



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE KANSAS CHAPTER AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

**Date: October 14, 2014**  
**Time: 10:00 a.m.**

**Location:**  
**Farm Credit Building**  
**245 N. Waco**  
**Wichita, KS**

**Board Member Attendees:** Ray Ibarra, Chuck Bartlett, David Cronin, Russ Tomevi, Justin Erickson, Brett Letkowski, Shawn Mellies, Karla Waters, Nathan Bergman

**Absent:** Brian Clennan, Ron Seitz, Kenzil Lynn, Brenda Herrman

Meeting was called to order at 10:05 by R. Ibarra

### **I. Chapter Activity Reports**

- a. Treasurer's Report (*Russ Tomevi*) - \$18,791 in checking account; \$13,636 in chapter CD; Scholarship Funds totaling \$164,130  
Scholarship funds were doubled this year, a total of four \$1000 scholarships were awarded (2 KU/2 KSU).
- b. Scholarship / LTAP (*Ron Seitz*) – Ron absent; no report
- c. Membership Update (*Justin Erickson*) - Justin absent; no report
- d. Career Awareness (*Shawn Mellies*) - Shawn absent; no report
- e. Awards (*Brett Letkowski*) - Request for project awards will be sent out soon.
- f. Newsletter (*Karla Waters*) - Fall newsletter just distributed with end of the year newsletter upcoming. Send ideas for newsletter to Karla.
- g. League / Legislative Affairs (*Nathan Bergman*) - Vote November 4th. Contact legislators to remind them of importance of infrastructure projects.
- h. Delegate's Report (*Kenzil Lynn*) (*Brenda Herrman*) - Kenzil and Brenda absent; no report. Ray discussed National change to Council of Chapters.

### **II. Chapter Business**

- a. 2015 Election of Officers (Ray Ibarra) - Proposed 2015 Executive Committee (attached) was distributed to board and members present. Motion to approve 2015 Executive Committee by N. Bergman, Second B. Letkowski. Motion carried 9-0.
- b. LTAP Presentation (Ray Ibarra) - Recognition of those that completed Road Scholar Level 2 Supervisory Skill Program.
- c. Chapter website discussion (Jared) - New template is ready to go, should be much more user friendly. Jared went through the webinar training and filled out paperwork to begin transition from old webpage to new webpage. Content from old webpage can be uploaded to new webpage. Jared showed the new webpage template and the improvements. Motion to approve change to new webpage made by K. Waters, Second N. Bergman. Motion carried 9-0.
- d. Introduction of Brad Patterson, APWA National Membership Director

**III. Program of Fall Conference**

**Next Meeting: November 6, 2014; Lawrence, KS**

Attachments:

2015 Executive Committee

Annual Fall Meeting Agenda

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AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION  
PROPOSED 2015 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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### Annual Fall Meeting

Date: October 14, 2014  
Time: 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM  
Location: Farm Credit Building  
Kansas Room  
245 N. Waco  
Wichita, Kansas 67202

The format of the meeting will be casual and interactive. Please enjoy this opportunity to network with colleagues, share your challenges and successes, and gather ideas, information, and energy from this professional development opportunity. APWA Members are encouraged to register and bring non-members.

Registration fees are \$45 per person. Registration for this event is not related to the fall League of Municipalities meeting. Registration Deadline: Noon Friday October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

- 9:30 – 10:00** Pre-meeting break (coffee & snacks)
- 10:00 – 10:30** Annual Fall Business Meeting (Committee Reports and Election of Officers)  
Ray Ibarra, Chapter President
- 10:30 – 11:15** Conceal Carry Legislation and Policies for Public Works  
Eric Smith, League of Kansas Municipalities
- 11:20 – 12:00** Navigating Political Terrain  
Kathy Sexton, City of Derby (CITY MANAGER)
- 12:00 – 1:00** Lunch – will be provided
- 1:00 – 1:45** Junction City, Public Works Private-Public Conversion  
APWA National Award – Excellence in Operations  
Greg McCaffrey, P.E., City of Junction City
- 1:50 – 2:35** Wichita's Pedestrian Master Plan – Engineering, Policies, and Programs to make Wichita more Walkable.  
Scott Wadle, City of Wichita
- 2:35 – 2:50** Gift Certificate Drawing
- 2:50 – 3:15** Travel to Wichita Airport Terminal Tour Transportation will be provided.
- 3:15 – 4:00** Wichita Airport Terminal Tour. The new Wichita Airport terminal is under construction now and we have an opportunity to have a behind-the-scenes tour

Attendance: 31