MEETING MINUTES
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
OHIO-KENTUCKY-INDIANA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
JANUARY 12, 2017 – 10:30 A.M.
OKI BOARD ROOM

- Call to Order

President Lynch, noting that there was a quorum, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. with the following members in attendance:

MEMBERS

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Kevin J. Lynch/T.C. Rogers
President

Mark R. Polcinikni
CEO/Executive Director

Serving the Counties of Boone, Butler, Campbell, Clermont, Dearborn, Hamilton, Kenton, Warren
Members (continued)

Mr. Karl B. Schultz, Miami Township  X  X
Ms. Christine Matacis, Butler County Association of Township Trustees & Clerks  X  X
Mr. Tom Peck, Clermont County Township Association
Mr. Jonathan D. Sams, Warren County Association of Township Trustees & Clerks  X  X
Mr. Brian D. Painter, Campbell County Fiscal Court  X  X
Mr. Greg Breetz, Boone County Planning Commission  X  X
Mr. Taylor Corbett, Clermont County Planning Commission  X  X
Mr. Mark McCormack, Dearborn County Plan Commission  X  X
Mr. David Okum, Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission  X  X
Mr. Marc Hult, Kenton County Planning Commission  X  X
Mr. Dennis Andrew Gordon, PDS of Kenton County  X  X
Mr. Greg Kathman, Fairfield (City) Planning Commission
Mr. Ashley Combs, Middletown (City) Planning Commission  X  X
Mr. Craig Beckley, Dearborn County Township Association, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Ken Bogard, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Bill Brayshaw, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. David Ginsburg, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Trey Grayson, Northern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Ralph B. Grieme, Jr., Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Eric Kearney, Gr. Cinti. & No. KY African American Chamber, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Roger Kerlin, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Larry H. Maxey, Resident Member  X  X
Ms. Pamela Mullins, Resident Member  X  X
Mr. Kenneth F. Reed, Resident Member, Treasurer  X  X
Mr. V. Anthony Simms-Howell, Ohio Commission, Resident Member  X  X
Ms. Laura Brunner, Fort of Greater Cincinnati  X  X
Mr. Ted Hubbard, Hamilton County Engineer  X  X
Mr. Todd Listerman, Dearborn County Engineer  X  X
Ms. Candace McGraw, Kenton County Airport Board  X  X
Mr. Neil Tunison, Warren County Engineer  X  X
Mr. Jim Ude, Indiana Department of Transportation  X  X
Ms. Tammy Campbell, Ohio Department of Transportation  X  X
Mr. Dwight Ferrell, Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority  X  X
Mr. Andrew Aiello, Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky  X  X

GUESTS

Ms. Victoria Parks, representing Todd Fortune, Hamilton County Board of Commissioners
Mr. Michael Moore, representing David Mann, Cincinnati, Ohio
Ms. Dora Bronston, representing Larry Mulligan, Middletown, Ohio
Mr. Greg Tulley, representing Ms. Beth Fennell, Newport, Kentucky
Mr. Geoff Milz, representing Jeff Ritter, Colerain Township
Mr. Cory Wright, representing Matthew Beamer, Union Township
Ms. Cindy Minter, representing Michael Williams, Campbell County Planning & Zoning Comm.
Mr. Zachary Moore, representing Stan Williams, Warren County Regional Planning Comm.
Guests (continued)
Mr. Peter Metz, representing Jill Meyer, Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber
Ms. Gena Bell, representing Chris Monzel, Hamilton County Board of Commissioners
Ms. Stacee Hans, representing Robert Yeager, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet
Ms. Joey Lynch, City of Greendale
Mr. Jeff Lykins, Lykins Energy
Ms. Ginny Rogers
Mr. Jason Rogers
Ms. Allison Marcia, Clermont County
Mr. Steve McDevitt, Burgess & Niple
Mr. Jay Hamilton, Mead & Hunt
Ms. Corrin Gulick, WSP
Mr. Stefan Spinosa, ODOT
Ms. Nancy Atkinson, City of Edgewood
Mr. Jeff Wallace, TranSystems
Ms. Megan Hube, DSD
Mr. Joe Vogel, FTCH
Mr. Jayson Gardner, D.R. Colan
Mr. Dave Wormald, AECOM
Ms. Ionna Paraskevopoulos, City of Cincinnati
Mr. Eric Fletcher, Butler County
Ms. Nora Butler, Butler County
Mr. Charles Young, Butler County
Ms. Erica Cooper, Butler County
Mr. Eugene Strong
Ms. Betty Hull, Rasor Communications

