

Ohio Travel Demand Model Users Group Winter Meeting

The meeting was held on Friday, November 13, 2020 via Zoom video conference and commenced at approximately 10:00 AM. The meeting started with a welcome and introduction of all attendees. Approximately 35 people were in attendance throughout the call.

Rebekah Anderson motioned to elect Rob Bostrom and Jonathan Avner to their first terms as Chairman and Event Coordinator, respectively. Andrew Rohne seconded. The motion passed.

Greg Giaimo made a motion to approve the last meeting's minutes. Saleem Salameh seconded. The motion passed.

There were no new business items or requests for membership. Andrew Rohne provided a website update and said he just has a few presentations to get posted.

Andrew Rohne presented on *Eclipse Modeling*. A solar eclipse will take place April 8, 2024 with totality over northern Ohio. Based on the popular interest of the 2017 eclipse this event is expected to generate a lot of traffic from outside of the state/region. A model is under development that will produce an eclipse day traffic assignment in order to determine where the heaviest traffic may occur.

Chris Simons presented on *Cube 7 Update*. Chris discussed the changes coming with the rollout of Cube 7. It is designed to deal with very large datasets, has a new application manager, and one network editing environment with native GIS functionalities resulting in a more modern software. Release is targeted for the middle of 2021. He also presented on the new accessibility model called Cube Access.

Sam Hendrick presented on *LumenRT – Demonstration*. This was a demo of LumenRT, which is a visualization software.

In ODOT updates, agreements with WSP, WRA, and other firms will be under contract for model support starting at the beginning of the year. A purchase of InfoUSA data is being put off until 2021. Sam will be contacting the MPOs soon in regard to employment data contracts.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1 PM.