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Find a Recording of ASLRRR’s Annual Membership Meeting Online

ASLRRR held its Annual Membership Meeting virtually on Dec. 16, and a recording of the meeting as well as meeting presentation slides are now available online for those who were unable to attend.

The meeting featured reports from the chairman of the Board of Directors, ASLRRR President Chuck Baker and each regional vice president. Baker talked about the work ASLRRR has accomplished in 2021, including the ways the Association has interacted with legislative and regulatory bodies on behalf of its members. Find the recording in [ASLRRR’s On-Demand Webinar library](#) and view it at any time.

And, as always, ASLRRR members looking for other useful information can access the over 150 recorded webinars available in ASLRRR’s library, covering topics from safety and operations to legal issues and human resources. ASLRRR members can view recordings at any time for free, while non-members can purchase a subscription to access our library. Go to aslrra.org/webinars and log in to see what is available.

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Industry Events and Announcements

P&L Transportation CEO to Retire



Tony Reck

Tony Reck, CEO of P&L Transportation, Inc. and its subsidiary railroads, announced his retirement after 50 years in the railroad industry. Three of P&L’s subsidiaries are ASLRRR members, and Reck has served on ASLRRR’s Board of Directors as vice president-Southern Region and on the Association’s Legislative Policy Committee.

Although Reck is retiring as P&L CEO, he will continue his involvement with the company as chairman of the Board of Directors. To succeed Reck, P&L’s board has chosen current president of P&L Transportation and its subsidiaries, Tom Garrett. Garrett will take on the role of CEO in addition to his current position, with the change effective Jan. 1.

Reck joined the first management team of Paducah and Louisville Railway in 1986 as vice president of marketing and sales and was elected president and CEO in 1988. Since then, P&L has grown from a single railroad to a company with six subsidiaries: four railroads and two intermodal terminals.

Nominations Due Soon for *Railway Age* Magazine's Fast Trackers Awards

Railway Age magazine will honor the rail industry's notable young professionals with its annual Fast Trackers 20 Under 40 awards. [Nominations](#) for the competition are due Jan. 7.

Railroad professionals in the U.S., Canada and Mexico who are under the age of 40 as of January 1, 2022 are eligible for the competition. Nominees are judged based on their industry experience and education, leadership skills, industry contributions and community involvement. Individuals can nominate themselves, and there is no limit on the number of entries a company or person can submit.

Railroaders Earn Professional Development Credits Through the University of Wisconsin's InterPro Program

The University of Wisconsin-Madison's College of Engineering offers professional education courses through its Interdisciplinary Professional Programs (InterPro) section, and several are relevant to railroad personnel.

A course titled "Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Safety" will be held in a live online format Feb. 1-4. Participants will learn about basic principles of grade crossing safety and how to apply them to new and existing projects. Thirteen professional development hours are available through this course. Click [here](#) to learn more or to register for the course.

On Feb. 14-17, the program will offer another online course titled "Fundamentals of Electric Rail Vehicle Systems" that covers basic design criteria of the rail car, rail car sub-systems and their integration with other sub-systems. This course offers 14 professional development hours. Click [here](#) for more information or to register.

InterPro also offers courses on demand, which are available for viewing online at any time. Relevant courses for railroad professionals include:

- [Emergency Railroad Bridge Inspections](#) – Introducing participants to the technical, procedural and safety aspects of emergency inspections.
- [Propulsion for Light Rail Vehicles](#) – Explaining the four methods of energy management system in light rail vehicle propulsion systems and characteristics of each, as well defining retrofit.
- [Fundamentals of Traction Power Systems and Overhead Contact Systems](#) – Helping participants understand concepts related to electrically-powered rail systems.

Follow the links above for more information or to register for these on-demand courses.

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