Electronic ballots will be emailed **Monday, October 22nd, 2018** to all NCITE members with an email address on record. To cast your vote, simply click on the election link and follow the instructions. NCITE members who do not have an email address on record will be mailed a paper ballot. If you do not receive voting information by email, do not have internet access, or prefer to send in a paper ballot, please contact 2018 NCITE Secretary Jake Folkeringa at JFolkeringa@srfconsulting.com or 763.452.4730.

The NCITE Executive Board consists of a President, Vice President (President Elect), Secretary (Vice President Elect), Treasurer, three Directors, and the immediate Past President. You will be asked to vote for a Secretary (Vice President Elect), Treasurer, and three Directors. The other positions on the 2019 NCITE Executive Board will be filled by automatic successions. This succession results in the following officers for 2019:

**Immediate Past President – Scott Poska**
**President – Jeff Preston**
**Vice President – Jake Folkeringa**

The candidates for each open position are as follows:

**Secretary (1 candidate, 1 open position)**

**Kevin Peterson**

Kevin is currently an Engineer II with the Washington County Public Works Department where he manages the delivery and construction of roadway, trail, and bridge projects. In his ten years of experience, he has been exposed to almost every aspect of transportation engineering; including data collection, survey, design, and construction. He has facilitated and attended open houses and public engagement events involving many active stakeholders. Key projects include, Downtown Lake Elmo Reconstruction, Downtown Afton Reconstruction, TH 36 St. Croix Bridge Crossing and the TH 610 Extension design build projects.

He earned his degree in Civil Engineering from North Dakota State University. He lives in Stillwater with his wife Meghan, kids Felix (5), and Lucy (3) and dog Maddie. Kevin joined NCITE in 2012 and has been active by serving as NCITE Director in 2015 and is currently the 2018 Treasurer. Kevin has gotten so much from this organization, and is grateful for the opportunity to run for position of Secretary.
Treasurer (2 candidates, 1 open position)

Tyler Krage
Tyler is a Traffic Engineer with Alliant Engineering. He has over 5 years of experience in the transportation industry ranging in traffic signal optimization, traffic modeling, bike infrastructure design, and pedestrian behavior analysis. He graduated from the University of Minnesota in 2014 with a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering, and frequently returns to mentor with capstone projects, student networking opportunities, and other NCITE/ITSO collaborations. He enjoys live music, brewing (and drinking) beer, rock climbing, biking, and is an avid vinyl record collector. He lives with his wife Meredith in Minneapolis.

Tyler has been active in ITE since 2012. More recently, he served as co-chair/chair of the Intersection Traffic Control Committee (2016 and 2017, respectively) and is currently the chair of the Pedestrian Safety Committee, as well as a Director on the 2018 Executive Board. He helps plan events on the Young Member Committee and was active on the LAC for the 2018 Annual Meeting, most notably planning the MiteY Race, among assisting in other capacities. He is also active at the Midwest ITE District level, fundraising for the Endowment Fund and organizing this year's Traffic Bowl Social.

From his time as a Director, Tyler served on a board that worked to create new ideas of what a Section can do for its members. He believes he can help the board to continue to push the envelope to serve the industry in innovative ways, from interesting meeting topics and events, to tapping into the increasingly large pool of talented younger members. Tyler is excited at the opportunity to run for Treasurer and to continue serving the Section.

Mark Wagner
Mark has recently started a new position in the MnDOT Metro Traffic Office as the North Area Signing Engineer, where his work will focus on the design, implementation, and maintenance of Metro signing infrastructure. Prior to MnDOT, Mark has worked at SEH and SRF, where he focused primarily on traffic signal design, construction staging and traffic control, roadway signing, and pavement markings. He has over 9 years of experience in traffic engineering and obtained his PE license in May of 2014.

