safety Research* and TRB's *Transportation Research Record*. He has reviewed numerous papers submitted to *ITE Journal*. He is a faculty associate at Arizona State University, Tempe, where he teaches a doctorate-level course on transportation safety, and also serves on doctoral dissertation and masters comprehensive exam committees. He taught several undergraduate and graduate engineering courses at Wayne State University (Michigan) and the University of Windsor (Ontario, Canada).

Pamela O'Brien, P.E., PTOE

Organizational Director



Pamela O'Brien is a senior transportation engineer at DKS Associates in Portland, OR, USA with more than 30 years of experience. Her focus is on operational analysis, signal timing development and implementation, advanced operations, automated traffic signal performance measurement, and systems engineering for ITS and traffic signal systems. She works with cities, counties, and state agencies

throughout the West to evaluate their existing signal systems and develop solutions that optimally meet their needs. Her passion is traffic signal operations and has developed and implemented traffic signal timings at more than 3,000 traffic signals, using virtually every local controller firmware in operations. Pam received her Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Minnesota and is a Member of ITE. She has been a certified Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE) since 2007 and is a registered Professional Engineer in Oregon, Washington, and Montana, USA. Pam served as President of the Oregon Section of ITE (2007), Oregon ITE Scholarship Chair (2009-present), Local Arrangements Committee (LAC) member for the 2023 ITE International Meeting in Portland, OR, USA, LAC member for the 2007 Western District Meeting in Portland, Traffic Control Devices Committee member (2013-2021), and is a Friend of the TRB Traffic Signal Systems Committee. In her free time, Pam enjoys traveling and all things outdoors, including hiking, camping, kayaking, golfing, biking, and walking her dog Nellie.

Walter Okitsu, P.E., PTOE, PTP, RSP2I

Discipline Director



Walter Okitsu is a principal at Lochner, serving in its KOA affiliate in Monterey Park, CA, USA. In 1987, he co-founded Katz, Okitsu & Associates, later renamed KOA Corporation, a traffic engineering and transportation planning based in Southern California. Previously, Walter served in the public sector with the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation. His focus has been on traffic impact studies, safety analyses, transportation design, and traffic operations. He is a licensed Professional Engineer in California, in Traffic Engineering and Civil Engineering, and is certified as a Professional Traffic Operations

Engineer (PTOE), Professional Transportation Planner (PTP), and Road Safety Professional (RSP2I). In 1998, he was instrumental in the effort to retain the Traffic Engineering P.E. License in California during attempts by the state legislature to eliminate it. Walter earned a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics-Computer Science from UCLA, a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from California State University, Los Angeles, and a Master of Science in Transportation Engineering from the University of California, Berkeley. He has taught traffic engineering and transportation engineering courses at UCLA to undergraduate and graduate students.

Walter has held several leadership positions within ITE, including Southern California Section President, Western District President, and International Director for the Western District. He has assisted the Transportation Professional Certification Board (TPCB) in roles such as panel member for the PTOE examination standards setting and classifications. He is on the Board of Directors for the American Council of Engineering Companies of California, representing the Los Angeles County Chapter. He is a daily bicycle commuter using his folding e-bike upon roadways and public transit vehicles in Southern California.

Bernie Wagenblast

Public Director



Bernie Wagenblast is a transportation journalist. She's the host of the *ITE Talks Transportation* and *The Stream by AASHTO* podcasts. Bernie had her start in the transportation field as one of the original Shadow Traffic reporters in New York City, NY, USA in 1979. Following this, she worked on transportation in the public sector with NYCDOT and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. For nearly a decade, she served as the operations manager of TRANSCOM, a multi-agency information center, and was involved with the creation of the I-95 Corridor Coalition. Following that, she worked in the private sector for firms such as TransCore, SmartRoute Systems, and Westwood One. Bernie does a variety of transportation voiceover work and can be heard on PATCO, the New York City subway system, and the AirTrain at Newark Airport. She also narrates many of the online courses offered to ITE members through the Consortium for Innovative Transportation Education at the University of Maryland. She's the editor of several transportation e-publications, including the *Transportation Communications Newsletter* and the *AASHTO Daily Transportation Update*.

Steve Kuciemba

Executive Director and CEO



Steve Kuciemba is the Executive Director and CEO of the Transportation Professional Certification Board Inc. and ITE—A Community of Transportation Professionals. Steve joined ITE in 2022 as the Chief Technical Officer and ascended to CEO in November of 2023 upon the retirement of longtime CEO Jeff Paniati. Prior to joining ITE, Steve had a 36-year career in transportation—starting at the engineering levels with General Motors and the Maryland State Highway Administration, and gaining additional valuable experience with a technology start-up focused on the early stages of advanced travel information distribution. In 2000 he joined the staff of ITS America and rose to Executive Vice President, functioning as the COO and gaining broad experience in association leadership. He then joined Parsons Brinckerhoff as their National ITS Practice Leader, and after the acquisition by WSP he continued to function in that role for a total of nearly 15 years in consulting. He has a bachelor's degree in industrial engineering from the University of Michigan and continues this day as Chair of the External Advisory Board for the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute. Steve is a Fellow of ITE and has been a member since 1991.