



COMMITTEE REPORTS

August 12 – September 2

Regional Transportation Advisory Council Committees

Freight - Walter Bonin

The Freight Committee did not meet in August.

Next Meeting: September 9 at 1 PM, Conference Rooms 2 & 3 of the State Transportation Building.

Membership – Laura Wiener

*The text that follows is identical to the text in the August Committee Reports. It appears in the September report because action may be taken at the September 9<sup>th</sup> Advisory Council meeting on the Membership Committee's recommendations.*

The Membership Committee met on Tuesday, July 28 in the MPO Conference Room of the State Transportation Building.

The Membership Committee recommended adding the following clause to the Membership Article of the Advisory Council Bylaws. **"Continuing membership shall depend on active participation, defined as attendance at the majority of council meetings in a federal fiscal year."**

The Committee recommended the following policy for implementing the text change: *Staff will perform an annual attendance audit each September and report the findings to the Advisory Council in October. Letters will be sent in October to member entities that did not attend the majority of Advisory Council meetings during the previous federal fiscal year. The letter will instruct the member to inform MPO staff if they would like to remain a member of the Advisory Council. Staff will also follow up with a phone call. To retain membership, the member must demonstrate a commitment to participating on the Advisory Council by attending two of the next three meetings (likely November, December, and January). Failure to attend two of the next three meetings will result in automatic dismissal from the Advisory Council.*

Next Meeting: None scheduled

Nominating – Kristina Johnson

The Nominating Committee met via e-mail and phone during August to nominate a slate of candidates for the September election of Advisory Council officers. The Committee nominated **Laura Wiener** of Arlington for the office of Chair.

At the August 12 Advisory Council meeting it was announced that more time was needed to secure a nomination for the office of Vice Chair. Two candidates were eventually nominated for Vice Chair. Two members of the Nominating Committee recommended **Steve Olanoff** (Westwood). A third member of the Committee recommended **Schuyler Larrabee** (Boston Society of Architects). Since there was no consensus, both candidates are presented for your consideration.

Statements from these candidates were included in the packet of materials sent to members in advance of the September meeting.

Plan – Kristina Johnson

The Plan Committee will meet on Thursday, September 3 to discuss the Advisory Council's draft comment letter on the draft JOURNEY TO 2030 Plan Amendment.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 3 at 4 PM, Conference Room 7 of the State Transportation Building.

Programs – Richard Canale

The Programs Committee will meet on Thursday, September 3 to discuss upcoming programs.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 3 at 9 AM, MPO Conference Room.

The following committees did not meet and have not scheduled future meetings:

Executive - Malek Al-Khatib

MBTA Ad Hoc Committee – Frank Demasi

Membership – Laura Wiener

TIP – Laura Wiener

UPWP – Steve Olanoff

### **Transportation Planning and Programming Committee Subcommittees**

None presently scheduled