



# 2026 Mid-Year Directors' Meeting Tallahassee, FL January 15– 16, 2026

Thursday, January 15, 2025	Topic	Presenter
7:00 AM – 8:15 AM	<b>Breakfast / Beverages</b>	<b>First Student, Gatekeeper ReaXium</b>
8:15 AM – 8:45 AM	Welcome, Program Outline, Updates	Jamie Warrington, FAPT President - Manatee
8:45 AM – 9:00 AM	District/Charter Roll Call	Laura Hill, FAPT President- Elect - Hillsborough
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	State of the State <a href="#">State Transportation Update</a> <a href="#">CDL Updates</a>	Robert Manspeaker, FDOE
10:00 AM – 10:15 AM	<b>Break</b>	<b>Bus Planner</b>
10:15 AM – 10:45 AM	New Legislation/Impacts on School Transportation <a href="#">2025 Changes / Impacts</a>	Laura Hill, FAPT President- Elect - Hillsborough
10:45 AM – 11:45 AM	ESE Updates <a href="#">ESE Update School Transportation</a>	Launi Harden
11:45 AM – 1:15 PM	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>First Light Safety, CST</b>
1:15 PM – 2:00 PM	Bus Vendor Updates <a href="#">Blue Bird Update</a> <a href="#">IC Bus Updates</a> <a href="#">Thomas Bus Update</a>	FTS / Matthews / Sun State
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	Stop Arm Camera Legislation Update What You Need to Know / Panel Discussion <a href="#">Stop Arm Camera Update - Panel Discussion</a> <a href="#">Statutory Requirement on Use of Cameras</a>	Laura Hill, FAPT President Elect- Hillsborough/Bill Wen, Region III Director, Orange/ and Scott Lindsey, DHSMV
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM	<b>Break</b>	<b>Bus Planner</b>
3:15 PM – 4:00 PM	DHSMV CDL Updates <a href="#">DHSMV CDL Update</a>	Tod Browning, DHSMV
4:00 PM	Adjourn	

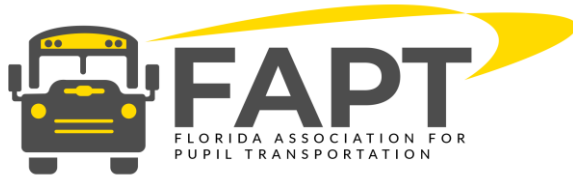
***THURSDAY EVENING DINNER FOR DISTRICT AND CHARTER SCHOOL ATTENDEES AT***

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Friday, January 17, 2025	Topic	Presenter
7:00 AM – 8:15 AM	<b>Breakfast /Beverages</b>	<b>Alpha Route, Heavy Duty Lift Alpha Route</b>
8:15 AM – 9:00 AM	Using AI in Transportation <a href="#">Using AI in Transportation</a>	Bill Wen, Region III Director, Orange
9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	EV Bus Updates – Efficiency, Tax Credits <a href="#">EV The Ups and Downs</a>	Shane Searchwell, Region I Director - Palm Beach
9:45 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>Break</b>	<b>Pawar</b>
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	<b>Routing Logistics Success</b>	Jim Beekman, FAPT / Hillsborough (retired)
10:30 – 11:00 AM	Sponsor Introductions	Vendors
11:00 AM – 11:15 AM	2025 & 2026 FAPT Summer Conference <a href="#">Upcoming Conferences</a>	Dennis Grey, FAPT Past President - Walton
11:15 AM – 11:30 AM	Florida State Road E-O Competition Returns! <a href="#">Upcoming Events</a>	Jamie Warrington, FAPT President - Manatee
11:30 AM	Wrap-Up & Final Thoughts / Adjourn & Dismissal	Jamie Warrington, FAPT President - Manatee



**A SPECIAL “THANK YOU” TO OUR VENDORS FOR THEIR SUPPORT!!!!**