



**Kansas Municipal Energy Agency**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**May 8, 2019**

**Attendees:**

Director	City
Christina Schlatter *	Altamont
Larry Berry	Anthony
Steve Wilkinson	Anthony
Ray Vail	Arma
Rob Culley	Baldwin City
Glenn Rodden	Baldwin City
Manny Milbers	Beloit
Max Krull *	Blue Mound
Wes Colson	Burlingame
Jacob Oppenheimer	Chapman
Debra Darnell *	Chetopa
Shannon Hoskinson	Cimarron
Mike Shook	Coffeyville
Tyson McGreer	Colby
Cameron Horesky	Eudora
Mike Muirhead *	Garden City
Cliff Sonnenberg	Garden City
Gonzalo Garcia	Gardner
Robert Mills	Garnett
Chris Weiner	Garnett
Clifford Scales	Girard
Brandon Foraker	Girard
Dustin Bedore	Goodland
Chris Douglass	Goodland
David Kahle	Herington
Dennis Mersch	Hill City
Jonathan Mitchell	Hoisington
Scott Fredrickson	Holton
Ira Harrison	Holton
Kerwin McKee	Holton
Gary Rowden	Hugoton
Charlie Wagner	Hugoton
Michael Ort	Jetmore
Jerry Ohmes	KC BPU
Dong Quach	KC BPU

Director	City
Lou Leone	Kiowa
Duane Moeder *	LaCrosse
Sharlyn Thompson *	La Harpe
Bradley Eilts	Larned
Ralph Streit	Larned
Harry Zielke	Larned
Greg DuMars	Lindsborg
Don Koester	Mankato
Dean Cordes	Meade
Randy Frazer	Moundridge
Ed Truelove *	Neodesha
Halley Roberson	Oberlin
David Sporn	Oberlin
Joey Lamond	Osage City
Rod Willis	Osage City
Scott Nuzum	Osborne
Sara Caylor *	Ottawa
Jeff Oleson	Ottawa
Dennis Tharp	Ottawa
Kathy Wood *	Prescott
Kevin Wood *	Prescott
Duane Banks	Russell
Jim Cross	Russell
Jon Quinday	Russell
Jeff Williamson	St. John
Matthew Rehder	Seneca
Brad Hatfield	Sharon Springs
David Fankhauser *	Sterling
John Wagerle *	Sterling
Jeff Scott	Stockton
Kim Thomas	Stockton
Merl Page	Wamego
Rick Applegarth	Washington
Roger Estes *	Wellington

Others
Representatives from KMEA
Representatives from KMGA
Sarah Steele, Gilmore & Bell

Staff
Gerry Bieker
Neal Daney
Paul Mahlberg
Sam Mills
Jennifer Moore
Dixie Riedel
Tom Saitta
Joni Shadonix
Gerry Stephenson

\* via conference call

**Item No. 1 – Call the Meeting to Order**

Vice President Greg DuMars called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Wichita, KS. A quorum was present.

**Item No. 2 – Approve the Minutes of the October 18, 2018 Board of Directors meeting**

Jonathan Mitchell made a motion to approve the October 18, 2018, Board of Directors minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Kim Thomas and the motion carried.

**Item No. 3 – Take action to adopt Resolution No. 214, accepting application of additional members (Arcadia, Morrill); authorizing and providing for the execution of an Amendment to the Agreement Creating the Agency (28<sup>th</sup>) reflecting the addition of said members to the Agency; consenting to the withdrawal of a member (Lucas) of the Agency; and authorizing other actions related thereto**

Lou Leone made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 214, accepting application of additional members (Arcadia, Morrill); authorizing and providing for the execution of an Amendment to the Agreement Creating the Agency (28<sup>th</sup>) reflecting the addition of said members to the Agency; consenting to the withdrawal of a member (Lucas) of the Agency; and authorizing other actions related thereto. The motion was seconded by Michael Ort and the motion carried.

