



## **1. Welcome, Introductions, and Announcements**

Commissioner Dave Unruh, Sedgwick County, welcomed attendees and asked for self-introductions.

## **2. Board of Directors Business**

### **A. Approval of minutes from March 7, 2014**

*Council Member Jeff Longwell, Wichita, (Commissioner Chip Westfall, Harvey County) moved to approve the minutes as presented. Motion adopted.*

### **B. Election of Officers**

The current REAP bylaws, adopted in 2008, state that preceding the May meeting each year, the Chair shall appoint a nominating committee who shall present nominations at the June meeting for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair. There is a clause in the bylaws stating the term of the officers is one year, or until such officer's successor is elected.

After discussion, the Executive Committee recommended that given the current review of the REAP financial assessments, bylaws and organizational structure, the election of officers should be delayed until these tasks are completed. The current Officers, Commissioner Dave Unruh, Chair, Commissioner Brad Dillon, Vice Chair, and Mayor Terry Somers, Treasurer, are willing to continue as the Officers until the organizational restructure is completed.

*Sasha Stiles, Andover, (Mayor Dion Avello, Derby) moved to postpone the election of officer's process, to follow the update of the Bylaws.*

### **C. Presentation of the 215 REAP Membership Assessment Structure**

In the 2014 REAP Work Plan, the Board of Directors created the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), made up of the professional managers and administrators in the member communities. The TAC was charged with several duties, including reviewing and updating the current REAP funding formulas.

Hugo Wall School, Wichita State University, conducted research and benchmarked against other similar organizations and Councils of Governments. Their findings are included on the following pages. This research, along with several funding formula options, was presented to the TAC in December. After reviewing the materials, the TAC requested Hugo Wall School develop an additional formula for consideration. At the February TAC meeting the model was reviewed and approved by the Committee, and they requested it come before the REAP Executive Committee for review.

The REAP Executive Committee met on April 10, 2014, reviewed the proposed assessment model, and recommended approval to the Board of Directors. The proposed structure complies with the Board's request that the separate dues for REAP and for Water Resources be combined into a single assessment.

The current REAP assessment formulas, included in the REAP Fiscal Procedures document, which became effective on June 7, 2010, are as follows:



#### Cities

- Population under 3,000: \$200 + \$.065 per capita
- Population between 3,000 and 10,000: \$1,000 + \$.065 per capita
- Population over 10,000: \$3,000 + \$.065 per capita

#### Counties

- Population less than 50,000: \$1,500 + \$.025 per capita
- Population above 50,000: \$3,000 + \$.025 per capita

The proposed 2015 Assessments structure is as follows:

#### Cities:

- Population under 3,000: \$200 + \$0.16 x population
- Population between 3,000 and 10,000: \$1,000 + \$0.16 x population
- Population over 10,000: \$3,000 + \$0.16 x population

#### Counties:

- Population under 10,000: \$1,000 + 0.065 x population
- Population over 10,000: \$3,000 + 0.065 x population

A chart showing the proposed costs, compared to the current cost of each member community is included below.

The determination of the population would remain the same as the current fiscal procedures dictate, the official population figures used for state purposes, as recorded by the Kansas Secretary of State.

The proposed assessment model generates approximately \$182,000 in annual dues, based on the current REAP membership. This level of funding was suggested by the TAC after reviewing prior budgets and expenditures and anticipated activities for 2015. Most REAP members will see marginal increase or decreases in their dues, depending mostly on whether or not they were members of REAP and Water, or only REAP. A few members will experience a notable change in the amount of their dues.

The REAP Fiscal Procedures document will be updated accordingly to reflect the changes to the funding structure and presented to the Board of Directors for consideration.

Following this Board meeting, Members are asked to return to their jurisdiction and discuss the proposed change with their fellow elected officials and their Manager/Administrative staff. The proposed funding structure will be placed on the July 11, 2014 Board of Directors meeting agenda for adoption.



**Proposed REAP 2015 Assessments**  
 Model with County At Similar Proportion of Current REAP Assessment (approximately .40 of City Rate)