LEGAL COUNSEL

Mr. Edward Diller, Taft, Stettinius & Hollister

STAFF

Mr. Mark R. Policinski  Mr. Robert W. Koehler  Ms. Marilyn F. Osborne
Ms. Karen Whitaker  Ms. Purcy Nance  Ms. Lorrie Platt
Mr. Brad Mason  Mr. Travis Miller  Mr. Andy Reser
Mr. David Shuey  Ms. Florence Parker  Ms. Robyn Bancroft
Ms. Summer Jones  Ms. Regina Fields  Ms. Alex Barnes
Ms. Ashley Patrick

Ms. Joey Lynch led the Board of Directors in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Announcements

President Lynch reminded everyone to sign in for attendance purposes. He also reminded everyone that this is a Board of Directors meeting and that Executive Committee Alternates are not able to vote.
ITEM #1:  ADMINISTRATIVE

A.  President's Report

President Lynch welcomed everyone to the meeting. He expressed his excitement to begin another year of progress in the region. He stated that there are a number of new members in attendance who will be joining the Board following the election later in the meeting. He invited the new, as well as returning members, to a Board Orientation which will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m., prior to the February 9 Executive Committee meeting. An invitation will be sent out and he encouraged everyone to attend as their schedule permits.

President Lynch stated that this is the first meeting of the New Year and his last meeting as the OKI Board President. He offered the following outgoing comments as President:

I am truly honored to have served as your President. Two years goes by very fast.

However, over the past two years, I have gained great respect and appreciation for our staff. Anymore, it seems that we continually hear of their awards and accolades. It appears as if they set the benchmarks for other MPOs and COGs across the country. To show you how crazy it’s become, we now have staff leaving other MPOs to join OKI. Our staff is the best and they deserve our recognition.

Someone once told me that everything comes down to leadership. You, the Board of OKI, are the best of the best and I am humbled to stand here before you. Not only do you have passion for your communities and our region. But most of you also serve on other boards and organizations, serving the greater good. A large number of you serve on statewide boards and commissions and some even serve organizations at the national level. All of this reflects back on OKI and our region in a most positive way.

Because of you, I believe that the leadership at OKI will continue to be strong for many, many years to come.

And, this is why I am so proud of what we have achieved together and what we will continue to accomplish together and why I am so proud to call you my friends.

B.  Approval of November 10, 2016 Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting

President Lynch called for corrections and/or additions to the November 10, 2016 minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting. There being none, Ms. Matacin moved that the minutes be approved as mailed. Mr. Reed seconded the motion; motion carried.

C.  Executive Director’s Report

Mr. Policinski welcomed the Board, including all new and current members. He stated that this year got off to a great start for the region with the announcement that Southwest Airlines will be starting service at CVG. He stated that there has been tremendous growth at CVG under the
leadership of Judge Knochelmann and Candace McGraw, CVG CEO. He asked Ms. McGraw to say a few words about Southwest coming to CVG. She explained that it was a true collaborative effort and thanked Judge Knochelmann, the Board and Mark Policinski for all of their support to making this happen. She reported that service will begin on June 4. They will have five flights per day to Chicago Midway, three flights a day to Baltimore-Washington airport, both flying seven days a week. Through those cities, travelers will have one stop connections to 71 additional cities and beyond. On average, Southwest’s airfares are about 25% lower that United, American and Delta. They anticipate this community to respond with enthusiasm. She urged everyone to continue to talk to their communities, stakeholders and business partners about utilizing Southwest so they continue to grow. She thanked everyone for their assistance.

