### Technical Council

*Jeff Anspach (Buckeye State Sheriff’s Association); *Keith Church (ODPS-IT); *Yvonne Cooper (Public Utilities Commission (PUCO)); S/Lt. Jeffrey Davis (OSHP); *Aletha Dodson (ODPS-OHS); Jamie Doskocil, Chair (OSHP); *Jerome Ferguson, Sr. (ODPS-BMV); Ryan Furlong (Buckeye State Sheriff's Association); *Tom Gwinn (OSHP); Lt. Chris Kinn (OSHP); Captain Chuck Linek, Co-Chair (OSHP); *Jim Luebbers (ODPS-CJS); *Sue Morris (ODPS-EMS); *Jennifer Noll (OARC-MORPC); *Milt Nuzum (Supreme Court of Ohio); *Michael Pomesky (Ohio Chiefs of Police Association (OCPA)); *Derek Troyer (ODOT); *Lori Tyack (OAMCCC/FCMCC); Jordan Whisler (ODOT) and Keith Willoughby (Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administration (FMCSA)).

* Member Agency Representative ➔ Quorum present

### ABSENT

County Engineers Association of Ohio; Federal Highway Administration; National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; Ohio Department of Health; Emergency Management Agency; Ohio Insurance Institute

Minutes: V.O. Owens (ODPS-OSHP)

GUESTS:

Jeffrey Dripps (ODPS-Procurement); Lori Genzen (ODPS-OTSO); Patricia Kovacs; (Ohio Bicycle Federation); Ann Nwosu (Nationwide Children’s Hospital); Richard Schmahl (OIT-MARCS); Motao Zhu (Nationwide Children’s Hospital)

### Welcome and Introduction

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. The list of TRCC council members was circulated for review and updates. TRCC Chair Jamie Doskocil welcomed TRCC’s new Co-Chair, Captain Chuck Linek of the Ohio State Highway Patrol and recently appointed BMV Registrar, Charles Norman. Registrar Norman was unable to attend. Chair Doskocil and BMV representative, Jerome Ferguson, read his biography.

All those present introduced themselves and which organization they were representing (attendance above).

### ACTION ITEMS

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### Review and Approval of Minutes (12/11/18)

The meeting minutes from December 11, 2018 were reviewed and approved.

**ACTION: Motion to approve the December 11, 2018 TRCC Executive and Technical Council meeting minutes without change.** Tom Gwinn – First. Sue Morris – Second. None – Abstained. None - Opposed. Motion approved.

### Distracted Driving Law Change (R.C. 4511.991)

S/Lt. Jeffrey Davis (OSHP) provided a brief summary of House Bill 95 which became effective October 29, 2018. H.B. 95 provides law enforcement with an additional tool to combat distracted driving by enhancing the penalty for specific existing moving violations. In lieu of the additional fine, violators may opt to complete an online course offered by the Ohio BMV. S/Lt. Davis provided the committee a copy of an interoffice communication that was circulated to all OSHP troopers, which provided guidance on how to mark the additional penalty enhancement on electronic citations. OSHP created this guidance based, in part, on feedback from several court clerks and judges across the state.
(Distracted Driving Law Change (R.C. 4511.991) cont.)

It is believed that this new section in the ORC will make it easier to combat distracted driving and track occurrences. The committee discussed some of the difficulties experienced so far with the tracking of the online training. Chair Doskocil stated that OLEIS users will be provided additional guidance on how to enter this penalty enhancement designation on the citation.

Patricia Kovacs (Ohio Bicycle Federation) asked if the designation would appear on crash reports. S/Lt Davis stated that this offense designation would only appear on the citation itself.

Dr. Zhu (Nationwide Children’s Hospital) asked how this new section compliments or replaces existing distracted driving laws. S/Lt. Davis explained how the existing laws can be implemented and the difficulties/limitations of enforcing those laws in some situations. The new penalty enhancements provide additional flexibility.

Members of the committee also discussed the online course offered by the BMV and the possibility of studying the impact that such training may have on future trends. Chair Doskocil described the possibility of reviewing records in the citation database to the training records held by the BMV over time. (Attachment 1 Distracted Driving Penalty Enhancement OSHP IOC & Attachment 2 Distracted Driving Course (BMV) Media Release)

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Grant Funding Update and Project Review

Chair Doskocil provided the committee with a grant funding update. Two claims totaling just over $58,000 have been processed so far. She reminded the committee that $1.8 million in FFY 2019 grant funding needs to be spent by September 30, 2019.

