

2024 Attendance

Y=Attended E=Excused R=Represented (Board meetings are Jan., April, June and Oct.; blue dates are Executive Committee mtgs)

*The January board meeting attendance reflects 2023 members since 2024 board members are not voted upon until the end of the meeting.

2024 Board members are noted as guests at the January meeting.

Executive Committee members (in blue) are permitted an Alternate; board-only members do not have alternates per Articles of Agreement.

Jurisdiction/Organization	First Name	Last Name	Exec. Comm. Alternate	Jan. 11 - Board	Feb. 8 - E.C.	Mar. 14 - E.C.	Apr. 11 - Board	May 9 - E.C.	June 13 - Board	Sept. 12 - E.C.	Oct. 10 - Board	Nov. 14 - E.C.
Alexandria, KY	TBA											
Anderson Township	Josh	Gerth	Lexi Lausten	Y	E	Y	Y	Y	E			
Bellevue, KY	Charlie	Cleves		Y	Y	E	Y	Y	Y			
Blue Ash, OH	Brian	Gath		Y	Y	Y	Y		E			
Boone County Fiscal Court	Cathy	Flaig		Y		Y	Y	E				
Boone County Fiscal Court	Gary W.	Moore	Matthew Webster	Y	Y	Y	E	E	Y			
Boone Co. Planning Commission	Randy	Bessler		Y	E	Y	Y	Y	E			
Butler Co. Assoc. of Township Trustees & Clerks	Shannon	Hartkemeyer	Norma Pennock	Y	E	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Butler County Board of Commissioners	T.C.	Rogers	David Fehr	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
Butler County Planning Commission	David C.	Fehr										
Butler County RTA	Christopher	Lawson	Matthew Dutkevicz		Y	Y	R		Y			
Campbell County Fiscal Court	Brian	Painter	Tom Lampe	Y					Y			
Campbell County Fiscal Court	Steve	Pendery	Matt Elberfeld	E	Y	Y	E	Y	E			
Campbell County Planning & Zoning Commission	Sharon	Haynes		E	Y		Y		E			
Cheviot, OH	TBA											
Cincinnati, OH	Mark	Jeffreys	John Brazina	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y			
City of Cincinnati Planning Commission	Emily	Ahouse		Y	Y	Y	Y	E	Y			
City of Fairfield Planning Commission	Greg	Kathman		E	Y	Y	Y		Y			

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Ft. Thomas, KY	Ben	Pendery		Y			E		E				
Ft. Wright, KY	Dave	Hatter		E					Y				
Green Township	Tony	Rosiello	Adam Goetzman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				
Greendale, IN	Vince	Karsteter		Y									
Hamilton Co. Board of Commisioners	Alicia	Reece	Denise Driehaus	Y	R	Y	R	R					
Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission	David	Okum	Steve Goodin	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y				
Hamilton County Township Association	Thomas	Weidman											
Hamilton, OH	Susan	Vaughn	Tim Naab	E	Y	Y	E	Y	Y				
Harrison, OH	Doug	Abrams		E	Y	Y	Y	Y					
Highland Heights, KY	TBA												
Indepence, KY	Christopher	Reinersman		E	E			E					
Indian Hill, OH	Pat	Stern		Y	Y								
Indiana Department of Transportation	Chris	Wahlman	Terry Summers	R					E/R				
Kenton County Fiscal Court	Kris	Knochelmann	Spencer Stork	E	Y	Y	E	Y	Y				
Kenton County Planning Commission	Gailen	Bridges		Y			Y		Y				
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet	Robert	Yeager	Mike Bezold	Y	R	R	Y	Y	Y				
Lawrenceburg, IN	Mark	Fette	Guinevere Banschbach		Y								
Lebanon, OH	Brad	Lamoreaux	effective June '24						Y				
Liberty Township	Steve	Schramm	Tom Farrell										
Loveland, OH	Ted	Phelps					Y						
Madeira, OH	J. Douglas	Moorman		Y			Y						
Mason, OH	Joy	Bennett		Y			Y						
Miami Township	Mary	Makley Wolff	Steve Kelly	Y	E	Y	E		Y				
Middletown, OH	Elizabeth	Slamka	Paul Horn	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	E/R				

