

MINUTES
ACEC/AIA/OFPM/OSFM PARTNERING
NOVEMBER 30, 2020
ZOOM

Present were Brad Austin, Joanna Hankins, Randy Riveland, Tom Orazem, Brian Love, Jane Huesemann, Terry Humphry, Cory Wilson, Bruce McMillan, Chad Bristow, Matt Casey, and Scott Heidner.

Austin welcomed committee members and introduced the representatives from the Kansas Board of Regents.

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of the June 30, 2020 partnering meeting. Motion carried.

Riveland gave an OFPM update. Their office will remain in a work-from-home status for the foreseeable future. The Docking project will be discussed this legislative session. Several agencies have projects on hold while they wait to see how state revenue shortfalls might impact their budgets. The SBAC met earlier this month to discuss on-call contracts. The December SBAC meeting has been cancelled.

Love gave an OSFM update. They have spent a lot of time helping health centers and child centers manage the Covid crisis. They are running about six weeks for plan review. They added two new fire specialists. The adoption of the 2018 IBC is still in process. They are regulating hemp facilities as of July 1. Inspections are projected to be on an annual basis.

Bristow and Casey gave a KBOR update. The University Engineering Initiative Act will be up for renewal in the 2021 legislative session. This will be a major priority. They are nearing completion of some system-wide studies regarding the deferred maintenance of facilities. There was discussion on the old SB9 process.

Humphrey gave an AIA update. Their Annual Conference was held virtually. They continue to offer education online, as well as Board and other meetings. They will be watching for any attacks on licensure in the upcoming legislative session.

Heidner gave an ACEC update. All meetings have been virtual to this point. The leadership program is full again in 2020 but has been postponed until it is safe to meet in person.

Humphrey and Heidner led a legislative discussion. Licensure and infrastructure funding continue to be items of serious debate. The University Engineering Initiative Act will be a priority for ACEC and KBOR.

Austin led a discussion about the revised partnering agreement. It was agreed to remove the language about 2 in-person meetings being required. Austin will make the update and circulate the agreement to the participating organizations for signatures.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.