Mr. Policinski stated that OKI is elated that Elaine Chao has been nominated for the Secretary of Transportation in the Trump administration. He stated that this is good for the region and Ms. Platt would share more information under her report.

Mr. Policinski stated that, for more than a year, staff has shared with the Board the dramatic impact technology is having on transportation. The prominent example is autonomous vehicles. The technology of transportation is progressing so quickly, OKI needs to be fully involved in monitoring and implementing changes in how OKI performs its planning function. He stated that in just the past year we have seen autonomous vehicles and connected vehicles move into mainstream discussion of transportation. Mr. Policinski reported that when he was speaking in Philadelphia last month for a FHWA conference, the Policy Director of the Pennsylvania DOT laid out how it, combined with the state DOTs from Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin are collaborating on how to integrate not just policies, but investments into super-regional efforts to use this technology for the benefit of all. The private sector is demonstrably investing in this technology and artificial intelligence. He stated that almost every major car company has purchased an autonomous vehicle technology company. Uber is conducting its 100 autonomous vehicle experiment in Pittsburgh and Google is building an autonomous vehicle. Mr. Policinski stated that it is not known when autonomous vehicles will become commonplace in the market but that day is closer than we thought just a few years ago. For this technology to become commonplace, it needs demand for it, thereby creating a market. NVIDIA supplies the super computer to Tesla, which allows it to be fully autonomous. The CEO said that its partnership with Tesla has moved to the intersection of technology and the market demand forward by five years. He said anyone talking about autonomous capabilities in 2021 or even 2020 is re-evaluating in a very significant way. NVIDIA thinks the breakthrough occurs in 2017.

Mr. Policinski stated that a goal of those involved in autonomy technology is safety, the belief being that autonomous and connected vehicles will be much safer than cars driven by humans. So, safety is another factor that is pushing this technology. He pointed out that deaths due to car accidents is rising after declining for decades. Last year, 35,000 people died in car accidents. If this technology can achieve its goal of zero car fatalities, we will save 35,000 people every year.

Mr. Policinski explained that there are many unresolved issues regarding this technology and how it will enter the market place. The real issue for OKI is how to build this and other technologies, such as solar and battery storage, into the transportation planning process. In order to do this,
OKI is making changes in the staff to delve deeper into finding the answer. Mr. Policinski reported that he has created the position of Strategic Initiative Manager and he has asked Robyn Bancroft to assume those duties. He explained that she will be focused on four key areas, all tied in some way to technology and/or transportation planning: the areas are transit, economic development, freight and technology. He explained that Ms. Bancroft will be the lead but will rely on the expertise and guidance of several staff members including himself, Bob Koehler, David Shuey and others. Mr. Policinski stated that it is an important time to be in transportation and it is an important time to be on the OKI Board as these issues are discussed.

Mr. Policinski reported that every year the staff votes on the Employee of the Year and this year’s recipient is Travis Miller, OKI’s Regional Planning Manager.

Mr. Policinski reported that this is the last OKI meeting presided by Kevin Lynch. He stated that OKI has been fortunate to have been led by incredible presidents and Kevin has continued that extraordinary lineage. He has always led the Board, no matter how trying the times, and has been the agency’s best representative. Mr. Policinski stated that he has directed and supported staff in such a way that staff was happy to work with him. He told President Lynch that as he looks around the room, he will see judges, commissioners, mayors, trustees, and a lot of other important people, but he will also see a room full of friends who are proud to know him and call him a friend. He presented President Lynch with gifts in appreciation of his leadership. President Lynch expressed his thanks to Mark Policinski and the Board and stated that he was humbled to be in the company of so many great members and representatives of our communities and of our region.

D. Legislative Update

Ms. Platt, staff, reported that President-elect Trump’s nomination for Secretary for Transportation, Elaine Chao, had her nomination hearing yesterday in front of the Senate Commerce Committee. She was warmly received and praised for her former work at the DOT as its Deputy Secretary of Transportation from 1989 to 1991 and as Secretary of Labor under for George W. Bush. Ms. Platt reported that her previous history regarding financing of transportation shows she wants to allow states to raise funding and that she also favors more private sector involvement in funding infrastructure.