**Item No. 4 – Approve the renewal of 1 Year Lines-of-Credit for EMP1, EMP2 and EMP3**

Cliff Sonnenberg made a motion to approve the renewal of 1 Year Lines-of-Credit for EMP1, EMP2 and EMP3. The motion was seconded by Robert Mills and the motion carried.

**Item No. 5 – Presentation of Preliminary 2020 Agency Budget**

Jennifer Moore reviewed the Preliminary 2020 Agency Budget. Highlights included:

- Budget by Project (%) – 2019 vs 2020;
- Budget by Expense Type (%) – 2019 vs 2020;
- Project Budgets (\$) – 2019 vs 2020;
- Budget Agency Cost/MWh (\$) – 2013 -2020;
- Budget Revenue and Expenses (\$) – 2019 vs 2020.

The Preliminary 2020 Agency Budget will be posted on the KMEA website in Excel format to aid cities in the preparation of their 2020 Budgets. The final Budget will be presented to the Board for approval in October.

**Item No. 6 – Presentation of KMEA/KMGA Strategic Plan**

Paul Mahlberg presented the KMEA/KMGA Strategic Plan, which is a culmination of the work of the Strategic Planning Task Force that was composed of 17 of our member cities and five of KMEA Staff and facilitated by Tim Blodgett of Hometown Connections. The process resulted in the group establishing the following three Strategic Areas of Focus:

- Strategic Growth
- Communications/Identity
- Organization

Staff then developed specific goals for each of the three Strategic Areas of Focus and the final Plan was approved by the Task Force and the KMEA and KMGA Executive Committees.

**Item No. 7 – Introduce proposed changes to KMEA Bylaws**

Paul Mahlberg reviewed the proposed changes to the KMEA Bylaws.

- Current Language – Each Director so selected shall reside within the territory served by the electric utility of the selecting Member and meet all other requirements of the Act and the Agreement.

- Proposed Language – Each Director so selected shall (a) reside within the territory served by the electric utility of the selecting Member *or (b) be an employee of the selecting Member.* Each Director shall meet all other requirements of the Act and the Agreement.

Greg DuMars also informed the Board that it is becoming a struggle to get quorum at Board meetings as we grow the Agency and that we may need to take a look at what constitutes a quorum. He asked Board members to reach out to the KMEA Executive Committee or Paul with thoughts/comments/ideas.

No action was taken at today's meeting as changes to the Bylaws requires an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members. A mail ballot will be prepared at a future date to address proposed changes for eligibility and quorum requirements.

**Item No. 8 – Receive Nominating Committee Report and take action to elect Officers, Executive Committee members and Joint Board representative**

Vice President DuMars, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the slate of candidates for Officers, At-Large Members, and Joint Board representative. Ira Harrison, Jonathan Mitchell, and Dennis Tharp also served as this year's Nominating Committee.

Officers (one-year term)

President – Mike Muirhead, City of Garden City  
 Vice President – Greg DuMars, City of Lindsborg  
 Secretary/Treasurer – Robert Mills, City of Garnett

At-Large Members (two-year term)

Jon Quinday, City of Russell  
 Tyson McGreer, City of Colby  
 Matt Rehder, City of Seneca

Joint Board Representative (two-year term)

Dennis Tharp, City of Ottawa

Vice President DuMars called for nominations from the floor. No other nominations were made.

Shannon Hoskinson made a motion to accept the slate of candidates for Officers, At-Large Members, and Joint Board representative as presented. The motion was seconded by Gary Rowden and the motion carried.

**Item No. 9 – Old Business**

The was no old business.

**Item No. 10 – New Business**

Vice President DuMars thanked staff for working to benefit cities with the offering of additional services. He also encouraged EMP cities to attend the Joint EMP gathering on June 4-5, 2019. The registration deadline is Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Item No. 11 – Announce date, time and location for the next Executive Committee Meeting**

The next KMEA Board of Directors meeting will be held during our Annual Conference at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, October 3, 2019, at the Drury Plaza Hotel Broadview, Wichita, KS.

**Item No. 12 – Adjourn Meeting**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Robert Mills  
 Secretary/Treasurer