1. Welcome/Introduction (3 min, McDonald)

Mark McHenry, Missouri Co-Chair called the meeting to order and requested introductions from everyone. The sign-sheet that being circulated.

   a) Copies of the updated BPAC list were distributed. Aaron Bartlett welcomed everyone and announced nine (9) new appointments to BPAC.

2. Draft: January BPAC Summary* (2 min, Bartlett)

The summary notes were approved unanimously with no revisions.

3. Presentation: Development process - Regional Transportation Plan 2050 (10 min, Clawson)

Addressed the work behind the RTP 2050. All of the transportation committees are being updated. She addressed agenda items.

What is the RTP? This is document to set a regional vision. We have policy and strategies to implement this vision with a constrained list of regional projects

Policy Framework - She addressed vibrant connected, and green related categories of work that we do. This will part of the update process.
**Future Driving Forces** - Tech, climate, economy, and demographics are all important considerations that affect our future and what this will bring to our transportation system of tomorrow.

We have a regional vision that we proposing. The new plan needs to be adaptable as we look at future scenarios. We want to incorporate recent planning work like *Smartmoves 3.0*. We need to consider future funding and revenue sources. This all has be in an integrated approach.

Karen addressed the timeline and current tasks. We are discussing this with our planning committees. The first task is to address discovery and needs assessment, storytelling and policy framework, investment Scenarios, Project Selection will be next phase moving to plan development and plan adoption in the spring of 2020.

We have conducted 13 Pop up meetings to engage the public in person. This helped to raise awareness. Locations were throughout the region. People want more bike lanes and better transit service.

FaceBook Live is a powerful tool to get public input through laptop or smartphone connections. MARC conducted a survey to gain feedback focused on the goals that are most important to people. We wanted to know more about public perceptions related to regional goals and their impression of issues. More than 800 surveys were completed. Karen provided a ranking of topics. “Transportation Choice” was the number one topic. Most people feel that we are excelling in transportation choices. We asked open-ended questions. 800 plus comments were gathered into themes. Sustainable growth and development was very important. “Placemakeing” ranked last. We think that “Placemaking” is not well understood by the public. There is support but it does not translate well to what it means.

There are 50 pages of comments can be found at [www.marc.org/2050](http://www.marc.org/2050). A word cloud was created that uses a lot of terms related to public transit in a positive sense that we need more.

Next steps will help us address our needs assessment and policy framework. In April, we will come back to TTPC. and the MARC Board to provide updates. She bullet pointed the next steps.

**Discussion:**
The group discussed demographics. The survey respondents were about 60% male 40% female. We
came close to the regional make up and geographic makeup. We increased efforts where response was low to get input to represent the region. We also looked at household income and worked to make sure that we had a good representative of the population.

Are you interested or able to take this to places Wyandotte Co. We have several events that will bring a broad representation of the public. We are looking for piggyback events. Please share these ideas with Aaron or I.

4. Discussion: 2018 MARC Call for Projects - Development of BPAC Priorities (10 min, Bartlett)

Aaron Bartlett provided a two-page handout to outline the priorities development process. 

Transportation Outlook 2040 Programming Policy Statement (pdf) outlines the role of MARC Planning Committees. BPAC is responsible for the development of advisory project priorities for active transportation focused projects. The recommendations aid the MARC Programming Committees and the Total Transportation Policy Committee during the programming decision-making process. To further enhance our role we focus on projects that fall at the margin where funding is less certain. The term “bubble” is used to describe projects that fall into this group of projects. Projects outside the “bubble” either rank too high or low to benefit from further consideration. Preliminary project scores to establish a general rank order.

In late May, information will be shared to BPAC members. BPAC will meet on June 13 and if needed June 14 to complete this work.

The product of this work is a BPAC project priorities list that is then shared with the MARC Programming Committees and later TTPC.

- Active Transportation Project Advisory Priorities
- Missouri STP Priorities Committee
- Kansas STP Priorities Committee

Mr. Bartlett completed his review of the handout and opened the floor to comments and questions.

Discussion:
The summary was sufficient and there was no further discussion.
5. Discussion: 2018 May Bike Month (10 min, Bartlett)

We began gearing up for Bike Month in February. We have developed a paid media plan to promote awareness of Bike Month. We need your help spreading the word that event organizers should register their event at KCBikeMonth.com. Mr. Bartlett briefly covered paid media efforts, key events and the 2018 regional bikeway and trails map.

