Meeting Summary
Rose Simone, Missouri Co-Chair
*Tenille Kimberlin, Kansas Co-Chair

Leadership Team
July 29, 2020 | 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
Zoom

AGENDA

1. Welcome

Tenille Kimberlin, co-chair, opened the meeting and welcomed everyone

Attendees:

Aaron Bartlett
Alex Rotenberry
Bill Lowe
Bob Hamilton
Brad Winfrey
Caitlin Zibers
Carla Anderson
Chris Hess
David Church
David Johnson
David LaRoche
Deana Dothage
Drew Pearson
Jason Petersen
Jeff Bragg

Jen Jordan
Jenny Lancaster
John Miller
Karen Miller
Kathleen Li
Kathy Zents
Mickie Keeling
Kenneth Keating
Kevin Rowald
Lisa Hecker
Mark Fisher
Matthew McMichael
Max Konon
Melissa Black
Michael Flory

Nordia Epps
Paul Bushore
Phyllis Larimore
Ray Shank
Ron Achelpohl
Ryan Sharp
Scott Wilson
Grant Ruark
Susan Cohen
Tamara Pitts
Tenille Kimberlin
Tia Bigus
Tiffany Bowman
Tory Anderson

2. Vote: May Minutes Approval

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Tenille asked for a motion to approve the May minutes, moved by Bob Hamilton, Tamara Pitts seconded, motion passed unanimously.

3. Vote: Leadership Team Membership
   a. Karen Wittman, Wyandotte County District Attorney’s Office
      Not present
   b. Adam Timmerman, Kansas City Chamber of Commerce
      Provided a brief introduction
Tenille asked for a motion to approve the two leadership team memberships, Tamara Pitts moved, seconded by Jason Petersen, motion passed unanimously.

4. MoDOT Funding Updates
Missouri funding for the first half of the grant period has been reduced. All grantees have been notified and accepted new funding amounts. Tamara Pitts is currently writing the contracts for the Missouri grantees and expects to have those completed soon.

5. Destination Safe Call for Projects
   a. Survey
Amanda Horner conducted an informal survey during to the meeting, the purpose of which is to expand participation of the Destination Safe Call for Projects. Attendees were asked if they had ever applied for a Destination Safe grant, if not why, and what would make them more likely to participant in the future. For questions 1, 67% of attendees said they have never applied for a grant. For questions 2, 6 respondents said they were not eligible and 1 said they had enough funding. And for question 3, 3 respondents said they would apply again and 1 said a “really cool portal” would make them more like to participate in the future.

6. Suballocated Funding Programs – Preapplication Assessments, Caitlin Zibers
Caitlin Zibers, MARC, provided a presentation regarding grant applications for suballocated funding. Caitline explained MARC is elevating role of planning and policy committees, including Destination Safe. The first

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round of reviewing projects is complete, and the outcome included giving applicants feedback of their applications. Projects were categorized into levels of evaluation – highly aligned, aligned, not aligned, incomplete. Of the 103 projects, 41 of which were considered incomplete. Caitlin explained that Destination Safe was asked to review the projects which listed a safety measure in their application. Drew Pearson asked about using the data to leverage more funding, specifically the fact that the requests for funding far exceeds the amount available. Ron Achelpohl that the statistics are cited in conversations with state or federal delegations when discussing the need for transportation funding in the Kansas City area.

7. Legislative Platform

Tenille explained to attendees that each year the Destination Safe Coalition provides recommendations for the legislative positions which are included in MARC’s legislative agendas. Listed in the agenda are the 2020 positions for Kansas and Missouri. Tenille asked attendees of legislative priorities they are aware of.

a. 2020 Transportation Safety Platforms

i. Kansas: Safety is a growing concern among transportation professionals, law enforcement and others. The legislature is urged to address a number of safety issues in 2020, including: retain the current 75 mph speed limit (not increasing it); amend current law to include liability protection for Child Passenger Safety Technicians and their agencies; support helmets for children under 18 years of age using ATVs; and encourage attentive driving.

ii. Missouri: There is increasing support to address the use of wireless devices by drivers. Other safety issues: support a primary seat belt law; maintain current law requiring helmet use for motorcycles; and strengthen protections for transit operators from workplace violence. Recommendation: Support legislation that will restrict use of wireless phones to hands-free technology and broaden restriction on texting while driving to apply to drivers of all ages. Consider support for other safety measures around motorcycle helmet use, primary seat belt law and safety for transit operators.

Tenille Kimberlin mentioned that there is a legislative committee that is working on an improved distracted driving bill in Kansas that will cover more than texting, which she has a draft of for us to reference when the

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priorities are updated. Also, the helmet law in Missouri was recently repealed.

Ron Achelpohl explained that the purpose of the discussion this meeting is to introduce discussion but the September meeting will have more decision-making.

Jen Jordan-Spence asked why the Kansas ATV legislation used the word “encourage” rather than stronger language, Ron Achelpohl was unsure but agreed stronger language could be used in the future.

Amanda Horner added that Missouri has a hands-free coalition working on improving their distracted driving laws.

Deana Dothage mentioned Hands-Free Missouri, is working on updating Missouri law from the banning cellphone use for 21 and under to all ages. Think First Missouri is committed to promoting helmet use regardless of law.

Ron Achelpohl added that work identifying freight technology needs, may lead to technology legislation recommendations

Ray Shank agreed they will need to revisit strategy regarding helmets. Will look for input from others for what the primary focus will be in Missouri, such as hands free and primary seat belt. Missouri is adding a new focus, rear facing car seats, possibly based on age. Ray will provide more information for the next meeting.

Amanda encouraged all attendees to share Sept. meeting information with anyone who could provide information regarding legislative updates. Or send their contact information to Amanda to gather information.

Tenille: AAA Kansas is the lead for Kansas hands free priority

Tenille asked if autonomous vehicle policy legislation would be included in the freight technology recommendations. Ron responded that AV is encouraged in other areas of legislative platform beyond safety but is aware that KDOT has worked on in and we will certainly pay attention to progress.

8. Social Media
   a. Kansas and Missouri contacts to promote traffic safety messaging
   b. FOLLOW!
      i. Destination Safe Coalition
      ii. Drive Safe Kansas
      iii. MoDOT Kansas City

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Kansas and Missouri appreciate anyone who can like, share, or comment on their posts because it increases the reach of their messaging. Amanda Horner will share links to group.

9. Round Table Updates

**Deana Dothage:**

- Presentations Missouri Safety Center in August, will send to Amanda to ask DS to share with colleagues, KC zoom presentation coming up

**Lisa Hecker:**

- Traffic safety unit still working from home- leave VM or email
- Chris Bortz asked Lisa to share that statewide fatalities up 2%

**Susan Coen:**

- Received grant to use graphic designer to design guide

**Tamara Pitts:**

- Sept. meeting required to give summary of FY 2020 grants
- Grant contracts to be emailed soon

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