

TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE X12I
FULL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
Meeting Minutes
January 24-25, 27-28, and February 1, 2021

I. Introductions

Full Transportation Subcommittee – January 25, 2021 – 9:15 CST. The Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) Meeting was hosted virtually via GoToWebinar with the sole agenda to review Requests for Information (RFI) and Maintenance Request (MR) items for Transportation.

Mr. Doug Anderson (X12I Chair) and Dana Morton (X12I Vice Chair) led the Full Transportation discussions with thirteen members in attendance

II. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the October 2020 Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) meeting were voted on and approved.

III. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) reviewed three Requests for Information (RFI). The final dispositions are listed below.

RFI 2435 - Subcommittee X12I Approved this RFI. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (January 25, 2021): Approved.

RFI 2441 - Subcommittee X12I Abstained. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (January 25, 2021): Approved with modifications.

RFI 2446 - Subcommittee X12I Abstained. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (January 25, 2021): Approved with modifications.

IV. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) reviewed five Maintenance Request (MR) items. The final dispositions are listed below.

MR 78 - Subcommittee X12I - Approved. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (February 1, 2021): Recommended MR 78 be moved to ballot.

MR 79 – Subcommittee X12I - Approved. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (February 1, 2021): Subcommittee X12M did not reply.

MR 80 – Subcommittee X12I – Approved. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (February 1, 2021): Recommended MR 80 be moved to ballot.

MR 117 – Subcommittee X12I (641320) – Approved. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (February 1, 2021): Approved by subcommittees X12C, X12F, X12I, X12M, and X12N. Recommended MR 117 be moved to ballot.

MR 120 – Subcommittee X12I (064320) – Approved. Technical Assessment Full Subcommittee X12J (February 1, 2021): Approved by subcommittees X12C, X12F, and X12I; Subcommittees X12M and X12N are awaiting documentation).

V. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) New Project Proposals

No new project proposals were submitted.

VI. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) Steering Committee update

The Transportation Subcommittee Steering Committee met on January 24, 2021. They previewed the RFIs and MRs discussed above.

The Thursday (January 28, 2021) Steering Committee Meeting included Subcommittee report backs. Transportation reported back we approved five MR's and processed three RFI's. We have issues with the new MR process. During general discussion, X12I, X12M, X12F, and X12J reported issues with the new MR process. X12N said they loved it. Issues raised included lack of ASC02 process document, need for impact assessment before TAS, problems having to look at Glass for each MR, need visual representation of impact assessment, no Quality Check as part of the process, and lack of training. Steering Committee agreed to start a discussion about the process and discuss at next meeting in March.

VII. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) Virtual Meetings Discussion

This is how we will meet for June 2021. Doug tried to talk to X12 board members and ask them to consider that we keep everyone virtual in the summer to cut down on costs. X12I might transition to just 1 in-person meeting per year but we will discuss this more at the June meeting.

VIII. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) Old Business

No old business was presented for discussion.

IX. Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) New Business

The Transportation Full Subcommittee has identified some issues with the new.

PRB: There are cases where there is not enough information to decide what SC should get the MR. Case in point, MR 143.

TAS: The impact assessment needs to be completed before, not after the MR goes to TAS. TAS SC representatives need that information before they decide if the SC has interest.

An impact assessment, such as MR 10, is near impossible to figure out what the impact to the Transaction Set actually is.

Evaluating an MR would be much more “user friendly” if we had the information that was on the PDF’s showing the changes in context as was the case under the old process. Having to use GLASS to try to figure out what the impact assessment is causes a tremendous amount of extra work for TAS members as they have to keep switching from mr.x12.org to x12.ort/products/glass and back again to try to figure out what the MR is doing. All the information needed to assess the MR should be in one place. Trying to switch back and forth in GLASS will be tedious and time-consuming.

While GLASS is a good tool, it is not easily navigated when trying to assess changes to more than one structure at a time. For example, MR 80 adds a DE to a Segment, but it is not easy to use GLASS to view both DE’s and the segment.

MR’s approved during the Winter and Summer Standing meetings which go out for ballot or approved by publication by the PRB do not appear in GLASS until after the Fall Standing meeting. Therefore, one can’t use GLASS to review impact if multiple changes are being made to the object throughout the year.

TAS was able to review MR’s as they changed the standard. That is no longer available.

Subcommittee: The SCs need to evaluate the business process impact of an MR, how can they determine the technical impact before a business impact has been assessed and presented in a format other than a list of the changes.

Membership: I don’t believe that the membership has seen a new MR ballot yet. If the ballot only contains the impact assessment, it will be difficult for voters to assess the impact.

General: Updates to the mr.x12.org need to be real-time, not batched at the end of the meeting. No updates will delay MR processing as could be seen by this past meeting.

X12M did not review an MR from X12I because they did not know what X12I did with it. X12N had a similar issue.

X. Adjournment

The Transportation Subcommittee (X12I) Meeting was adjourned on Monday January 25, 2021 at 10:45 am CST.

Next Standing Meeting - Virtual: June 6-16, 2021 (San Antonio, TX - Virtual).