Discussion:

No discussion

6. Presentation: Draft - Conceptual strategy for development of the Santa Fe, Oregon, and California national historic trails (20 min, Vireo)

Steve Rhoades provided a project overview and timeline. The draft document is two-hundred and sixteen (216) pages. It provides detailed cross-sections and design. He shared a map of the routes that cross the region both the historical and the retracement. He pointed out the color coded proposed trail alignments with page number references. The document provides logo standards for banners, ground markers, and vertical signs. We are trying to move away from vertical signs. Communities have the ability to decide the sign standard that is right for them.

We also cover interpretive media, apps, and crosswalk treatments. He provided two examples Kansas City, Missouri along the Blue Ridge Blvd and Leawood and Overland Park section along the Tomahawk Creek Greenway. While historic routes followed the ridgelines, we have wonderful stream corridors that are close by and will give an auto free experience closer to the historic experience.

We met as recently as last week with stakeholders to review the draft plan.

Discussion:

- Brian Shields asked about the auto tour signs. Will this be rolled up in this plan? This was done in advance so we are not proposing more. Is there a digital copy? Yes, the digital copy is available in the meeting materials.
- Was there any concern about increased traffic from tourist? No, this was not an expressed concern. Every community is looking at each section and looking for ways to improve the experience of cyclist and pedestrians.
- Was the bridge at Bannister was part of this plan? Yes, we are working on a peace that goes back to the west. Cerner will also provide connections from their campus.
• As segments are completed, how do the pieces come together for the user? What about McCoy Park near the Truman Library? There will be gaps as the system is built. We will provide maps of the routes to navigate.

• MARC will come with a resolution of support for communities. Martin Rivarola indicated that MARC will take this to TTPC and we intend to adopt this as part of MetroGreen. This improves funding opportunities. At the local level, we want to have a shorter document that can be used by communities to share with elected officials and community civic groups.

• Is Ann O’Hair going to use this as presentation opportunity? She has been involved in the planning process.

• Martin asked if there is any need to get this into area local plans? Trails KC, BikeKC and the OP comprehensive plan were mentioned as updated plans.

7. Discussion: Opportunities regarding regional wayfinding plan (10 min, Bartlett)
Aaron Bartlett provided an oral report. Several communities have been contacted in the past few weeks to discuss the regional wayfinding initiative. MARC is working to form a coalition of Local Governments and transportation partners to explore the development of a broad partnership. Work would begin this year to peruse funding opportunities and to leverage funding from multiple sources to develop a multimodal regional wayfinding plan. MARC is working towards a meeting of partners in early April. PSP funding may be pursued depending on the outcome of early meetings. A call for PSP projects will go out in May and end in June. Partners will be asked to share in the cost of the plan by contributing funds in 2019.

Discussion:
How much do you anticipate requesting? We will look a building a broad coalition of local governments and transportation organizations to reduce the burden. We have looked at comparable planning efforts to gauge a range of budget needs. We believe that the plan should have both local and regional content guidance.

8. Local Round Table Reports (15 min)
   a) Brain Shields with Overland Park said that OP is meeting with FEMA to peruse funds to repair the trail damage by the flood.
   b) Noel Challis with the City of Riverside reported that they were in the process of updating E.H. Young Riverfront Park. Please take a few minutes to give your input here: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EHYOUNGPARK](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EHYOUNGPARK). If you have children, youth, grandkids, etc. We encourage them to participate as well!
c) Nichole Brown with the Jo. Co. Health & Environment Department announced that they were working to promote Bike to School Day. Please pass along any ideas.

d) Councilperson Claudia McCormack of Roeland Park announced that the City has recently finished a new shared use path inside Nall Park.

e) John Hornbeck of 20/20/20 announced National Trails Day will fall on June 2. This year the community is hosting a Levey Trail Festival on the Armadale Levee Trail. Phase 2 complete with resurface of phase 1 and 2 close to trail head and new bridge.

f) Michael Park of Lee’s Summit reported on the Rock Island groundbreaking ceremony. Bike racks at 18 location in down town Lee’s Summit. BikeWalkKC help to get this planned.

g) Eric Rodgers of BikeWalkKC is doing an RFI on “dockless” bike vendors. What at the options that are available and will share with all of the jurisdictions. The City of Kansas City will be drafting regulations for dockless bikes.

h) Mike McDonald West star substation in in town 2025 or 26. Need sidewalks to build. Will be on the whole thing.

i) Martin R also announced that he has presented on the Beyond the Loop. Wed 4 30 6:30 North Kc I works at the same time. The study is ending. Public meeting will be held next week.

j) Beth Dawson mentioned that the call will PSP will May 1 and applications will be due by 4 pm on June 22. The total available in Kansas $355,000 and in Missouri $600,000. There is a local match of 20 percent and maximum request of $150,000.

The meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be held on May 9, 2018 at 1:30 pm.