

Wichita-Sedgwick County Access Advisory Board  
January 25, 2012  
Meeting Minutes  
Envision, 610 N. Main

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**Present Voting Members**

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Sanford Alexander	Kenny Hinkle	Susan Robinson
David Calvert	Steve Hinds	John Sullivan
Brian A. Coon	Grady Landrum	David Waldie
De Eaton	Sandy Martz	Shawn Walters
Rick Eberhard	Lindsey Mahoney	
David Gear	David Moffett	
Jason Gegen	Tiffany Nickel	
Bob Hamilton	Craig Perbeck	

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**Absent**

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Glen Davidson	Lori Lawrence	Marty Rothwell
Ed Koon	Valerhy Powers	Nick Taylor

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**City / County Staff**

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Jay Hinkel – City Legal	Migwi Karugu – City ADA Engineer
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**Guests**

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Deborah Hinkel, Counseling Dept. Chair, West High School

**I. Welcome & Introductions**

The members introduced themselves. David Calvert discussed the developmental disability (DD) town hall meeting. The State plans to stop administering the DD waiver and hand it over to three insurance companies.

**II. Meeting Minutes**

September and November meeting minutes approved unanimously.

**III. Agenda Building**

5(D) River Festival was added by David Calvert.

**IV. Consent Agenda to Receive and File Reports / Committee Updates**

A. Committee reports received

i. The APS, Transportation, and Wichita Transit Advisory Board Committees' Reports were accepted.

ii. It was noted when a Committee believes it is in the best interest of the Committee, that committee can increase its scope appropriately.

iii. Wichita Transit Advisory Board report by Sanford Alexander

(1) Sanford Alexander noted that Wichita Transit had been approached by Greyhound to place the Greyhound station at the Wichita Transit station downtown. This would help anchor both stations.

(2) The Douglas Corridor project is looking to modernize and expand the Douglas corridor from Delano to the railroad at Washington.

(3) Certain pots of money are allocated to operations; other pots are for equipment purchases. This could be a problem in the future on how much money is available for operations at Wichita Transit.

(4) There may be a 40-60% cut in private agency funding.

(5) <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CBBKZ5M> has a survey on Wichita Public Transportation.

B. Committee Updates or Discussion: Wichita Airport by Lindsey Mahoney

i. Wichita Airport design review was initiated by Lori Lawrence and facilitated by Julie Hedrick. Lindsey provided highlights on the meeting. The construction of the airport is being bid out in packages. Tenant spaces, phones, and other items will be bid out separately. The airport design was updated to 2010 ADA standards by the architects.

ii. The service dog area is outside the secure area of the airport. This could be difficult for a traveler. Options are being explored.

iii. Flooring materials are hard surfaces that will lead you to gates; sitting areas will be carpeted.

iv. All counters were at the correct height for the ADA, according to the architect. However, meeting attendees could not verify that.

v. Companion seating was also discussed.

vi. David Calvert noted that carpeting can be difficult—even with ADA-compliant carpet. Sanford Alexander noted that contrast of texture and color are important to a vision-impaired traveler; however, the surface did not have to be carpet.

vii. Stan Breitenbach will be moving from the City Engineer's office to the Airport to help oversee construction.

viii. The Airport Oversight Committee: Lindsey, Brian, Tiffany, Sanford, and Grady.

**V. New Business**

- A. Accessible Parking Volunteer Program – Lt. Nolte & APP volunteer: No discussion, as Lt. Nolte was not in attendance.
- B. Accommodations for Students with Disabilities – Deborah Hinkel
- C. Discuss new ADA Standards for curb ramps – Defer until next meeting due to time.
- D. River Festival: David Gear described that he visited recently with Linda Davidson with Wichita Festivals, and learned that they have prior experience working with the WSCAAB. He approached them to discuss making some parts of the festival more accessible to individuals with vision disabilities. David recommends that this board meet with the River Festival planners to consider all accessibility issues.
  - i. Members provided the following comments:
    - 1. Steve Hinds stated that ILRC has worked with River Festival in the past.
    - 2. David Calvert reported that he and Brian Coon also met with them last year. Some issues discussed previously were service counters too high and cables on the ground without covers over them.
    - 3. River Festival has also worked with the WSCAAB as a whole in the past.
    - 4. Members expressed that they hope that the festival can become proactive with respect to accessibility issues and not just reactive to issues that are brought to the festival's attention.
    - 5. David Calvert reported that it was brought to his attention that the new map just identifies accessible parking with HC and not with the international symbol for accessibility. People may not understand what HC means, but the symbol is readily understandable.
  - (ii) David Gear will invite Wichita Festivals to attend the March board meeting, and this will be added to the agenda.
  - (iii) David Calvert appointed David Gear to lead a subcommittee of members who will meet with Wichita Festivals prior to the March board meeting. David Gear, Brian Coon, Shawn Walters, David Calvert, and Steve Hinds will participate on this committee.

**VI. Old Business**

- A. Publicity: *Our Operating Procedures include: Advise other public or private entities on access issues where it appears the board can make a positive contribution to resolve such problems.*
  - i. Continue brainstorming from last meeting – Defer until next meeting due to time.
    - 1. A question was raised about bus route access. Brian Coon will be asked to report at the next meeting.
  - ii. Education Committee – flyer design. Discussion occurred as noted below:
    - 1. John Sullivan talked with Ron Holt, who oversees the County Communications department. Ron was supportive of having County Communications provide the graphic design and technical assistance developing the brochure. City and County often partner on communications initiatives, so arrangements to share printing costs can be made between agencies, and the WSCAAB would not need to be involved with figuring out cost sharing.

2. John explained that he will lead the Education Committee (as appointed by David Calvert). This committee will work together to develop the brochure with County Communications. Questions for the WSCAAB and Education Committee to determine:
  - a. What is purpose of the brochure?
  - b. Who are we trying to reach?
  - c. Why do we want a brochure, or would other methods better reach the intended audience?
  - d. How will it be distributed?
  - e. Should/could there be an online method for accessing the information?
  - f. What is the content of the brochure? Our operating policies and mission statement may be able to help with content.
3. Members provided the following comments for the Education Committee to consider as they begin this initiative:
  - a. Recommend that the list of members is not included, as this changes, and we don't want to have to be constantly updating a brochure.
  - b. City website has some information online already with meeting minutes, etc. Recommend reviewing this site and the committee may provide recommendations.
  - c. Members liked the idea of a brochure, as it is something that can be given to people or agencies. Additionally, members stated not everyone has online access.
4. John Sullivan will begin this initiative with the Education Committee, and bring a draft document back to the board for review.

**VII. Updates**

- A. City ADA Update – Defer until next meeting due to time.
- B. County ADA Update – Defer until next meeting due to time.
- C. Other – Defer until next meeting due to time.
  - i. Joint City/County training for Contractors/Architects on new ADA Standards – moved date to March (no discussion)

**VIII. Public Comment – None.**

**IX. Adjourn at 11:50 AM**

**The next meeting will be:**

**Wednesday, March 28, 2012  
10:00-11:30 a.m. at Envision**