Mark has been a member of NCITE since 2011 and has been actively involved in the organization; currently serving as the Professional Development Chair and previously as Intersection Traffic Control Committee co-chair and chair for 2015 and 2016, respectively, and as a Director in 2017. He is thankful for the opportunities for growth and networking that NCITE has provided to him and hopes to further contribute to the future of the organization by serving as Treasurer in 2019.

Mark received his bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Minnesota in 2009. He lives in Centerville with his wife Kelley and their 21-month-old daughter Caroline, where he enjoys house projects, landscaping (begrudgingly), smoking meats, good whiskey, football, hockey, and quality television like the Great British Baking Show.
Director (3 candidates, 3 open positions)

Joe DeVore
Joe has been involved with NCITE and the traffic engineering community in the Twin Cities for over 7 years. Joe has been an active member of ITE and is finishing a four year term of being the NCITE technology director. Joe was the co-chair and chair of the NCITE Simulations and Capacities Committee from 2016-2017 and has presented numerous times in the subcommittee. In his career, Joe has performed multimodal analysis on two of the largest transit projects in Minnesota, Southwest LRT and Blue Line Extension LRT; in addition to many other multimodal, corridor studies, freeway projects, and safety analyses.

Joe is an avid Minnesota sports fan, having played baseball at the University of Minnesota. He continues to be involved at the UMN by mentoring students interested in traffic and transportation engineering through capstone design and other volunteer opportunities. In Joe’s free time he enjoys fishing, playing any and all sports, and going to local wineries and breweries throughout the state. He looks forward to continuing his role in NCITE as one of the three 2019 directors!

Jonah Finkelstein
Jonah is a Transportation Engineer with Spack Consulting. With over four years of experience, Jonah has worked on many projects including signal optimization and design, bicycle infrastructure design, traffic modeling, Traffic Impact Studies, Traffic Demand Management Plans, and various transportation and traffic related research projects. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Minnesota in 2013 and Professional Engineering Licensure in the State of Minnesota in 2018. Outside of engineering, Jonah spends his time rock climbing, backpacking, and coaching various circus arts to students of all ages at Xelias Aerial Arts.

Jonah has been an active participant of NCITE since his college days and has been the website coordinator for the last three years. Through this role Jonah helped relaunch the NCITE website to an updated and more user-friendly platform, which in turn helped the North Central Section win the 2018 District/Section Communications Award. Jonah recognizes the opportunities and knowledge that NCITE provides to local transportation professionals and is excited for the opportunity to expand his service to the section.
Director (3 candidates, 3 open positions)

Philip Kulis
Philip is currently a traffic engineer at SRF Consulting Group in Minneapolis focusing on traffic and signal operations, safety, and transit. Philip lives in St. Louis Park, Minnesota where he enjoys taking on new projects around the house and woodworking. He also enjoys golfing, hiking, biking, going to the lake, photography, and of course trying new breweries during his free time. With winter arriving, Philip is looking forward to hitting the ice rink and improving his hockey skills.

Philip's involvement in ITE began in 2012 while attending Penn State. While earning his Master’s degree, he served as the Treasurer of the Penn State Student ITE Chapter. During this time, Philip had the opportunity to compete in two Traffic Bowl Grand Championships and attend two ITE International Annual Meetings.

Since his move to Minnesota over three years ago, he has been an active member of NCITE, the Intersection Traffic Control Committee, and SimCap. Philip helped found the Younger Member Committee (YMC) in 2016, along with other NCITE members, to foster growth and opportunities for the younger members of NCITE. Philip has served as the Chair of the YMC, and is currently the Co-Chair of the Intersection Traffic Control Committee (ITCC). Philip has also presented at the ITE Midwestern District Conference and most recently at the MOVITE Fall Meeting. In addition to presenting at ITE conferences, Philip served on the Midwestern District ITE Traffic Bowl Committee the past two years, which planned, organized, and facilitated the district Traffic Bowls in Madison and Minneapolis.

NCITE has provided Philip with many opportunities over the past three years, and he looks forward to the continuing to contribute to NCITE and the transportation field.

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