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Warren County Engineer	Neil	Tunison		E									
Warren County Regional Planning Commission	Ryan	Cook	Cameron Goschinski	Y	Y	R			Y				
West Chester Township	Ann	Becker	Arun Hindupur	E	Y		Y		Y				
Wyoming, OH	Dan	Driehaus	Jodi Woffington	E	Y			Y	E/R				
Resident Members (20)													
Resident member	Craig	Beckley		Y			Y		Y				
Resident member, The Port	Laura N.	Brunner		E	E	E	E	E	E				
Resident member	Jeff	Earlywine		Y	Y		E	Y	Y				
Resident member, Boone County Engineer	Rob	Franxman			Y				Y				
Resident member, Warren County Board of Commissioners	Shannon	Jones											
Resident member	Liz	Keating		E	Y	Y			Y				
Resident member	Roger	Kerlin	Chris Reinersman	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				
Resident member, Dearborn County Chamber of Commerce	Eric	Kranz		E									
Resident member	Larry	Maxey		Y	Y	Y	E	Y	Y				
Resident member	Henry (Hank) E.	Menninger, Jr.		Y	Y	Y	E	Y	Y				
Resident member, Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber	Pete	Metz			Y			Y					
Resident member	Pamela E.	Mullins		Y	Y								
Resident member	Kenneth	Reed		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	E				
Resident member	Sal	Santoro		Y	E	E	Y		Y				
Resident member	Karl B.	Schultz	Joe Braun	Y	Y	Y	R	Y	Y				
Resident member, Ohio Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs	V. Anthonty	Simms-Howell	Michael Florez	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				
Resident member, Kenton Co. Public Works	Spencer	Stork			Y	Y	E	Y	Y				

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Guests

Terry Summers, INDOT
Lauren O'Brien, CTC Consultants
Brandon Seiter, KCPW
Jeff Wallace, Woolpert
Julie Smith-Morrow, Newport
Hayes Santa, WCRPC
Maggie Hostein, Woolper
Elaine Zeinner, Boone Co.
Dan Pozniak, DSD Advisors
Jerry Haddix, South Lebanon
Chris Harding, Hamilton Co.
Jill Cole, Blue Ash
Jeff Wright, Warren Co. Assoc. of Township Trustees & Clerks

OKI Staff

Lorrie Platt
David Shuey
Summer Jones
Regina Fields
Suzanne Parkey
Jenny Newcomb
Travis Miller
Elizabeth Niese
Katie Hannum
Bhavya Pant
Margaret Minzner
Florence Parker
Brett Porter
Jersson Pachar
Robyn Bancroft

Board of Director's Meeting Minutes
Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments
June 13, 2024 – 10:30 a.m.

Attendance record for OKI board members along with guests and staff follow the minutes.

Item #1A – Administrative – President's Report

President Gary Moore called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m., he reminded members this is a Board of Director's meeting. He asked members to state their name clearly or raise their name placard when making a motion or second. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Mark Jeffreys. President Moore welcomed Councilmember Brad Lamoreaux representing the city of Lebanon, Ohio to the Board of Directors.

President Moore requested a motion to concur with the ICC FY 2025 appointments (a memo was distributed via Constant Contact email with meeting materials to all members). A motion was provided by Councilmember Mark Jeffreys with a second from Mr. Karl Schultz, Resident Member; motion passed.

President Moore requested a motion to cancel the July 11, 2024 executive committee meeting. A motion was provided by Trustee Ann Becker with a second from Commissioner David Painter; motion passed.

Item #1B - Approval of the May 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes

President Moore requested approval of the May 9, 2024 Executive Committee meeting minutes as distributed. Commissioner T.C. Rogers provided a motion with a second from Trustee Shannon Hartkemeyer; motion passed.

Item #1C - CEO's Report

Mr. Mark Policinski provided an update on a proposed amendment that could appear on the November ballot in Hamilton County. The proposed amendment is initiated by a group from Northern Kentucky, and it relates to the voting process of the OKI Board of Directors. The proposed amendment language prohibits the City of Cincinnati being a member of an MPO that does not have proportional voting by population. He stated this is a misinformation campaign based on two points.

1. The Northern Kentucky group says the City of Cincinnati is not getting its fair share of Ohio's dollars for projects.

Fact: The city of Cincinnati is 18% of the Ohio population and from 2010-2028, the city will receive about 31% of Ohio funds.

2. The OKI Board of Directors does not approve the projects that the City of Cincinnati really wants.

Fact: Every project that the OKI BOD approves emanates from a jurisdiction. Mr. Policinski stated OKI has never dictated to any jurisdiction which projects are to be built. He also noted that all proposed projects go through OKI's prioritization process, a scoring process which is considered a best practice from FHWA. Councilmember Jeffreys added the City of Cincinnati is not requesting this amendment and it is a problem in search of a solution. He shared that he has requested an official factual report from the city administration by month's end. He believes it is detrimental to the city and would not support the proposed amendment.

