Attendance

Board Members Present: John Bartolac, Johnson County Director of Records and Tax Administration; Marvin Beesley, Gove County Noxious Weed Director; Robert Boyd, Riley County Commissioner; Gene Bryan, Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City Appraiser, President; Jim Emerson, Crawford County Counselor; Stan McEvoy, Decatur County Commissioner; Richard Malm, NACo Representative; Lynn Peterson, Dickinson County Commissioner; Hannah Stambaugh, Saline County Emergency Management Director; Shawn Tasset, Ford County Commissioner; Glen Tyson, Osage County Road Director and Dan Woydziak, Butler County Commissioner.

Board Members Absent: Allison Alejos, Director of the Shawnee County Health Agency; Kerry McCue, Ellis County EMS Director; Norbert Marek, Wabaunsee County Attorney; and Rob Roberts, Miami County Commissioner.

Others Present: Randall Allen, KAC Executive Director; Dennis Kriesel, Operations and Finance Director; Melissa Wangemann, General Counsel.

Proceedings

President Gene Bryan called the meeting of the KAC Governing Board to order at 9:01 a.m. Randall Allen called roll and Allison Alejos, Kerry McCue, Norbert Marek, Rob Roberts, and Shawn Tasset were absent. Shawn Tasset arrived at the Salina meeting location after roll call.

President Bryan called on Randall Allen to review the preliminary 2016 budget. Randall Allen reviewed the chart entitled “Unrestricted Cash Balances” and noted the history of the cash balances. He noted the healthy growth of KAC’s cash balance. Randall Allen explained the designated and undesignated balances; the designated balance relates to the segregated fund for the Local Road Engineer Program. He noted that starting in 2015, and even more so in 2016, the KAC will have to subsidize the program in absence of KDOT funding. Robert Boyd asked about the State’s contribution to the Local Road Engineer Program, and Randall Allen said it was $25,000 in the past. The State has decreased the payment to the program, with $10,000 received this year.

Randall Allen moved to discussion on the Income versus Expenses page. He noted an imbalance of about $40,000. He explained the major contributing factor is the annual conference. He noted the anticipated income from the KAC 2016 annual conference and the anticipated costs of the conference, which show a negative $45,000. He asked the policy
question of whether the annual conference should break even or should KAC subsidize the conference. He noted that the legislative program never makes money. He said the final costs to health insurance were not known. Randall Allen said the KCCA has made $7,000 in annual dues to the KAC. Other affiliates pay $2,500 in dues. The 2016 budget draft has each commissioner on the governing board paying $2,500 or an $8,000 increase in revenue to the budget. Randall Allen noted a $12,923 loss of dues based on the possibility of losing Sedgwick County. He said there were no overall changes in the amount of travel in the budget, and that rent will remain the same with the LKM. He said that Jeanna Lee’s allotted time is changed with more time charged to 911 duties, but that her pay has not changed.

Gene Bryan called for any questions from the Board members. Gene Bryan asked about the annual conference expenses and whether an option is to increase registration fees. John Bartolac asked about other venues in the Johnson County area that might be cheaper than the Overland Park Sheraton. John Bartolac thought a new hotel in Lenexa might have convention area. Stan McEvoy asked what the registration adjustment would be to make up the difference. Randall Allen said we generally assume 400 with an early bird registration, so $10 increase would net $4,000 revenues, but you have to factor in attrition from the increased price. Dennis Kriesel said the fee would have to increase $75 per person to close the gap. Dennis Kriesel said the 2016 annual conference is scheduled to include two lunches around $20,000 each with two breakfasts running around $13,000. KAC would pay $19,000 in service fees at 20% of the food charges.

Continued discussion focused on the KAC annual conference and possible cost reductions. The board discussion focused on costs per meal. Lynn Peterson asked about looking at cost reductions on board travel, such as having another entity, such as the member’s county, pay for the travel instead of KAC. Randall noted that this was done in KAC’s past but it has been current policy for KAC to pay travel costs, to encourage participation and attendance.

Randall Allen discussed the next board meeting, including the board/staff dinner and who outside the board is expected to be in attendance.

Dan Woydziak moved and Shawn Tasset seconded a motion for adjournment. The motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.