In regards to equipment projects (funding had been on hold since October 2018), NHTSA recently provided written guidance on how to move forward with 405(c) equipment projects. That guidance was provided to the committee for review. Future proposals will need to show a stronger nexus to the state’s highway safety plan and the committee’s strategic plan. Crash reconstruction equipment projects will likely not be approved in the future. However, the printer project that was approved by the committee last year is allowed to proceed. (Attachment 3 – PowerPoint Presentation and Attachment 4 - 23 U.S.C. Section 405c Expenditure Program Clarification)

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TRCC Strategic Plan Annual Update

Chair Doskocil provided a brief overview of the process for updating the committee’s Strategic Plan. Based on recent guidance from NHTSA related to project funding, a more systematic update will be completed this year. Data system goals will be placed in one of three tier groups: 1) Year 1 (near term), 2) Years 2 – 4 (longer term), and 3) Year 5. And beyond. The plan will cover the next five federal fiscal years (FFY 2020 - FFY 2024). Initial working group meetings will be held in the coming weeks. The first draft of the report is due back from data system leads on March 15th (except by extension). The final report will be presented to the committee for approval at the April meeting and will then be submitted with the Ohio highway safety plan.

The plan should take into consideration the six attribute areas for each traffic records system: timeliness, accuracy, completeness, uniformity, integration and accessibility. A sample performance measures document is available through NHTSA.

Chair Doskocil asked committee members to contact her at the close of the meeting if any wished to participate in the working groups.

There was additional discussion on potential goals and objectives related to the Driver and Vehicle data systems, including updating the BMV 2255 (Report of Law Enforcement Officer Administrative License Suspension). Clerk Tyack
mentioned that some courts have difficulty with submitting the BMV 2255 due to limitations of the local courts’ case management systems. Mr. Nuzum stated that some of these systems could be upgraded. This may be an area that the TRCC can explore later.

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**Core Area Updates**

**Crash** *(Tom Gwinn, ODPS OSHP)*

More crash vendors are coming on board since the new OH-1 was released. The last several weeks have been busy with calls and inquiries related to the new report. Approximately 85% of crash vendors are submitting data successfully. 2019 crashes that have been submitted on paper have not been entered into the crash database yet due to delays by the ODPS data entry vendor.

2018 crash data will be closed out on March 31, 2019. To date, there were 1,069 fatalities; down 11% from last year.

**Vehicle and Driver** *(Jerome Ferguson, ODPS BMV)*

House Bill 336 - Driver License Re-instatement Fee Amnesty Program went live January 31, 2019. As of February 13, 2019, 2,743 customers applied for the program and were approved. Approximately $2.3 million in reinstatement fees have been forgiven. This program will run through July 31, 2019. Meetings with other courts continues.

The BMV attended the winter conference for the Municipal and County Judges (over 200 attendees) and spoke about the program.

**Roadway Data** *(Derek Troyer, ODOT)*

- Nine counties remain to be integrated into ODOT’s data collection system as part of the Location Based Response System (LBRS) project. The TRCC helped fund portions of this project several years ago. Four of the nine counties have been completed. The remaining five counties will soon be integrated into ODOT’s system to maintain data. The next phase of the project will include the creation of a maintenance platform. This platform will allow locals to maintain data.

- After initial review of the 2019 crash data, it was discovered that the officer crash mapping tool that is used by OSHP in OTIS has only been used 5% in all crash reports so far.

- STRAVA bicycle/pedestrian data has been integrated into existing processes. ODOT currently uses StreetLight which already contains certain elements of the STRAVA data. However, this platform is more difficult to work with and ODOT is reviewing the need for renewing the contract. The current expectation is that it will not be renewed. Data sharing agreements have been signed with several metropolitan planning organizations for the STRAVA data that has been received to date.

**Citation/Adjudication** *(Jamie Doskocil, ODPS OSHP)*

The TRCC printer project will start again soon as a result of NHTSA’s recent guidance.

Approximately 247 agencies are currently enrolled in eCitation. With more than 900 law enforcement agencies in the state, the program has room to grow. Work continues with the courts across the state. Discussions with Hamilton County are ongoing.