Next, Mr. Policinski shared that OKI recently received an *Award of Distinction* from the Communicator Awards in the category of government website design. He recognized OKI staff member, Ms. Suzanne Parkey for her dedicated leadership in rebuilding the website in which the initial phases and content were

done in-house for cost-savings. He thanked those board members, ICC and staff who provided input for the oki.org redesign, which was launched in late 2023. He also shared that the website has received accolades from local and regional agencies, such as FHWA-KY, which said this should be the model website for all MPOs.

Mr. Policinski announced every four years, OKI is required to update our Coordinated Plan. The Plan is critical as it identifies special transportation needs as well as gaps for seniors and individuals with disabilities; and how OKI can address those needs and gaps. As part of this update, there is a survey for those who use these services along with the general public until August 16. A flyer was distributed to all that has a QR code to the survey. He asked BOD members to help spread the word about the survey. OKI staff members Summer Jones and Brett Porter are available to assist or if a member has questions.



Mr. Policinski concluded with the announcement that Ms. Florence Parker, after 19 years of remarkable service, is retiring. Ms. Parker was a public involvement specialist for OKI for nearly two decades, leading OKI's efforts in reaching and connecting with the public. He explained that due to so many rules and regulations dictated by the feds, public outreach is a very sensitive area and there never once was a complaint about how OKI managed such. Mr. Policinski said through her dedication and perseverance, she helped steer and build our Environmental Justice program and committee. Additionally, Ms. Parker was critical in implementing the public outreach plan related to the MLK Interchange project, which included over 130 meetings with communities within and surrounding the project's footprint before and during the project. He said she will be greatly missed. *Note** Ms. Parker is transitioning into a part-time role with OKI.

Item #1D – Finance Officer's Report

Director of Finance, Ms. Katie Hannum, stated copies of the Finance Officer's Report were distributed to members in advance with a printed copy at their seats. Ms. Hannum reported the Council's financing activities, as of August 7, 2024, OKI had:

\$631,201 in the PNC Bank Commercial Checking Account
\$24,722 in the PNC HAS/FSA Checking Account
\$879,870 in the STAR Ohio Money Market Mutual Fund Account

Ms. Hannum reported there has been no recent activity on OKI's line of credit, and there is no outstanding balance at report date. She further reported on Balance Sheet, Revenue and Expense information.

President Moore requested a motion to approve the financial report. Mr. Tony Simms Howell, Resident Member provided a motion with a second from Judge Executive Kris Knochelmann; motion passed.

Item #2 – Resolution Authorizing Adoption of the Council Fiscal Year 2025 Operating and Capital Budgets

Finance Director Hannum stated she was presenting FY2025 operating and capital budget for each cost category. She explained the significant variances between FY24 forecast as compared to the FY24 budget. Additionally, she highlighted differences in the overall forecast as compared to the new FY25 budget. She stated overall FY24 forecasted expenditures are 15% under the original budgeted expenditures and FY25 is 28% less than FY24 budget and 15% less than the FY24 forecast. She then summarized the various expense and revenue categories. She concluded by stating this is the 26th budget year where the per capita is at \$.33 per county contributions.

President Moore commented that the report was very concise and acknowledged the countless hours it took to prepare it, including time and input from budget committee members. He requested a motion to approve the budget as presented for OKI Resolution 2024-18. A motion was provided by Councilmember Susan Vaughn with a second from Mr. Roger Kerlin, Resident Member; motion passed.

Item #3 – Resolution for Authorization to Enter into a Contract for Human Resources Services for the Council

Finance Director Hannum shared that OKI has contracted with HR Elements to provide professional human resources in the areas of benefits, recruiting, onboarding, training, policy review and other HR tasks that may arise. She noted the success and cost effectiveness with HR Elements in the past few years is compelling to engage in another contract with them. OKI Resolution 2024-19 authorizes the executive director to execute a contract for FY2025 with HR Elements at a cost not to exceed \$113,000. President Moore requested a motion to approve which was provided by Commissioner David Painter, with a second from Trustee Mary Makely Wolff; motion passed.

Item #4 – Adoption of the OKI 2050 Metropolitan Plan

Deputy Executive Director Bob Koehler provided the final presentation for the OKI 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP or the Plan) update as there were subsequent presentations at past meetings. During his remarks, Mr. Koehler provided a summary of recommendations and highlighted the impacts of those recommendations on travel within the OKI region. He noted that change depends on a variety of factors, but the most constant stimuli is how technology affects how we move about the region.

