**Attendance**

Board Members Present: Gary Baker, Stevens County Commissioner; Ben Bennett, Geary County Commissioner; 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; Duane Patrick, McPherson County Commissioner (NACo representative); Dan Partridge, Lawrence-Douglas County Health Department Administrator; Kimberly Skillman-Robrahm, Coffey County Commissioner.

Board Members Absent: Marvin Beesley, Gove County Noxious Weed Director.

Others Present: Randall Allen, Executive Director; Melissa Wangemann, General Counsel; Dennis Kriesel, Senior Policy Analyst.

**Proceedings**

President Tim Norton called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. Because there was no quorum, he skipped to item 5 on the agenda, the legislative report. Melissa Wangemann gave the legislative report, noting the work on the budget, concealed carry, consolidation, and the machinery/equipment property tax exemption. Gary Baker asked about the oil and gas depletion fund and Melissa Wangemann explained that the provisions of that bill will be folded into another bill instead of the legislature attempting a veto override. President Norton asked Randall Allen to provide the history of the oil/gas valuation depletion fund, and Randall Allen gave an overview of the law.

Tim Norton asked Gene Bryan to prepare a short white paper explaining the repercussions if the machinery and equipment legislation passed.

Having received a quorum present on the phone, President Norton returned to the agenda. Duane Patrick moved to approve the February minutes. Gene Bryan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Tim Norton passed over the agenda item of the financial report, noting it wasn’t possible to create the report in the last week of the session.
Brenda Flanagan, CPA, joined the Board at 9:30 am and provided an overview of the 911 audit. She noted the disbursements to the PSAPs of $6.57m over $5.76m from the previous year. The administrative fees increased from $117,864 to $133,984. Cash at the end of the year was lower because more monies were able to be dispersed. She said there is no management letter this year and that the audit saw no concerns with the process. Bill Guy moved, and Kerry McCue seconded a motion to accept the report and place it on file. The motion passed.

Duane Patrick discussed his experience attending the National Association of Counties legislative conference in March.

President Norton called on Kerry McCue to provide an update on the issue of federal reimbursement of ambulance services. Kerry McCue asked to defer the discussion until the next board meeting so he could invite a subject matter expert to discuss it in person.

President Tim Norton gave his report. He said he thought the relationship between the League of Kansas Municipalities had been healed during the legislative session. President Norton said he wants to work on branding and image-creating after the session. He commented on the 911 audit, noting it was a good audit. President Norton noted that he had received over 40 emails this session about legislative matters and he was very pleased with the communication coming from the KAC staff.

Randall Allen gave his executive director’s report. He asked Dennis Kriesel and Melissa Wangeman to provide an update on the 911 fee remittance and distribution. Dennis Kriesel outlined the process of remitting the monies and distributing the monies, noting that we received $1.5m. Only $1.19m was distributed to the PSAPs because KAC did not receive data from some telecommunication providers and therefore could not assign those monies to the proper PSAP. Melissa Wangemann explained the steps taken by KAC to track down any telecom providers that have not remitted their monies or data, including sending demand letters. She noted that the big telecom provider that had not submitted monies was building a new billing system, making it difficult to provide the data.

Randall Allen explained that the NACo deferred compensation program had encountered compliance issues with the Dodd Frank Act, the federal law that regulates insurance and securities offerings. Randall Allen noted that he and his staff have never offered advice on the deferred compensation. However, new regulations under Dodd-Frank would require us to register as a municipal advisor. Lisa Todd from NACo joined the Board meeting via phone to discuss the deferred compensation plan. Randall Allen asked for authorization from the Board to sign the application to become a member of the NACo LLC Agreement. Duane Patrick moved and Gene Bryan seconded the motion to authorize the signatures on the agreement and payment of the fee to join the LLC.
The motion passed.

Randall Allen discussed the public health project and the first meeting in Topeka in March. He noted that the Secretary of KDHE dropped in on the meeting and seemed very interested in the project.

Randall Allen also talked about the letter that was sent to Wabaunsee County. He noted that KAC has 102 members, minus Wabaunsee, Chautauqua and Kearny.

Randall Allen talked about the Kansas County Commissioners Association’s upcoming annual conference and outlined on the conference agenda.

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

Randall noted the upcoming board meeting in May and the regional meetings that KAC staff will be attending in April.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Melissa Wangemann