

Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

Envision/Zoom

10:00—11:30 a.m.

Minutes

Members Present

Brian Powers-Chair	Rosie Green	Andrew Crane
Emily Jensen	Gary Janzen	Jayne Otis
Karen Flateau (z)	Kyelene Flaming	Lisa Vayda (z)
Raven Alexander (z)	Shelley Herrington (z)	Terese Goren
Susan Ternes (z)	Tom Page (z)	Virginia Zapote (z)

City/County Staff Present

Armand Shukaev	Sabrina Young	

Guests

	No Guests were introduced	
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- I. Welcome, Announcements & Introductions – Chair Brian Powers
 - a. Chair Brian Powers called the meeting to order with a quorum present.
- II. Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion made by Andrew Crane to approve June 2024 minutes; seconded by Emily Jensen. **13-0.**
- III. Monthly Updates
 - a. Transportation Committee
 - i. Raven Alexander gave an update from the latest transportation committee meeting.
 - ii. Penny Feist is now the director for Wichita Transit
 - iii. Multimodal center is going back out for bid
 - iv. Transit advisory Board received a monthly update from the consultants working on the redesign. Next month will have them come and give an update.
 - v. Brief discussion of budget based on last months questions.
 - vi. The United Way/VA MOU was signed allowing the Veteran Free Ride program to continue for two more years
 - vii. Looking at the routes for Wichita Public Schools as the school year gets ready to start.

- viii. Tom Page asked for more details on what was discussed during the budget discussion of the City Council meeting.
 - 1. Raven Alexander replied, it is the same budget that is posted online. Will send link to Sabrina to send to the board.
- ix. Brian Powers asked if it would be possible to have Ms. Feist visit the board sometime in the future.
 - 1. Raven Alexander replied, yes, definitely.
- b. Sedgwick County ADA Proclamation
 - i. The proclamation was read into the record at the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners meeting on July 17.
 - ii. Brian Powers stated that they had a chance to talk about the disability waiting list. The Commissioners will have it as part of their next legislative agenda.

IV. New Business

- a. Promotion of the Kansas Safety Conference
 - i. Emily Jensen spoke about the Kansas Safety Conference to be held on March 2, 2024.
 - 1. Wichita is hosting the conference.
 - 2. Registration is \$50 for a two day conference.
 - 3. Purpose of the conference is to make sure those who work in transportation do so in a safe environment.
- b. Election of Board Chair
 - i. Kyelene Flaming stated that she is working to reach out to the organizations that have an empty seat on the board to try and get active members from those areas.
 - ii. Kyelene Flaming nominated Brian Powers to continue as board chair. Andrew Crane seconded.
 - 1. Brian Powers declined the nomination.
 - iii. Emily Jensen asked for clarification on County/City employees being Chair regarding a suggestion made by Kyelene Flaming at the last meeting.
 - 1. Kyelene Flaming clarified that she just feels that the Chair should not be someone employed by the City or the County because those people are representing the population at large. It should be one of the other organizations or someone appointed by an elected official. As long as it isn't someone earning a paycheck to be there.
 - iv. Members discussed vacant positions and how to fill them.
 - 1. Several members stated they know people and will reach out about serving.
 - 2. Tom Page stated that the meeting time makes it hard for some people to serve.
 - 3. Suggestions were made regarding possible meeting times.

4. Brian Powers asked if Tom Page would consider a second nomination. Tom Page said he would consider the Vice-chair position.
 5. Brian Powers states he would like to table the vote of a board chair until next month. Tom Page made a motion to table and it was seconded. Board voted unanimously by voice vote to table until next month.
- V. Announcements
 - VI. Public Comment – No public comment
 - VII. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 10:45 AM.

The next meeting of the Wichita/Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board will be on August 26, 2024 from 10:00am to 11:30am at the Envision Building and Zoom.