

**GREATER FORT WORTH (GFW) SECTION**  
**REPORT TO THE TEXITE EXECUTIVE BOARD**  
**SECTION REPORT**  
**JANUARY 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 2017**

**1.0 2017 LEADERSHIP**



***President***  
Marisa Conlin  
City of Fort Worth



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Scott Arnold  
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.



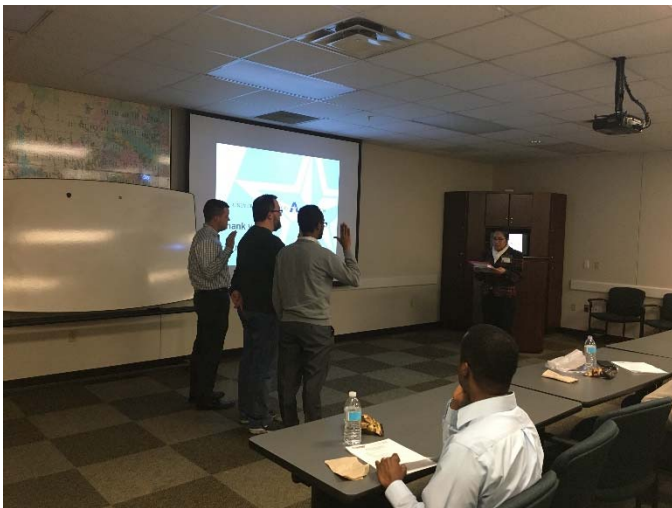
***Secretary/Treasurer***  
Norman Hogue  
Dunaway Associates, Inc.



***Section Representative***  
Erin Eurek  
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.



***Immediate Past President***  
Ed Pultorak  
Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.



Scott Arnold (Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.), Norman Hogue (Dunaway Associates, Inc.), and Zegeye "Zee" Gurmu (Teague Nall and Perkins, Inc.), were sworn in as 2018 Section Officers during the Annual Section Business Meeting in December 2017.



**Ed Pultorak and Mitzi Ward were honored with Section Service Awards during our February 2017 Section Meeting.**



**Mitzi Ward was honored during our May 2017 Section Meeting with a District Service Award (2015-2016 Greater Fort Worth Section Representative).**

## **2.0 FINANCIAL STATUS**

As of December 2017, Section checking account balance was \$718.53 and savings account balance was \$3,047.86.

## **3.0 MEMBERSHIP**

The GFW Section currently has 55 paid members, including 34 non-agency members and 21 members that belong through agency membership. The Section collects the annual membership dues of \$10 ourselves for non-agency members and agency membership dues are paid to the Section by International ITE.

In September 2017, the GFW Section submitted a Section Dues Confirmation Form to ITE Headquarters requesting that our Section dues be collected by Headquarters starting in 2018. Dues for voting members were increased to \$15 to accommodate the request from TexITE to set consistent dues across all District 9 sections.

## **4.0 MONTHLY MEETINGS**

The GFW Section holds regular monthly meetings on the third Thursday of each month, with exceptions made for the two months each year during which the TexITE District meetings are held. Most Section meetings were held at the City of Fort Worth Service Center, including the annual Business Meeting. The dates, speakers, presentation topics, and attendance numbers for each meeting held for 2017 are shown on the following page.



**Jay Chapa (City of Fort Worth) presenting on “City of Fort Worth – 2018 Bond Update”  
at our November 2017 Section Meeting**



**Summary of 2017 Section Meetings**

Date	Speaker(s)	Presentation Topic	Attendance
January 26	<b>Networking Social</b> Fort Worth, Texas		
February 16	Christopher Poe, PhD <i>Texas A&amp;M Transportation Institute</i>	AVCV Texas and National Trends	36
March 16	Major Jones <i>North Tarrant Express</i>	IH-35W Project Update	37
April 7	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Annual Dallas Section Scholarship Golf Tournament</b>		
April 19-21	<b>TexITE 2017 District 9 Spring Meeting</b> Frisco, Texas		
May 18	Gina Gutierrez <i>Fort Worth Transit Authority</i>	TexRail	38
June 15	<b>Joint TexITE / ASCE Meeting</b> Jeffrey S. Taylor, P.E. <i>Dunaway Associates</i>	Dickies Multipurpose Arena Fort Worth (MAFW) Project	130*
July 21	<b>Dallas-Fort Worth Joint Meeting Mini-Conference</b>	Technology and its Impact on Transportation	128**
August 17	Elizabeth Young, GISP <i>City of Fort Worth</i>	Fort Worth Asset Management Update	42
September 6-8	<b>TexITE 2017 District 9 Fall Meeting</b>		
October 19	Sam Delmotte, P.E. <i>Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. &amp; Lissette Acevedo, P.E.</i> <i>City of Fort Worth</i>	US 287 at Bonds Ranch Interim Roundabouts	35
November 16	Jay Chapa <i>City of Fort Worth</i>	City of Fort Worth – 2018 Bond Update	36
December 14	Dr. Kate Hyun <i>University of Texas at Arlington</i>	Commercial Vehicle Activity Monitoring using Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Technologies	28

