2025 ITS Georgia Board Meeting

July 31, at 10:00 AM
Remote

ITS GEORGIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers/Directors (2024-2025):	Directors 2024-2025:	Directors 2025-2026:
Matt Glasser, President	Kaitlyn Stewart	Gautam Mistry
Holly Painter, Vice President	Alex Estrada	Kelly Patrick
Michael Presley, Secretary	Kate Shearin	Steven Sheffield
Farrah Glasgow, Treasurer	Derrick Crowder	Mary Thumaty
Tom Glueckert, Past President		Troy Galloway
Ex-Officio		Greg Ramsey
Sarah Lamothe, FHWA		
State Chapter Representative	2025 Smart Summit Chair	2027 Annual Meeting Chair
Mike Holt	ITSGA Board	Greg Ramsey

Committee	Lead	Assistant(s)	Officer Support
Programs	Kaitlyn	**Registration:** Kaitlyn, Kelly **Sponsors / Technical:** Steven, Mary **Venue / Food:** Kate	Vice President
Training	Mary	Gautam, Alex	Vice President
Social	George	Kaitlyn, Steven, Troy, Gautam	Vice President
Service / Outreach	Gautam		Vice President
Membership	Troy	Kate, Kaitlyn	Treasurer
A / V	Ken Keena	Gautam	Secretary
Communications	Steven	**Constant Contact:** Steven **Buffer:** Holly (for time being – Steven as shadow) **Website Management:** Alex, Kelly **Calendar:** Kelly	Secretary
Elections	Tom		Past President
Awards	Tom		Past President
ITS Rep	Mike Holt		Past President
Legislative / Bylaws	Mary	Steven, Alex	President
2027 Annual Meeting	Greg		President
Student Chapter	Greg	**KSU:** Gautam **GT:** Greg **UGA:** Gautam	President

Agenda

10:00 AM – Start Meeting

- Welcome!
- **MOTION** – Approve Board Meeting Minutes – Steven made a motion, Mary- Approved.
- **Vice President Update**
  - **Programs Committee**

	Topic	Speaker	Sponsor	Location
8 / 24-8 / 28	ITS World Congress	-	-	-
9 / 17	Lidar Technology	Will Ortiz	Seyond	KSU
10 / 22	GDOT V2X Update	Victoria Coulter	Applied Information	iATL
11 / 12	Awards Banquet	Glasser		Maggiano's ??
12 / 24 ??	*recommend training*	ITSA??		
1/28				
2/25				
3/xx	Southeast Summit	-	-	-

    - **ACTION:** Start looking for January and February of next year
  - **Training**
    - Recommended training months
      - December – ITSA? Will begin planning this month.
    - Want to make sure trainings are advertised 2 months in advance (since they are longer duration)
    - HERO training facility is great. Would like to reuse if possible for December.
    - Consider increasing capacity for training (since a lot of people no-showed)
  - **Networking & Social**
    - ITE/ITS Braves game is set for Friday, Aug 8th –
      - 40 tickets have been purchased.
      - will need assistance setting up a CC page and we can charge $20/per ticket (to recoup half the cost).
      - ITE is handling purchasing space for the tailgate so if we setup the page in the meantime can just say 'tailgate info to come'
    - Social on 7/30 had 10 attendees.
    - Planning social after December training
    - A/E Pickleball
  - **Service / Outreach**
    - Aug 5 - Girls in Engineering (GA Tech Partnership). Georgia Tech: Workshop focused on civil & traffic engineering careers for high school girls.
    - Aug 10 - ITS Georgia STEM Night at the Battery. Truist Park, Atlanta: Family-friendly evening with STEM booths from local ITS companies.
    - Aug 15-17 - Black STEM Student Transportation Challenge. Emory University: Hackathon-style weekend tackling real-world urban mobility challenges.
    - Aug 23 - DOT Career Exploration Day. GDOT Main Office: Students shadow engineers and learn about DOT careers in traffic management.
    - Aug 30 - LiDAR in the Lab: Tech Meets Infrastructure Demo. Curiosity Lab, Peachtree Corners: STEM-focused showcase of new ITS tools, including pedestrian detection demos.
      - ACTION: Greg to provide information to the board on this event.
    - ACEC booth – will need dedicated volunteers for this event (October 25th).

- **Treasurer Update**
  - Financial Report

- 2025 Budget & Financials
- **Membership**
  - 2025 Goal: 85 Members. Current: 77 (previous 72)
  - 2025 Strategic Plan
    - Meeting and website reminders needed :
      - Revise small business to 5 people.
      - increase $50 / year over the next 2 years rate for small business.
      - Increase $50 / year over the next 2 years rate for large business
    - Ongoing Reminder: Make sure annual meeting pricing is commensurate with 2 people moving forward.
- Holly investigating iPower charge.
- ITS SE Summit will have discount for members of chapters – will want to broadcast membership ASAP to lock people back in.
- **ACTION:** Shift some money out of Paypal.