Ms. Platt reported that President-elect Trump’s campaign promise of a 10 year, $1 trillion infrastructure funding program is on the back burner due to other priorities, such as healthcare reform and tax reform. She explained that staffers have said that tax reform needs to happen first. It is unsure whether tax reform will take 6 months or 16 months, as much of the infrastructure dollars in his plan relied on funding derived from tax reforms, innovative financing plans, such as P3s and perhaps an infrastructure bank. Until tax reform takes place, it is not expected that much will happen regarding infrastructure funding outside of the FAST Act.

Ms. Platt reported that she will be traveling to D.C. in mid-February with OKI board officers and Mark Policinski to meet with our elected officials.
E. **Finance Officer's Report**

Ms. Purcy Nance, staff, reported that the Finance Officer’s Report was distributed around the table. She explained that this report contains both October and November financial statements and she would be reporting on the more current November information.

Ms. Nance referred members to page 2 for the current information. As of January 6, OKI had $183,077 in the PNC checking account, $21,558 in the HSA/FSA checking account and $452,473 in the STAR Ohio money market mutual fund. Ms. Nance reported that there has been no recent activity on OKI’s line of credit and there is no outstanding balance at report date.

Ms. Nance stated that page 3 contains the balance sheet as of November 30. She reported that Cash and Investments are down 4% from this time last year. Receivables are down 9% from this time last year. Ms. Nance reported that at November 30, there were $778,000 in receivables, $665,000 associated with October and November invoices and $113,000 outstanding from September and earlier. She further stated that payables are down 78% or $192,000 from this time last year due to completion of traffic data collection projects.

Ms. Nance stated that Revenue information is located on page 4. She reported that at November 30, OKI was approximately 42% of the way through the budgeted year. Overall, revenues are at 38%, which is on budget. She noted the following items: Federal revenues are behind budget due to the Forestry project being behind budget due to the timing of project activities; State revenues are behind budget due to Kentucky revenues being behind budget related to the timing of the Boone County study which is beginning this month; offset by Indiana revenues which are ahead of budget due to the timing of the Bright 74 study which concluded last month; Local revenues are ahead of budget due to the timing of county funding payments; Miscellaneous revenues are ahead of budget due to the timing of OKI’s annual meeting; and Contributed Services are behind budget due to timing of FTA and US Forestry projects and the seasonal nature of the Clean Air outreach campaign.

Ms. Nance stated that page 5 contains Expense information. She reported that overall, expenses are at 36%, which is under budget.

Ms. Nance noted the following items: Category 3, Travel, Subsistence and Professional Development is behind budget due to the timing of budgeted activities; Category 4, Printing, Marketing and Contractual is behind budget due to the timing of the transportation modeling Establishment Survey, the U.S. Forestry project, FTA pass through projects and other budgeted activities; Category 5, Other Expenditures, is ahead of budget due to the timing of maintenance contracts and timing of OKI’s annual meeting; and Category 6, Contributed Services is behind budget due to the timing of FTA and U.S. Forestry projects and the seasonal nature of RideShare and Clean Air outreach campaigns.

Ms. Nance stated that page 6 contains the General Fund Balance information. She reported that the General Fund Balance has had net increase of approximately $119,000 year to date. The two components of this increase are timing differences and year to date activities. The timing
differences include a $74,000 increase due to timing of county funding payments and $14,000 decrease due to application of negotiated fringe and indirect rates. The remaining $59,000 increase is associated with year-to-date operations and timing of active projects. Resulting in a year to date fund balance of $1,211,000. Of this amount, $348,000 is committed to active projects.

There being no discussion, Mr. Humphrey moved that the Executive Committee accept and file the Finance Officer’s Report dated January 12, 2017. Mr. Rogers seconded the motion; motion carried.

ITEM #2: PRESENTATION BY SORTA

Mr. Dwight Ferrell, CEO of SORTA, provided an overview of the “State of SORTA”. He explained that as part of their recent strategic planning efforts, they updated their mission statement: Regional transportation connecting people and places, driving economic growth and expanding quality of life choices. He reviewed the 2017 operating revenues, totaling $96.1 million, and 2017 operating expenses, totaling $96.1 million.