Franklin County Municipal Court is working on integration testing between OTIS and their case management system. The court is also checking for quality and accuracy of the test data. OLEIS users will be interfaced later.
EMS/Injury Surveillance  (Sue Morris, ODPS EMS)

EMS has been working to bring EMSIRS back in-house. This project began October 2018 and is progressing quickly. Beta testing will start in March 2019.

Developers are working with the current vendor to bring trauma data into the data warehouse located at DPS. This will facilitate record linkage.

A change in the law allows EMS data to be shared with the National Emergency Medical Services Information System (NEMSIS). Limited access to the data for other parties is also now allowed under the new law.

Data Use and Integration  (Jamie Doskoci, ODPS OSHP)

Project ideas are still being explored.

The traffic records inventory has been delayed but work should begin in FFY 2020. After speaking with our counterparts in Michigan, it appears that this project will be time intensive.

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OLD BUSINESS

Current/Pending Action Items

- Submission of OLEIS contract employee to NHTSA (pending with NHTSA). Jamie Doskoci
- Strategic Plan Update (FFY 2021). Core Area Leads

Ongoing Action Items

- Quarterly reporting on Strategic Plan’s Projects and Objectives. Core Area Leads
- Send requests for NHTSA’s GO Team to Jamie Doskoci, as needed. All
- Notify Jamie Doskoci or Tom Gwinn of any staff changes within Law Enforcement and the Council in order to keep contact information current. All
- Submit ideas for abstracts for the August Traffic Records Forum. Funding requests for registration costs for attending may be forwarded to Jamie Doskoci or Captain Linek. All

Action Items Completed Since Last Meeting

- Submitted TRCC-approved projects to OTSO for final approval (OLEIS contract employee and Butler County Sheriff’s Office software request).
- Executed 2019 TRCC Charter.
- Resolution of equipment funding issue.

Open Forum

- Patricia Kovacs inquired about the status of the old crash TRAC Tape file that was available on the ODPS website. This data source was removed from the ODPS website after the OH-1 rewrite. Data is available on ODOT’s website through GCAT (GIS Crash Analysis Tool). Ms. Kovacs also inquired about the new eScooters and how those are coded on crash reports when involved in a crash. Tom Gwinn offered guidance on how those units are coded in a crash report if a motor vehicle is involved. Lastly, Ms. Kovacs asked if the citation database could be queried for citations written for “opening a car door in traffic.” There was discussion on the limitations of the data due to individualized local ordinances (statewide queries are problematic, but jurisdictional queries would be more useful).
Dr. Zhu informed the committee that he and his team will be attending the 2019 Traffic Records Forum to present their findings on seatbelt use and risk factors for older occupants in vehicles.

Jennifer Noll of the Ohio Association of Regional Council/Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Committee (OARC-MORPC) provided an update of their current goals and the desire to strengthen the relationship with the TRCC and may seek project funding in the future.

Franklin County Municipal Court (FCMC) will host a driver license re-instatement (H.B. 336) workshop on April 4 – 6. Information about the workshop is being shared with other courts around the state. FCMC and the Columbus Division of Police are collaborating to start a pilot program to accept electronic criminal complaint filings via email.

The Supreme Court has a technology committee and works on many issues that may overlap with some of the TRCC’s initiatives, especially in regards to data integration. Due to variability of case management vendors across the state, integration between systems is a challenge.

The BMV web site is available for individuals to check amnesty program eligibility (H.B. 336).

Staff from the ODPS division of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and ODPS’s office of Traffic Statistics recently conducted a study on crashes involving EMS and fire vehicles. The results were very informative.

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**ADJOURN**

**ACTION: Motion to adjourn.**

Meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

**SUMMARY of ALL ACTION ITEMS**

| Post December 11, 2018 meeting minutes online | V.O. Owens |
| Send additional information to OLEIS users, BSSA and OCPA | Jamie Doskocil |
| Procure in-car printers | Jamie Doskocil |
| Meet with core area leads (Strategic Plan) | Jamie Doskocil |
| Provide 1st draft of update to Chair (Strategic Plan) | Core area leads |

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~ NOTE: All attachments are available upon request. ~

**NEXT MEETING**

Thursday April 25, 2019 at 10:00am
Ohio Department of Public Safety – Conference Room 1106
1970 West Broad Street - Columbus, Ohio 43223