2026 ITS Georgia Board Meeting
April 22, 2026, at 10:00 AM VIRTUAL

ITS GEORGIA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Officers (2026-2028)	Directors (2025-2027)	Directors (2026-2028):
Holly Painter, President	Gautam Mistry	Kate Shearin
Kaitlyn Stewart, Vice President	Kelly Patrick	George Curtis
Michael Presley, Secretary	Steven Sheffield	Andy Phlegar
Farrah Glasgow, Treasurer	Mary Thumaty	Merri Minshew
Matt Glasser, Past President	Troy Galloway	
	Greg Ramsey	
Ex-Officio		
Sarah Lamothe, FHWA		
Robert Buckley, FTA		
State Chapter Representative	2026 SE Summit Chair	2027 Annual Meeting Chair
Mike Holt	ITS Georgia Board	Greg Ramsey

Committee	**Lead**	**Assistant(s)**	**Officer Support**
Programs	Merri/Kaitlyn	**Registration Desk:** Merri **Registration Page:** Kate **Sponsors / Technical:** Kate **Venue / Food:** Merri/Kate **Speaker Gifts**: Mary **Outside Volunteers:** Joe Gillis, Emily Dwyer, Vamshi Degala	Vice President
Training	Andy and Troy		Vice President
Social	George	Merri **Outside Volunteers:** Vamshi Degala	Vice President
Service / Outreach	Gautam	George, Steven	Vice President
Membership	Kate	Andy, Troy	Treasurer
A / V	Ken	Tyler	Secretary
Pictures		Joe Gillis	Secretary
Communications	Kelly	**Constant Contact:** Steven with assist from Greg **Buffer:** Steven **Website Management:** Kelly with assist from Mary and Steven **Calendar:** Kelly	Secretary
Elections	Matt	All board	Past President
Awards	Matt	All board	Past President
ITS Rep	Mike		Past President
ACEC Engineering GA	Matt	Joe Gillis	Past President
Legislative / Bylaws	Mary	Matt	President
2027 Annual Meeting	Greg	Holly	President
Student Chapter	Gautam, Greg	**KSU:** Gautam **GT:** Greg **UGA:** Greg **Scholarship:** Kaitlyn	President
FHWA	Sarah		President

Federal Transit Administration	Robert Buckley		President

Agenda
10:00 AM – Start Meeting

- Welcome!
- **MOTION** – Approve Meeting Minutes from March. Kate made a motion, seconded and passed unanimously by the board members present.
- **Vice President Update (Kaitlyn)**
  - **Programs Committee (Merri/Kaitlyn)**

	Topic / Speaker	Location	Food	Sponsor
April 4.22.26	Serra Hall – Rivian Plant project	City Springs - 1 Galambos Wy, Sandy Springs, GA 30328	will order through City Springs, has not been set yet	Temple
May 5.27.26	Clement Soloman (GDOT Division director of intermodal) speaking about advanced air mobility	HNTB Office - 1150 Spring St NW Suite 1100, Atlanta, GA 30309	will order on site once we get closer and venue is locked in- Use Easy Catering	Lumin8
June 6.24.26	2025 Award Winners? Canned food drive	Maggiano's? Mary to schedule	if we do Maggiano's as the venue, this is set	Utilicom
July Tentative 7.29 SS is 7.20-7.22	Networking GDOT/SigOps rundown setup/training	HERO Marietta (Need to confirm)	Chick fila (Need to order)	Soan Choa sponsored – pending payment for membership
August 8.26.26 SASHTO 8.23-8.26	Chris Novac / GA Ports	Mary Mac's or Monday Night – pending confirmations	Food taken care of there	KCI
September 9.23.26	Dr Hunter AI driven traffic signal control	Near tech requested		Kimley Horn
October 10.28.26	Joint Meeting ITE World Cup Recap?			360ns
November 11.17.26	Awards/New Board	Maggiano's	Maggiano's	Temple
December 12.3.26	2027 Strategic Planning Meeting	Monday Night Grove	Monday Night Grove	N/A
December 12.16.26	Holiday Party	Mutation Brewery if holiday party		Soan Choa sponsored – pending payment for membership

    - ***PROGRAMS ACTION ITEMS:***
      - *Verify Soan pays for membership so we can blast on the website for sponsors; Kate*
  - **Training (Andy/Troy)**
    - Consider increasing capacity for training (since a lot of people no-show)
    - Advertising training 2 months in advance

- Scot wants to do a free webinar for influence section that we didn't get to.
- Sam Harris and Sam Hindau are organizing a Ritus training at the end of May.
- July ideas:
  - Networking/technology information session – HERO unit in Marietta
- ITS is publishing new specs (finalized and in engineering services hands)
- ***TRAINING ACTION ITEMS:***
  - *Reach out to Mary on the HERO, Troy/Andy*
  - *Chick fila for lunch for July, Troy/Andy*
  - *Book Holiday Party for December. Troy/Andy*
  - *Send n b-blast to promote Ritus training in May*

- **Networking & Social (George)**
  - 2026 Joint ITE/ITS Braves Game – Sold out
    - 70 tickets purchased and 65 of them sold out very fast. Lessons learned, we need to charge a little more than $25.
    - George emailed ITE to request if we wanted more tickets, they need to put in some money for this. They have not contributed $$ so far.
  - October 8th pickleball – Hosted through ACECGA website
  - ***NETWORKING/SOCIAL ACTION ITEMS:***
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- **Service / Outreach (Gautam)**
  - Must ministries in Marietta; bring a canned food to June Meeting at Maggiano's. Troy to gather food. Reminder to include the information from Troy in the June meeting.
  - ***SERVICE/OUTREACH ACTION ITEMS:***
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➢ **Treasurer Update (Farrah)**