Mr. Ferrell reviewed the 2016 statistics, which included: 15 million rides per year, 800+ employees, 257 buses, 49 Access paratransit vans, 47 routes, 21 commuter park & rides, 1 in 5 downtown workers commute on Metro and 50% of all Metro trips are work-related.

Mr. Ferrell stated that the SORTA Board of Trustees has had a lot of discussion regarding economic growth. Two members of the SORTA Board—Ken Reed and Karl Schultz—are also members of the OKI Board.

Mr. Ferrell reported that they use technology and innovation to improve services and control costs. He pointed out that the Cincy EZRide app was created with the intent to make it easier for transit riders and has been extended to include use of the streetcar. They currently have 10,000 registered users. SORTA is involving the community in their plans in addition to developing regional partnerships. They stretch each dollar to provide the most service for their customers. According to a U.C. economic study, Metro is the most efficient transit system among its peers.

However, Mr. Ferrell reported that costs are increasing faster than revenue, ridership is declining because their service hasn’t followed the jobs and Metro receives the least amount of state and local funding compared to its peers.

Metro assembled a Futures Task Force composed of 20 business and community leaders. The final report of this effort indicates that the business model is not sustainable and that SORTA needs a permanent sales tax in Hamilton County or beyond and a portion of the City earnings tax should be eliminated. The SORTA Board’s directive is to take all appropriate steps to explore placing a ballot issue before Hamilton County voters in 2017. Mr. Ferrell stressed that a decision about a tax has not yet been made.
Mr. Ferrell reported that Phase II of AECOM’s comprehensive study update will be introduced to the SORTA Board next week. He also reported that they will continue community outreach including more community meetings, meetings with elected officials and CEOs to discuss the State of Metro. He encouraged members to let them know what they think and to get involved.

Mr. Beckley discussed the need to connect public transit with those in Southeast Indiana. Mr. Ferrell pointed out that it’s a financial issue to connect service with that in Indiana. Mr. Lynch pointed out that Dearborn County has had discussion with TANK as well. They see the need and the advantages, but there are a lot of challenges to overcome.

Mr. O’Reilly raised the issue of the need for access to transportation for second shift employees. Mr. Ferrell pointed out that this is part of their challenge and it all comes back to funding. Transit can improve lives on all levels of the socio economic levels if they can provide these connections.

Mr. Policinski commented that the State of Ohio has increased the amount of funding that it gives transit by approximately 99%, however he asked if there was any chance of that amount increasing because it is still nominal to fulfilling the funding need. Mr. Ferrell explained that those transit agencies who decide to tax themselves are the regions that grow, rather than those relying on the state or federal government to allocate dollars. He pointed out that in order to receive a grant from FTA, they have to overmatch.

ITEM #3: BOONE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLAN

Ms. Robyn Bancroft, staff, explained that Boone County is facing huge mobility issues. She reported that it is the fastest growing county in the OKI region in both population and employment. This is a trend that is forecasted to continue to 2040 and it is critical that the Plan identify projects that optimize the existing system and improve mobility in Boone County. Ms. Bancroft explained that the county is also in the process of updating its Comprehensive Plan and this transportation plan will work hand in hand with all county planning efforts. She explained that this plan will be OKI’s first SMART Transportation Plan meaning it will use data, applications and technology to help people and goods move safer, faster, cheaper and more efficiently.

Ms. Bancroft explained that while Boone County will reap the direct benefits, OKI’s plan is to learn and share knowledge and resources for the enhancement of safety and economic prosperity for the entire OKI region. Another critical issue that the Plan will address is the challenges and opportunities specifically associated with freight, logistics and employee access to job centers across the county. The end result is to produce a fiscally-constrained transportation plan that aligns dollars with decisions to address Boone County’s transportation needs as soon as possible. She explained that technology and innovation will also be applied to the public involvement process to gather public input and build community consensus for implementation of the Plan’s ultimate recommendations.

