

KANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES
GOVERNING BOARD
Minutes of February 17, 2012
Topeka, Shawnee County, Kansas

Attendance

Board Members Present: Gary **Baker**, Stevens County Commissioner; Marvin **Beesley**, Gove County Noxious Weed Director; Gene **Bryan**, Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas; Jim **Emerson**, Crawford County Counselor; Bill **Guy**, Reno County Emergency Management Director; Kerry **McCue**, Ellis County EMS Director; J.R. **McMahon** II, Miami County Director of Public Works; Richard **Malm**, Jefferson County Commissioner; John **Miller**, Norton County Commissioner; Tim **Norton**, Sedgwick County Commissioner, President; Dan **Partridge**, Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department Administrator; Duane **Patrick**, McPherson County Commissioner (NACo representative); and Kimberly **Skillman-Robrahn**, Coffey County Commissioner.

Board Members Absent: Ben **Bennett**, Geary County Commissioner.

Others Present: Randall Allen, KAC Executive Director; Melissa Wangemann, KAC General Counsel; Nathan Eberline, Associate Counsel; and Dennis Kriesel, KAC Senior Analyst.

Proceedings

President Tim Norton called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. He asked for any additions or corrections to the agenda. There were no changes presented and the agenda was adopted.

Marvin Beesley noted that he was absent from the January meeting as did Kimberly Skillman-Robrahn and Dan Partridge. Marvin Beesley also noted his name was spelled wrong in the minutes. Marvin Beesley moved to amend the minutes to correct these mistakes, and his motion was seconded by Jim Emerson. The motion passed.

Dan Partridge reviewed the bills and payroll and Kerry McCue moved to approve the report and place it on file. His motion was seconded by Kimberly Skillman-Robrahn. The motion passed.

Dennis Kriesel presented the 2011 financial report and reviewed a timeline of net income from 2000 to 2011.

Randall Allen presented the 2012 secretariat agreement between KAC and the Kansas County Commissioners Association. J.R. McMahon moved and Kimberly Skillman-Robrahn seconded the motion; the motion passed.

Randall Allen presented an engagement letter from Mayer Hoffman McCann for compilation of the KAC's interim and annual 2012 financial statements. Kerry McCue moved to approve the letter and authorize signature on the letter. Richard Malm seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Melissa Wangemann and Randall Allen provided the legislative report. Melissa Wangemann noted that turnaround occurs on Friday, February 24 and bills would die if not passed out of the house of origin. She discussed bills that were heard in the last week relating to term limits for commissioners, appointment of county row offices, prohibition against credit card surcharges and limitations on knives. Randall Allen talked about the various tax bills and the bill that would eliminate KACIR.

President Tim Norton gave his report. He and Randall met with the League of Kansas Municipalities and they are working on repairing their relationship. His second initiative issue is the legislative agenda, and he thinks KAC staff is staying on top and he wants to come back to Topeka on some of the big issues. He noted the scope creep occurring on the 911 duties that is impacting staff time. He talked about the health accreditation program that is set to begin later in the month.

Randall Allen gave his executive director's report. He said that 101 counties have subscribed to the road engineer program, the highest subscription rate ever. Randall Allen provided a report about outstanding dues from counties, noting the particular counties that have not paid. He also noted that one county asked if they could pay the amount they paid last year. The Governing Board asked Randall Allen to send a letter explaining the dues methodology and the benefits of membership, including the fact that KAC submitted an amicus brief in support of the county.

The board members shared information from their counties and affiliate groups.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Melissa Wangemann