- Financial Report
  - 2026 Budget & Financials
- 2026 Committee Budget Discussion
  - Auto payments with new card should be updated. Everyone monitor their emails in case we missed something.
  - ***TREASURER ACTION ITEMS***
    - *Go to BOA with Holly for authorization; Meeting 4/29*
- **Membership (Kate)**
  - 2026 Goal: 75 Members. Current:
  - ***MEMBERSHIP ACTION ITEMS:***
    - *Update the website for the new member; Kate/Kelly*
    - *Kate to target the members individually; Board Members*

➢ **Secretary Update (Michael P)**

- ***SECRETARY ACTION ITEMS:***
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- **Audio-Visual (Ken)**
  - A new laptop is still being considered. Not to replace existing ITSGA A/V laptop, which is used for communication to the video switcher and for video processing, but to replace the laptop used for presentations, which is currently a Gwinnett owned laptop. Ken will share more information and push this up through the proper channels (Michael and Farrah.)
  - Microsoft Office License for the PP.
  - ITSGA YouTube Home Page: https://www.youtube.com/c/ITSGeorgia
    - *This address stays constant and has a link to the next live stream.*
  - ***AV ACTION ITEMS:***
    - *Ken informed Farrah and Michael to purchase the laptop and the license. Michael to reach out to Ken to move forward.*
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- **Communications (Kelly)**

- Constant Contact (Steven)
- Buffer (Steven/Holly)
- Website Management (Kelly)
- Calendar (All Board)
- ***COMMUNICATIONS ACTION ITEMS:***
  - Kelly to post meeting minutes to website
  - Kelly to get pictures posted on the website; Kelly

➢ **Past President Update (Matt)**

- ***PAST PRESIDENT ACTION ITEMS:***
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○ Engineering Georgia bimonthly submission

○ **Elections & Awards**

- Nominations and awards are out and will be up all year. Please nominate someone in 2026.
  - Board of directors nominations: ITS Georgia Board of Director Nominations 2026 – Fill out form we have 6 confirmed candidates
  - Awards Nominations: ITS Georgia Awards Nominations 2026 – Fill out form
- QR code at the table of the month meeting as well as a QR on the screen of each meeting

○ **Future Board Members**

- Vamshi Degala – yes interested and confirmed. George
- Joe Gillis – yes interested and nominated. Holly *COMPLETE*
- Casey Inoue – yes interested. Kaitlyn
- Challa Bonja – yes nominated. Kelly
- Kelly Patrick – yes nominated. Holly *COMPLETE*
- Greg Ramsey – yes nominated. Holly *COMPLETE*
- ***ACTION ITEMS:***
  - *Officially nominate on the website if you have someone; Board*

○ **ITS America State Chapter Rep (Mike)**

- ITSA conference in Detroit
  - Promote the ITSA conference for us to get 15% off
- ***ITS AMERICA REP ACTION ITEMS:***
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➢ **President Update (Holly)**

- ***PRESIDENT ACTION ITEMS:***
  - *Gather meeting minutes for the website. In progress*
  - *Name badges for the board; Kelly and Holly In progress*

○ **Legislative Committee (Mary)**

- Legislative update
- Bylaws update after session 2026 ends
- ***LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEMS:***
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○ **Student Chapter/Scholarship**

- Possible student chapter action items for 2026:
  - Road Safety Audit with Students planning for the spring potentially April
  - Work with Young Members on Resume Review
  - Traffic bowl competition
  - Traffic bowl social event (event of young members vs the students) for training
  - Ensure at least 2 technical presentations in each university

- Coordinate on career fairs for each university (civil engineering general and ITE career fairs if applicable)
- $5 membership fee; with a plan to cover this fee for the first 20 students- no clear answer during meeting.

▪ GT & UGA (Greg)
▪ KSU (Gautam)
▪ Student Chapter call 3/20. Open discussion (Kaitlyn)
- Waive or reimburse (gift card/cash/check) $5 student member fee
  - For first 20 of members who sign up in each chapter
  - The $5 student member fee goes to the general ITS Georgia Account per Matt G.
- Small participation stipend to student officers to be awarded at the end of the year to ensure complete term
  - President: $100
  - VP/Treasurer/Secretary: $50
- Paying for transportation to attend ITSGA Monthly meetings
  - Rent a van
  - Provide uber/Lyft gift cards – provide the receipt and we can reimburse
- Scholarship to attend Annual Meeting
  - Cover registration, hotel and per diem

▪ ***STUDENT CHAPTER ACTION ITEMS:***
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○ **Conferences**
▪ ITS American Conference
- Location: Detroit
- Potential Candidates for state chapter: Annabelle Gauntley and Greg

▪ TIME Task Force
- Location: Columbus GA
- Dates: Oct 4-7
- Sponsorship level – suggest $500 which we normally do- agreed to sponsor
- Who attend? Mary volunteered to attend
- Booth?

▪ 2027 (Greg)
- Location: Callaway Gardens
- Dates: September 12-14, 2027
- Site Visit booked July 27-28, 2026. Greg, Farrah, Yancy, Ken

▪ ***CONFERENCE ACTION ITEMS:***
- *Register for the TIME Task Force Sponsorship: Holly*

○ **Agency Reps (Non-voting roll)**
▪ FHWA (Sarah)
▪ FTA (Robert)
▪ ***AGENCY REP ACTION ITEMS:***
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➢ Other Items/Concerns
○ Open Conversation
➢ Adjourn Meeting ~ 11:30 AM

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.