Ms. Bancroft reported that a selection committee completed a competitive selection process to select a consultant team to assist OKI staff in the conduct of the Boone County Transportation
Plan. The selection committee recommends WSP | Parsons Brinckerhoff as the preferred consultant.

Mr. Peterman stated that autonomous vehicles will change everything and, according to information from the Detroit Auto Show, people won’t own vehicles any more. He questioned whether we should try to guess more about driverless transportation, including transit and commercial. He stated that this seems to be a missing element. Ms. Bancroft responded that those questions are what will be addressed as part of this plan. She explained that the infrastructure in regard to the use of AV technology will be in transitionary time and it is the hope that this plan will see the stage across the region as to how we will prepare for the future. The infrastructure, policies and governance need to be in place in order to adapt. Judge Moore added that in today’s world, transportation dollars are not sufficient to take care of all of the needs. If we can work smarter through proper planning and implementation of technology, improvements to transportation infrastructure can be done cheaper and more efficiently and with less impact to property owners. He explained that all the consultant teams that responded to the request for this study were asked to describe how they can use technology to pair with what’s coming down the pike rather than just be building bigger lanes and bigger interchanges. He stressed that this is a huge part of the plan.

Mr. Humphrey moved that the Board of Directors approve Resolution 2017-01 authorizing the Executive Director to execute a contract with the selected consultant in an amount not to exceed $300,000. Mr. Reinersman seconded the motion; motion carried.

ITEM #4: INTERMODAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Andy Reser, staff, reported that the ICC met on Tuesday, January 10, 2017. The committee heard a presentation from Thomas Arnold of ODOT regarding their Highway Safety Program and Safe Routes to School Program. They also heard the presentation from Robyn Bancroft regarding the Boone County Transportation Study. The Committee approved TIP Administrative Modification #13 which included minor revisions to five highway projects and one transit project.

Mr. Reser reported that the ICC recommends approval of two resolutions—2017-01 which authorizes OKI to enter into a contract with WSP | Parsons Brinckerhoff for the Boone County Transportation Plan and 2017-02, Amendment #13 of the FY 2016-2019 TIP.

A. ICC Attendance Sheets

Mr. Reser reported that per a request from the Board of Directors, included in the mailout packet were attendance sheets of the Intermodal Coordinating Committee for 2016.

B. Amendment #13 of the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Reser reported that the amendment reflected in the resolution lists one highway project in Ohio, one project in Kentucky, two highway projects and one planning project in Indiana and one transit project for the Warren County Transit Service.
Judge Moore moved that the Board of Directors approve Resolution 2017-02 regarding Amendment #13 of the FY 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program. Mr. Beckley seconded the motion; motion carried.

ITEM #5: CONSENT AGENDA

President Lynch stated that each month a written report of committee activities is mailed to the Board of Directors. This mailing included the November and December Consent Agenda Items.

Mr. Humphrey moved that the Board of Directors approve the consent agenda as mailed. Ms. Matacic seconded the motion; motion carried.

There were no committee announcements and/or updates.

ITEM #6: ELECTION OF 2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mr. Karl Schultz, Nominating Committee Chair, reminded everyone that the elections and appointments will take effect at the end of the meeting. He also reminded them that the Board is made up of Directors appointed by other groups and entities, and Directors elected by the Board.

Mr. Schultz reported that the Nominating Committee, which includes members Judge Kris Knoelchelmann and Roger Kerlin, met on December 8, 2016 to talk through the candidates and positions. He explained that they reviewed applicable sections of the Articles of Agreement and By-laws, nominations and applications, and attendance and past activity. Mr. Schultz stated that the Nominating Committee comes to the Board today with a unanimous recommendation.

Mr. Schultz reviewed the current officers of OKI:

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Mr. Schultz proceeded with the appointments and election of the 2017 Board of Directors.