Secretary Update

- **ACTION:** Update meeting invites for September board meeting and monthly meeting to September 17 and include room location.
- **ACTION:** Gautam to confirm with KSU team on location.
- **Audio-Visual**
  - Will be live streaming and recording training
  - ITSGA YouTube Home Page: https://www.youtube.com/c/ITSGeorgia
    - *This address stays constant and has a link to the next live stream.*
  - New backdrop discussion
  - Ken and Tyler looking into lighting and other equipment needs.
- **Communications**
  - Constant Contact communications
    - Going well and in a groove
  - Buffer
  - Website Management –
    - uploaded some job postings and member info.
    - PDHs are caught up.
      - Rick Ayers sending for July training – these will not be posted.
    - Replace TN event with SE summit.
  - Calendar – events for July and August are good.

Past President Update

- Engineering Georgia bimonthly submission
- **Elections**
  - 6/1 – Nominations live (Done)
  - 8/1 – Board verifies nominees (virtual vote)
  - 9/1 – Voting live
  - 11/1 – Voting deadline
  - 11/13 – Banquet/announcements
  - Officers
    - President: Holly. Confirmed meets criteria
    - VP: Kaitlyn. Confirmed meets criteria
    - Treasurer: Farrah. Confirmed meets criteria
    - Secretary: Presley. Confirmed meets criteria
  - Board of Directors
    - Kate Shearin. Confirmed meets criteria
    - George Curtis. Confirmed meets criteria

- Andy p. will require exemption and vote
- Merri. will require exemption and vote
- Rod. will require exemption and vote

- General commentary
  - Difficult to get good buzz for directors/officers
  - Would be helpful to have each BOD nominate someone not presently on the board.

- **Awards**
  - Submission form developed and released.
    - **ACTION:** Would be helpful to have each BOD nominate at least one award.
  - This will stay open until end of September.
- **ITS America Rep**

- **President Update**
  - **Legislative Committee**
    - Legislative update attached
    - Bylaws Update & Board Rules Documentation to start back up
  - **Student Chapter/Scholarship**
  - **Conferences**
    - 2025 ITS World Congress
      - 15% discount link: http://itsamericaevents2025.com/statechapter
      - Georgia technical track confirmed – should be able to select a filter on ITS WC's website
      - No update on GDOT's booth. Matt to follow-up with GDOT
    - 2026 SE Summit
      - RFP sent to all chapters and members for technical sessions (due end of August)
      - Venue: Charlotte Conference Center (Near NASCAR hall of fame)
      - Date: March 22-25, 2026
    - 2027
      - 2 hosting options have submitted proposal so far.
      - Look at Jekyll, not a lot available in middle Georgia
      - 250+ attendance
- Other Items/Concerns
  - Open Conversation
- Adjourn Meeting ~ 11:00 AM

- **ITS Georgia 2025 Legislative and Monthly Meeting Speaker Summary**
- **2025 Legislative Update on Transportation Bills**
- **🚗 Georgia Transportation Legislative Update**

Bill #	Title / Description	Status & Effective Date
HB 575	*Department of Transportation – Public Hearing Notices* – Amends Title 32 by allowing GDOT to use electronic/publication notices for certain hearings	✅ Passed both chambers; Effective July 1, 2025 legis.ga.gov+3legiscan.com+3legiscan.com+3
HB 114	Updates federal compliance references for Commercial Motor Vehicle standards	✅ Passed House & Senate, signed by Gov.; Effective July 1, 2025
HB 296	Requires law enforcement to accept digital driver's licenses during traffic stops	✅ Signed into law; Effective May 15, 2025
SB 244	Introduces Georgia "America First" specialty license plate options, tied to vehicle registration	✅ Signed into law; Effective May 15, 2025
SB 291	Makes redistricting or transportation-related license plate adjustments part of larger infrastructure discussions (general context)	✅ Signed; Effective May 15, 2025
Vertiport Legislation	Classifies eVTOL 'vertiports' as general	✅ Passed Technology & Innovation Committee, next in 2026

Bill #	Title / Description	Status & Effective Date
	aviation facilities eligible for funding, enabling future air-taxi infrastructure	
Speed Camera Reform	Two bills targeting automated school-zone speed cameras—one to ban them entirely; the other to restrict signage/timing requirements	✓ House passed both; working toward Senate approval (see HB 225 & SB 75)

- **➕ Other Transportation Funding Items**
- **Amended FY 2025 State Budget (HB 67):**
  - $200M added to GDOT for storm-response, debris removal, and routine maintenance.
  - Gas-tax shortfalls from fuel tax suspension (~$98.9M) covered via Capital Construction funding 11alive.com+10legis.ga.gov+10legis.ga.gov+10.
- **Local Infrastructure Grants:**
  - $265M for Local Maintenance & Improvement (LMIG); $46M to Transportation Infrastructure Bank for new roads and local transit infrastructure atlantafi.com.

MISSION

We believe that ITS is a valuable tool for improved management of any transportation system, regardless of the inherent complexity of the system. ITS can help operate, manage, and maintain the system once it has been constructed.

We believe that ITS should be systematically incorporated into the earliest stages of project development, especially into the planning and design of transportation projects.

We believe the best way to achieve this systematic incorporation into the process is through a coordinated, comprehensive program to “get out the word” on ITS to constituencies that might not otherwise consider the relevance of ITS to their transportation system.

GOALS

1. Provide forums to share and coordinate ITSGA member missions and experiences

2. Educate our members of national directions and technologies

3. Develop a broader ITS constituency

4. Educate policy makers (e.g., agency administrators, county commissioners, mayors, planning commissions, etc.) on benefits of continued operations and maintenance and how ITS can help.