



KAA Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 5, 2022

Attendees:

Member	Attendance	Member	Attendance
Aaron Otto	Yes	Mark Ostmeyer	Yes
Jim Jacobs	Yes	Brian Palmer	No
Corey Keller	No	Shelli Swanson	Yes
Scott Wagner	Yes	Mark Williams	No
Vacant (academic member)		Bob Brock	Yes

- I. Call to order.
 - a. The meeting was called to order by Shelli Swanson at 1:35 p.m.

- II. Approval of the March 22, 2022 minutes.
 - a. The March 22, 2022 minutes were unanimously approved without change.

- III. Board Members.
 - a. Appointment of Mark Ostmeyer.
 - i. The appointment of Mark Ostmeyer of Colby, Kansas to the board as a replacement for the position held by Brian Cowles was unanimously approved by the board.
 - b. Academic member vacancy.
 - i. It was noted that Lindsey Dreiling had to resign from the board as she had taken a position outside the university.

- IV. Treasurer’s Report.
 - a. Brian Palmer was absent. There was no treasurer’s report.

- V. Scholarship Committee Report.
 - a. Aaron Otto provided an update. He noted that \$1,500 remains in the scholarship fund and his recommendation was to save it for next year and to award twice that amount. There was general board discussion about the limited amount of funds for the scholarship and perhaps a larger amount would draw some applications in the future.

VI. 2022 KAA Conference.

- a. The board reviewed the plans for the 2022 KAA Conference to be held in Dodge City, KS on June 14, 15 and 16, 2022. Everything is on track to-date. The conference registration link is out now. There will be a best boots contest at the opening night event. There was general discussion about the sponsors that had been secured as of the date of the board meeting. Various board members offered to follow up with potential sponsors. There was general board discussion about the speakers and holes that needed to be filled yet in the speaker schedule.

VII. Nominating Committee.

- a. Mark Williams was absent. No update was provided.

VIII. KDOT Update.

- a. Bob Brock provided an update on KDOT grant opportunities. He noted that grant requests can still be submitted to KDOT through the end of the state fiscal year.

IX. BHL Strategic Planning.

- a. Brad Parker of BHL introduced himself. He will be the central point of contact for the KAA board for BHL. He is currently working with Mike Tracy of Overland Park on a strategic planning session with the board. The session will be held in the Topeka offices of BHL. Shelli Swanson will send out a survey for board members to find an available day and time for the strategic planning meeting. It will be a half-day session.

X. Other Business.

- a. Shelli Swanson briefly discussed current membership numbers. Membership currently stands at 58 which is at the same level as this time last year. She stated she would send out the membership report after the board meeting.

XI. Meeting adjourned at 2:02 p.m.