Appointment from Local Jurisdictions

Mr. Schultz stated that first he would present the appointments to the OKI Board. He explained that the Articles of Agreement of OKI call for certain units of local government to appoint their representatives to the OKI Board of Directors.
**Various Governmental Units or Associations of Township Trustees or Clerks**

Mr. Schultz stated that the individuals who have been appointed to the OKI Board of Directors by various governmental units or by Associations of Township Trustees or Clerks were listed on pages 1 through 9 of the Nominating Committee Report. Those individuals who have been appointed to the OKI Board of Directors were declared to be members of the OKI Board of Directors.

**Representatives of Certain Planning Agencies – County, Regional and City (with population of more than 40,000), County and Regional Planning Commissions**

Mr. Schultz stated that there are vacancies reserved for representatives of certain planning agencies listed under County, Regional and Cities of more than 40,000. These representatives are selected by their respective planning commissions. The individuals who have been appointed to the OKI Board of Directors by those commissions are listed on pages 10 and 11 of the Nominating Committee Report were declared to be members of the OKI Board of Directors.

**Ex-Officio Members**

Mr. Schultz stated that the Articles of Agreement of OKI also call for the appointment of certain voting ex-officio members of the OKI Board. Those members were listed on page 12 of the Nominating Committee Report. Those individuals were declared to be ex-officio members.

**Election of Other Members of the Board of Directors**

Mr. Schultz stated that the Articles call for additional members to be elected by the Board of Directors, he presented those next. He explained that the Articles provide for the election of up to 20 Residents to the Board of Directors. The nominations were listed on page 13 of the Nominating Committee Report. In addition, the Articles provide for the election to the OKI Board of Directors of up to 10 Other Elected Officials and Persons Responsible to elected officials. Those nominations were listed on page 14 of the Nominating Committee Report.

Mr. Bogard moved to place in nomination the names of the individuals proposed by the Nominating Committee found on pages 13 and 14 of the Nominating Committee Report. Mr. Reed seconded the motion; motion carried.

**Election of New Officers**

Mr. Schultz stated that the Articles call for the election of a President, First Vice President, Second Vice President and Treasurer. The Articles also authorize the appointment of other officers, and the Committee is recommending the election of a Past President. The proposed nominees are listed on page 15 of the Nominating Committee Report.

Mr. Kerlin moved to place in nomination the following names of the individuals proposed by the Nominating Committee as found on page 15 of the Nominating Committee Report:
Mr. Bogard seconded the motion; motion carried.

Mr. Schultz stated that the Articles provide that the Executive Director (in this case Mark Policinski) shall be the Secretary of OKI. He stated that with this election, the slate of officers is now complete.

**Organization of the Executive Committee**

Mr. Schultz stated that the officers of OKI (other than the Past President and the Secretary), members of the OKI Board of Directors who are appointed by member counties, members of the OKI Board of Directors who are appointed by townships and municipalities having population of over 40,000 and members of the OKI Board of Directors who are appointed by area or regional planning agencies were declared to be members of the OKI Executive Committee. They were listed on page 16 and 17 of the Nominating Committee Report.

Mr. Schultz stated that the Voting, Ex-Officio members of the OKI Board of Directors were also declared to be Voting, Ex-Officio members of the OKI Executive Committee. They were listed on page 17 of the Nominating Committee Report.

Mr. Schultz stated that the names of the persons nominated for the Executive Committee from cities of less than 40,000 in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana; from townships of less than 40,000 or from member counties or municipalities in Kentucky or Indiana; from Resident Members of the Board of OKI; and at-large members from the Board of Directors of OKI were found on pages 16 and 17:

- **Kentucky Cities Under 40,000**
  - Beth Fennell
- **Ohio Cities Under 40,000**
  - Jim O'Reilly
- **Ohio Townships of Less than 40,000 or Kentucky or Indiana Counties or Municipalities**
  - Christine Matacic
  - Brian Painter
  - Jonathan D. Sams
  - Joe Nienaber
- **Resident Member**
  - Larry Maxey
- **Resident Member**
  - Ken Bogard
- **At-Large Director**
  - Roger Kerlin
- **At-Large Director**
  - Anthony Simms-Howell
- **At-Large Director**
  - Ted Hubbard
Mr. Reed moved to place in nomination the names of the individuals proposed by the Nominating Committee as found on pages 16 and 17 of the Nominating Committee Report. Mr. Kearney seconded the motion; motion carried.

