

Name: Kien Ho, P.E., P.T.O.E.

Candidate for President

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Business Title: Senior Associate



Education: M.S., Transportation Engineering, Northeastern University, 1994
B.S., Civil Engineering, Cleveland State University, 1984

Work History: I have approximately 25 years of experience specializing in all aspects of traffic and highway engineering for urban and municipality infrastructures. My Traffic engineering experience includes complex signal system design, ITS signal systems and transportation planning/traffic studies.

Positions held for ITE:

- Vice President of the New England Section (2011)
- Secretary of the New England Section (2010)
- Student Chapter Liaison – Chair (2009)
- Treasurer of the New England Section (2008)
- 2010 District 1 Annual Meeting Site Search Committee member (2008)
- Strategic Planning Committee member (2007)
- Director of the New England Section (2006 & 2007)
- Program Chair of the New England Section (2006 & 2007)
- Chair of the New England Section Chronicle (2004 & 2005)
- Secretary of the Massachusetts Chapter (2004)
- Director of the Massachusetts Chapter (2003)
- Member of the New England Technical Committee (2000 to 2003) during which time I contributed to the following publications:
 - *“Field Validation of MOE’s For Signalized & Unsignalized Intersection Analysis”*
 - *“Traffic Calming Guidelines”*
 - *“A Study of Pedestrian Countdown Signals in Downtown Boston”*

Positions held in other professional organizations:

- Intelligent Transportation Society of Massachusetts (ITS MA)
 - President (2003 -2004)
 - Vice President (2002-2003)
 - Treasurer (2001 -2002)
 - Program Chair (2000-2001)

- Membership Chair (1998 to 1999)
- Member of the Women's Transportation Seminar Mentoring Committee (2000)

Professional Registrations: Registered Professional Engineer in Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island. Registered Professional Traffic Operations Engineer (PTOE).

Awards Received: Awarded the 1999 Anthony Sykes Best Published Article on "The Signalized Intersection Analysis Techniques"

Goals, I would like to achieve: My slogan for ITE has always been "members first". To me the success of this organization is all about how well we serve our members. My goal is to better serve our members through better communications and program integration between the District level, New England Section and the respective local Chapters. I will work to provide our members with the most benefits from this organization including integrating more activities between students and professionals in the transportation industry. I will achieve this by encouraging the committees to have more joint meetings with other professional societies including Student Chapters to promote the New England Section ITE as a whole. Working with other local organizations such as WTS and local ASCE chapters will broaden our resources to provide quality programs to our members as well as provide additional outreach to expand membership to other professionals in the transportation field.

I will also work to promote greater involvement from all New England Chapters, both on the Board and the respective committees. I strongly believe that committee activity at the chapter level and participation with the Board can often work hand -in-hand. The committee participation enriches the organization and provides an opportunity for the Board to better understand and resolve issues encountered by the respective committees. In addition, participation at these meetings also brings an understanding of how the Board operates. This can be invaluable, not only in becoming elected as an officer, but also in preparation for being an effective leader in the future.

I will strive to encourage young members (students and professionals) to participate and stay active in the organization at the local or district level. To achieve this, I will encourage Board members and elected officials to attend both Student and State Chapter events. The students and young professionals are the future leaders of our organization and by investing in them now; they will be better equipped to serve in the future. I will also work to increase student chapter activity throughout the New England section by seeking a volunteer to serve as an advocate in each state.