Jurisdiction	2012 Certified Population	2014 Combined Water and REAP Assessments	2015 Assessment to 180k
<b>Under 3k</b>			<b>\$200+(0.16*population)</b>
Bentley*	534	\$235	\$ 285
Mount Hope	816	\$614	\$ 331
Garden Plain*	853	\$ 255	\$ 336
Benton	879	\$ 623	\$ 341
Conway Springs	1,252	\$675	\$ 400
Kechi	1,919	\$769	\$ 507
Halstead*	2,095	\$336	\$ 535
Cheney*	2,106	\$337	\$ 537
Clearwater	2,496	\$849	\$ 599
<b>3k-10k</b>			<b>\$1000+(0.16*population)</b>
Maize*	3,437	\$1,223	\$ 1,550
Hesston	3,725	\$2,522	\$ 1,596
Rose Hill	3,928	\$2,550	\$ 1,628
Goddard	4,367	\$2,611	\$ 1,699
Mulvane*	6,127	\$1,398	\$ 1,980
Bel Aire	6,806	\$2,953	\$ 2,089
Valley Center	6,861	\$ 2,961	\$ 2,098
Park City	7,336	\$3,027	\$ 2,174
Wellington	8,057	\$ 3,128	\$ 2,289
Augusta	9,265	\$ 3,297	\$ 2,482
<b>Over 10k</b>			<b>\$3000+(0.16*population)</b>
Andover	11,779	\$7,649	\$ 4,885
El Dorado*	13,008	\$3,846	\$ 5,081
Newton	19,230	\$8,692	\$ 6,077
Derby*	22,279	\$4,448	\$ 6,565
Hutchinson	42,142	\$12,900	\$ 9,743
Wichita	384,445	\$60,822	\$ 64,511
<b>Counties</b>			
<b>Under 10k</b>			<b>\$1000+(0.065*population)</b>
Kingman County	7,853	\$2,496	\$ 1,510
<b>Over 10k</b>			<b>\$3000+(0.065*population)</b>



McPherson County	29,241	\$3,031		\$	4,901
Sedgwick County	501,076	\$16,327		\$	35,570
Reno County	64,607	\$4,615		\$	7,199
Butler County	65,817	\$5,445		\$	7,278
Harvey County	34,846	\$ 3,171		\$	5,265
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$163,805</b>			<b>\$182,042</b>

*\*Not members of Water Resources*

Hugo Wall School conducted benchmarking and research on other councils of governments which were included in the packet.

The Executive Committee reviewed and discussed the proposed structure and recommended it be forward to the Board for discussion and preliminary approval at the May 2, 2014 meeting. The Committee also requested staff create an additional category of membership for affiliate members, with several rates, including one for individuals, one for organizations and one for businesses.

*The Board moved to preliminary approve the proposed 2015 REAP membership assessments, pending final adoption at the July 11, 2014 Board of Directors meeting. Additionally, the Board directed staff to create an affiliate membership dues structure to be presented to the Board at the July 11, 2014 meeting. Motion adopted.*

**D. Report of the Committees and Task Forces**

A report of the activities of the REAP Committees and Task Forces was included in the packet. Kelly Bergeron reminded the Board that the REAP Regional Water Conference is scheduled for May 29<sup>th</sup> at the Meridian Center in Newton. Angela Buzard, WSU, briefly reviewed the agenda for the Water Conference with the Board.

*The report was received and filed by the Board.*

**3. Regional Spotlight Issue: Transportation**

The Transportation Task Force provided an initial report of their findings on specific issues in public transit and common concerns of local governments related to transportation. The initial report is not intended to cover all the regional transportation issues, but to be a catalyst for discussions that will lead to consensus among REAP members on policy priorities and joint actions that can help grow the economy in South Central Kansas. The report can be accessed on the REAP website and was included with the agenda packet.

- Wichita City Council Member Pete Meitzner provided an update on AMTRAK and the recently submitted TIGER grant application. The presentation can be accessed on the REAP website.
- Panel Discussion:
  - John Schlegel, Director, WAMPO, gave an overview of the work of the South Central Kansas Prosperity Plan Transportation Work Team



- Dennis Slimmer, Chief of Transportation Planning, KDOT, presented on KDOT strategies on transportation infrastructure and how it supports regional and state economic growth.
- Joshua Powers, State Public Transit Manager, KDOT, presented on KDOT's transit Business Model Implementation. The presentations presented by the panel can be accessed on the REAP website.

#### 4. **Unscheduled Topics**

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Friday, July 11, 2014. A networking breakfast will precede the meeting at 8:00 a.m.

#### 5. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at noon.

#### **Board Members and Alternates**

Commissioner Dave Unruh, Sedgwick County, Chair	Kathy Sexton, Derby
Mayor Dion Avello, Derby	Mayor Terry Somers, Mount Hope
Kent Brown, Clearwater	Cody Sims, Wellington
Bob Conger, Kechi	Mayor Roger Stallbaumer, Wellington
Kent Hixson, Mulvane	Sasha Stiles, Andover
Council Member Jeff Longwell, Wichita	Commissioner Chip Westfall, Harvey County
Council Member Pete Meitzner, Wichita	John Waltner, Harvey County
Rick Rekoske, Bel Aire	Mayor Kristey Williams, Augusta
Mayor Rex Satterthwaite, Bentley	

#### **Guests/Presenters/Staff**

Kelly Bergeron, REAP	Rebecca Likiardopolous, Derby
Misty Bruckner, WSU	Joshua Powers, KDOT, Presenter
Angela Buzard, WSU	Harland Priddle, K- 96 Corridor Association
Paula Downs, WSU	Sandy Ring, SCKEDD
James Kilpatrick, Kansas for Liberty	Dennis Slimmer, KDOT, Presenter
Keith Lawing, REAP	John Schlegel, WAMPO, Presenter