Mr. Schultz stated that the election of the new Board of Directors and Executive Committee was complete. He thanked staff and the members of the Nominating Committee—Judge Knocheleman and Roger Kerlin—for their work in this process.

Mr. Schultz turned the meeting over to OKI Board President T.C. Rogers. President Rogers provided the following words as incoming president:

Who knew! After I was elected to Commissioner just four years ago at our county organization meeting, they asked if I would go to the OKI meetings... and I said okay... and here I am. Now I'm not the first President from Butler County, I know there was Sterling Uhler; Christine Matasic, who started our history leading freight initiatives; and Ken Reed, who's still here! I'm fortunate I can begin this position this week without a confirmation hearing.

This OKI organization, just this year, received awards or recognition from the Harvard Kennedy School for Innovation in American Government, the Transportation Research Board for its conference presentations, and best practices from the Federal Highway Administration as a leader in the Eco-logical Program for Federal Highway Projects, and a reputation for excellence in water quality management. Transportation agencies recognized OKI's outstanding 2015 Conference on Freight, and our own Mark Policinski is a sought-after MPO spokesman. Since I've been here in 2012, OKI has awarded almost $280 million to communities in our eight counties so supportive of regionalism they have done so without one dissenting vote. This Board is financially sound and has built a reputation of trust and professionalism in serving the public. To show the quality of the organization, you just have to look at our staff. Please stand up. So, my number one responsibility as President is Don't Screw This Up!

Joining us today to witness my installation as President, some of whom are still in disbelief, are my wife Ginny, my son Jason, and members from the Butler County Commission office, who cover for me when I'm down here. Please stand.

My first job after graduating from U.C. was as a relocation manager with ODOT-District 8 in Lebanon. I have been a homebuilder and real estate Broker for over 40 years, which gives me insight into where population trends are and where people want to make their homes.

After joining my fellow Commissioners from a business background from the private sector, we took an operating budget that was $24 million light to a $38 million surplus this year and will have taken down a $92 million debt to zero in upcoming 2020. This with around half a billion in new development growth. But experiences from the past can only prepare us for what happens next in our rapidly changing future. So I want to do a good job, and you want me to do a good job, and I pledge not to let you down.
Also, like all of you who take the traffic movement of this region personally, this will be the last day when I’m sitting in a traffic tie up and I feel the drivers are glaring at me and I can roll down my window and say It’s Not Me, it’s Kevin! But seriously, I want to thank my predecessor Kevin Lynch for being an outstanding President, a true friend, and a model of leadership I hope to emulate. So with all of your help—Let’s Make it Happen!

ITEM #7: 2017 BUDGET COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

President Rogers stated that per the OKI By-Laws and Articles of Agreement, Article IV, Budget and Financing, the following individuals will be appointed to serve on the OKI Budget Committee:

Gary W. Moore, Boone County Fiscal Court
T.C. Rogers, Butler County Board of Commissioners
Steve Pendery, Campbell County Fiscal Court
Edwin H. Humphrey, Clermont County Board of Commissioners
Kevin J. Lynch, Dearborn County Board of Commissioners
Todd B. Portune, Hamilton County Board of Commissioners
Kris Knochelmann, Kenton County Fiscal Court
David G. Young, Warren County Board of Commissioners
Kenneth F. Reed, Resident Member, OKI Treasurer

Mr. Reinersman moved that the Board of Directors concur with the President’s appointment of the 2017 OKI Budget Committee Members. Ms. Matacic seconded the motion.

ITEM #8: OTHER BUSINESS

President Rogers reminded members that OKI will host a Board Orientation prior to next month’s Executive Committee meeting which will be held on February 9.

ITEM #9: ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Reed moved that the Board of Directors meeting be adjourned. Ms. Matacic seconded the motion; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at noon.

KEVIN J. LYNCH, 2016 PRESIDENT

T.C. ROGERS, 2012 PRESIDENT

MARK R. POLICINSKI, SECRETARY

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