

MINUTES
STATE DESIGN PARTNERING COMMITTEE
MAY 10, 2022
TOPEKA, KANSAS

Present were Brad Austin, Randy Riveland, Frank Burnam, Tom Orazem, Bruce McMillan, Jarrod Mann, Christy Davis, Matt Casey, Chad Bristow, Jane Huesemann, Randy Deshon, Cory Wilson, David Wright, and Scott Heidner.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2022 committee meeting. Motion carried.

Burnam gave an OFPM update. Ray Smith has retired, and they have hired Diana Hutchison as a code review planning specialist. There will be some manual updates coming regarding virtual proposals. He gave an update on the KDHE lab and the Docking project. Federal stimulus funds have provided a great boost towards funding of the projects. SBAC meets tomorrow to short-list the Docking project as well as others.

Deshon gave an update from OSFM. Brian Love has left to take a position at KDHE. They will be hiring a few positions to account for the elevator legislation that passed in 2022. They are down one inspector.

Casey gave a KBOR update. They were able to secure \$45 million for the capital renewal initiative: \$35 million for investment at a dollar-for-dollar match, and \$10 million for the demolition of old facilities. The nature of those projects should become clearer later in the year as the selection process evolves.

Davis gave an AIA update. HB 2237 was passed in the 2022 session, with focus on rural development projects. This had been a long-time

priority for AIA. September 14-15 will be the AIA Annual Conference. AIA is working to build an aggressive social media presence.

Heidner gave the ACEC Kansas update. The Emerging Leaders Program will meet in person for the first time in three years. There has been a struggle to get applicants for the scholarship program. It was a good legislative year, with robust funding for infrastructure.

Heidner gave an update on QBS. The ACEC National Research Institute is completing a new report on QBS, including information on current trends and data regarding which processes provide best value. It was noted that some local owner RFPs are still asking for price.

It was agreed to meet sometime around September or October. Heidner will send a Doodle poll in mid-August to determine a date.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.