

Kansas Association of Counties  
Governing Board Minutes  
November 3, 2015

Attendance

Board Members Present: Allison **Alejos**, Director of the Shawnee County Health Agency; 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; Kerry **McCue**, Ellis County EMS Director; Stan **McEvoy**, Decatur County Commissioner; Richard **Malm**, NACo Representative; Norbert **Marek**, Wabaunsee County Attorney; Lynn **Peterson**, Dickinson County Commissioner; **Rob Roberts**, Miami 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.

Others Present: Randall Allen, KAC Executive Director; Dennis Kriesel, Operations and Finance Director; Melissa Wangemann, General Counsel; Sallie Clark, NACo President; Sandy Horton, Sheriffs Association Executive Director; Max Dibble, Phillips County Commissioner.

Proceedings

President Gene Bryan called the meeting of the KAC Governing Board to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed guests Sallie Clark, Max Dibble and Sandy Horton.

President Bryan called for a review of the agenda, and there were no changes to the agenda.

President Bryan called on the board to review the minutes and requested a motion. Robert Boyd moved and Glenn Tyson seconded the motion to adopt the minutes. The motion passed.

President Bryan moved on to discussion of the monthly financial report for the month ending August 31, 2015. Treasurer Glen Tyson delivered the report, noting there were no discrepancies. Stan McEvoy moved and Dan Woydziak seconded the motion to accept the report and place it on file. The motion passed.

Dennis Kriesel presented the monthly financial report, noting the increase in revenues based on annual conference registrations. He said net income for the month for the annual conference was \$19,000. Dennis Kriesel reported that overall net income for the month was \$17,000. He expects the surge in revenue to continue into November until the annual conference bills hit. Dennis Kriesel noted that the rest of the program revenues are typical for the month. He said the legislative program is always negative because it does not generate any income. Dennis

Kriesel also noted a loss to the road engineer program because KDOT provided no funds for this year. Marvin Beesley moved to accept the memorandum and place it on file, and John Bartolac seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Melissa Wangemann reviewed the legislative protocols. She explained the town hall meeting to discuss legislation, and the adoption process at the annual meeting. There was some discussion about possible amendments to the policy statement, and Melissa Wangemann noted that the only issue she thought might arise is Leavenworth's concern about their nuisance abatement proposal. Rob Roberts said he had talked with the Majority Leader Jene Vickrey and he agreed with the KAC compromise language.

President Bryan called on Randall Allen to present the 2016 KAC budget. Randall Allen began by noting increased pricing for the 2016 annual conference in Overland Park, which amounts to \$43,000. He explained the overall budget for 2016 is \$1,108,322. He reviewed the assumptions on page 2 of his memo, including the possible loss of a large urban county. Randall Allen said affiliate organizations 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 from the KCCA. He presented a \$20 increase on the full conference registration fee to help fill the gap, and a \$10 increase would be assigned to Institute of Excellence programs. The Local Road Engineer Program would see a \$10 increase to the subscription fee. Randall Allen noted that the 911 contract would come up for bid in the summer of 2016 and the KAC governing board would need to discuss whether to bid on the RFP or ask the Council to bifurcate the contract into two parts with KAC bidding on just the receipt and dissemination of 911 fees.

Gene Bryan suggested that the Board review the dues allocation before deciding the budget. Randall Allen reviewed the handout on the dues allocation methodology. Each county pays a base of \$500. The remaining balance of the budget is split among counties based on population and valuation. No county pays more than 3.75% and the large counties do not pay more than \$16,154. Randall Allen reviewed what the affiliate and associate organizations pay, and the time table for paying dues.

President Bryan returned to discussion on the budget, noting the dues methodology and the budget are intertwined. Robert Boyd suggested we review the dues cap for the large urban counties. Dan Woydziak suggested that proposal might be premature while KAC is rewriting its Bylaws to address large urban counties. Robert Boyd thought the Board needed to study the formula going forward. President Bryan said the formula probably needs to be reviewed because it has been years since a review. Lynn Peterson suggested finding economic opportunities in Overland Park for sponsorship and financial support. Randall Allen noted that KAC had \$57,000 in sponsorships for this year's annual conference. He said only \$35,000 was budgeted for the 2016 year because KAC was not planning to rely on the Foley Equipment

sponsorship. Dan Woydziak suggested tourism groups that might help find financial support that KAC should contact. Robert Boyd moved that the budget be adopted as presented. Marvin Beesley seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Shawn Tasset moved and Robert Boyd seconded a motion to adopt the methodology and authorize KAC staff to send due statements based on the methodology. The motion passed.

Robert Boyd moved to establish a budget and dues study committee, with the composition of the board determined by the president. Shawn Tasset seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Randall Allen reviewed the KAC Annual Conference program book, noting the programs and workshops on each day. Sallie Clark complimented the board on its app, saying it was a huge benefit for getting around. Randall Allen noted the events that required board attendance. He said that the annual business meeting is a breakfast instead of lunch this year.

Randall Allen gave his Executive Director's Report. He noted the master calendar that he shared with the Board. He discussed the interim committee on agriculture and natural resources, which heard about water and noxious weeds at an October meeting. An interim Local Government Committee will review the number of local government units later in November.

President Gene Bryan gave his President's Report. He discussed the success of the annual conference, and the work of the KAC staff. President Bryan appointed a Bylaws Study Committee, to include Dan, John, Lynn, Shawn and Hannah. He discussed the upcoming legislative proposals from the Kansas Association of Realtors and the Kansas Chamber. He also noted the rollover provision that applies when a person gets a favorable tax appeal, which freezes the valuation for two years. Johnson County has filed a mandamus action against the KDOR Property Valuation Division with 14 counties signing on to the petition challenging the constitutionality of the freeze.

Dan Woydziak moved to enter into executive session at 10:30 a.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel, resuming at 11:00 a.m. Dan Woydziak explained that the subject was a personnel matter and executive session would be exercised for the purpose of protecting the employee's privacy. Kerry McCue seconded the motion, and the motion passed. The board returned to regular business at 11:00 a.m. A second motion was made at 11:00 a.m. to extend the executive session for 15 minutes, until 11:15 a.m., and that motion passed. The board returned to regular session at 11:15 a.m. No action was taken in executive session.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.