\* Attendance represents both the Greater Fort Worth Section and the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)

\*\*Attendance represents both the Dallas Section and Greater Fort Worth Section

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**DALLAS-FORT WORTH TEXITE JOINT MINI-CONFERENCE AGENDA**

**8:30 AM - Registration Table Opens**

**9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Training**

- **Spectral Impacts of LED Blue Light and Night Sky** - Troy Harms (Acuity Brands Lighting)

**10:15 AM - 11:45 AM - Technical Sessions**

- **How Blockchain Technology will Impact Smart Cities & Connected Vehicles** – Kirk Ballou (Touch Titans)
- **How Genesis PULSE & Waze are Helping First Responders Reduce Response Times** – Chad Richey (Genesis PULSE)
- **Hyperloop** – Steven Duong (AECOM)

**12:00 PM - 1:00 PM - Lunch and Key Note Presentation**

- **Current State of the Art / Science of Autonomous Vehicle** – Thomas Bamonte (North Central Texas Council of Governments)



**Dallas-Fort Worth TexITE Joint Mini-Conference**

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## Joint Meeting Sponsors

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## 5.0 COMMITTEES

Listed below are the Committees for 2017:

- **Membership Committee:**
  - Chair: Norman Hogue (*Dunaway Associates, Inc.*)
- **Mini-Conference Committee:**
  - Greater Fort Worth Section Executive Board
    - Marisa Conlin (*City of Fort Worth*)
    - Scott Arnold (*Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.*)
    - Norman Hogue (*Dunaway Associates, Inc.*)
    - Ed Pultorak (*Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.*)
    - Erin Eurek (*Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.*)
  - Greater Dallas Section Executive Board
    - Jignesh Thakkar (*Othon, Inc.*)
    - Josh Smith (*Lee Engineering*)
    - Matt Tilke (*City of McKinney, formerly City of Plano*)
    - Cameron Williams (*Binkley & Barfield, Inc.*)
    - John Denholm (*Lee Engineering*)



### Section Members

- Chris Hoff (*Jacobs*)
- Heather Hart (*Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.*)
- Mitzi Ward (*North Central Texas Council of Governments*)
- Quenell Johnson (*City of Fort Worth*)
  
- ***Nominating Committee:***
  - Chair: Suki Hay (*Lockwood, Andrews & Newman, Inc.*)
  - Tom Simerly (*City of Fort Worth*)
  - Chris Hoff (*Jacobs*)
  
- ***Technical Committee:***
  - Chair: Scott Arnold (*Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.*)
  
- ***Website Committee:***
  - Chair: Erin Eurek (*Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.*)
  - Webmaster: Scott Arnold (*Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.*)
  - Shannon Hobbs (*City of Fort Worth*)
  
- ***Younger Members Committee***
  - Chair: Shannon Hobbs (*City of Fort Worth*)
  - Marianna Borrego (*Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.*)

## 6.0 OTHER BUSINESS

### Future City Competition Sponsorship

The GFW Section annually donates \$250 and co-sponsors, along with the Dallas Section, a Special Award for the North Texas Future City Competition. The Future City Competition is a middle-school educational outreach program designed to foster an interest in technology and engineering. Proceeds from the Dallas-Fort Worth Joint Meeting Mini-Conference were used to make our annual donation for the 2017-2018 competition. GFW Section member, Shannon Hobbs (City of Fort Worth), volunteers as a judge for the competition.

### Cowboy Santas

The GFW Section raised \$110.00 in donations for Cowboy Santas during the December 2017 Business Meeting. The Cowboy Santas Program Inc. is a 501 C(3) charitable organization that provides toys to children, 12 and under, from low-income Tarrant County families, during the holiday season.

### Younger Members Committee

The Community Services Committee was merged with the Younger Members Committee in 2017. While both these committees have been inactive for the past few years, Shannon Hobbs (City of Fort Worth) has been appointed Chair of the committee. The Committee and has already begun planning 2018 activities including, networking socials and a joint Trinity Habitat for Humanity event with ASCE.

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### Section Website Redesign

The Website Committee completely redesigned the Section website. As one of our newest Younger Members, Shannon Hobbs (*City of Fort Worth*) volunteered his website design expertise to complete updates that have been on our Section's wish list for several years. As former Section officer Jason Crawford (2001-2002 GFW Section President) commented, "...the last version [of the website] was from when I was an officer. It was time for a change."

Our new website is mobile-friendly and offers the following new features:

- Live feeds of TexITE (via Twitter) and Section News (via Facebook);
- Section membership directory;
- Online event registrations and payments;
- Sponsorship opportunities;
- Annual Section report archive; and
- Job openings.

Our Section's goal with the new membership directory is to increase participation in our Section by making it easier for potential members to join the Section and sign up for our communication, as well as effectively communicating upcoming events and volunteer opportunities to existing members. We also migrated our outdated Yahoo Groups! listserv to MailChimp to provide a more consistent format for our Section communications.

Our web address is still the same: <https://www.texite.org/fortworth/>

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Erin Eurek, GFW Section Representative (2017-2018)

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