He said the update explores the impacts of many factors and delivers a fiscally and air quality constrained plan that meets all federal requirements and fulfills OKI's metropolitan planning process. He commented that the MTP represents an effective and vibrant blend of programs and projects for the region. Additionally, there are certain federal requirements the Plan must meet to make the region eligible for federal transportation funds.

- The Plan is required to be updated every four years. The regulations do permit the plan to be amended as local conditions, needs or priorities change.
- The Plan must be multimodal and address the 11 planning factors.
- This Plan is an update of the *OKI 2050 Regional Transportation Plan*, which the BOD adopted June 11, 2020. The federal planning factors that must be considered in the development of a Plan were used as the goals for this 2050 Plan.

The OKI 2050 MTP contains more than 250 projects including the traditional elements of pedestrian, bike, freight, transit, roadway, and bridges. The list of projects can be viewed in tabular or map form in the Recommendations Section. Mr. Koehler noted the list is a result of the many contributions from OKI communities and performance-based planning approaches undertaken by staff.

He also shared that there are some additional elements in this Plan that are less traditional including bus rapid transit (BRT), and Transportation System Management & Operation (TSMO). TSMO is recommended in high volume corridors that are expected to experience extreme congestion. Potential improvements may be use of freeway shoulders during peak hours, ramp metering or adaptive signals. The use of technologies involving fiber optic, 5G, dedicated short range communication and technologies yet to be developed are recommended to facilitate communication between infrastructure and vehicles. This new infrastructure will be the technological bridge to the future that will support connected and autonomous vehicles

Mr. Koehler concluded in thanking the OKI BOD and ICC for their continued support and the entire OKI staff for their contributions to the development of the Plan.

President Moore requested a motion to approve OKI Resolution 2024-20, which was provided by Mr. Hank Menninger, Resident Member with a second from Mr. Karl Schultz, Resident Member; motion carried.

Item #5 – Resolution Authorizing Retaining 4BIS.com as Managed Service Provider for Information Technology Infrastructure and End-User Systems Assistance

OKI staff, Mr. David Shuey stated OKI utilizes the services of a managed service provider to maintain and secure OKI's computer network. The agreement includes all aspects of IT management, including help desk support and on-going security monitoring of the OKI network. Due to the cost-effectiveness, OKI Resolution 2024-21 authorizes the executive director to execute a contract with 4BIS.com to not exceed \$110,100. President Moore requested a motion for Resolution 2024-21. Judge Executive Knochelmann provided a motion and a second came from Trustee Shannon Hartkemeyer; motion carried.

Item #6 – Resolution Authorizing a Service Agreement with Altafiber to Provide Telecommunications Services

Mr. David Shuey stated OKI contracts with Altafiber for telecommunication services including internet connectivity and a hosted IP phone system. He noted the current contract expires at the end of June 2024. OKI Resolution 2024-22 will extend the contract for three years at a cost not to exceed \$67,000. President Moore requested a motion to approve Resolution 2024-22. Trustee Jonathan Sams provided the motion with a second from Mr. Karl Schultz, Resident Member; motion carried.

Item #7 – Resolution Authorizing a Purchase of Equipment for the Ohio River Bridge Count Station Program

OKI staff, Mr. Jersson Pachar noted OKI currently owns and operates radar traffic data collection units at the seven Ohio River bridges in the OKI region. He stated one of the count station's radars consistently experiences seasonal power issues. OKI Resolution 2024-23 will allow OKI to purchase two video-based traffic counters to replace existing radar-based counters at the 1-275 Combs-Hehl Bridge not to exceed \$43,000. The purchase will include a comprehensive warranty for a five-year period beginning June 2024. President Moore requested a motion to approve OKI Resolution 2024-23, which was provided by Commissioner T.C. Rogers with a second from Councilmember Floyd Croucher; motion carried.

Item #8 - Intermodal Coordinating Committee Report

OKI staff, Mr. Andy Reser provided a brief update on the ICC meeting held on June 11, 2024. He shared the committee approved a TIP administrative modification and recommended the FY25 ICC membership

list memo to the board of directors. He mentioned three resolutions were recommended to the BOD for approval.

1. Adoption of 2040 Plan
2. Purchase of equipment for Ohio River bridge count program
3. Amendment #9 for FY2024-2027 TIP

Additionally, he stated applications for this year's federal capital funds were due June 7 with funding for five categories available. The following chart was shared with members.

2024 Prioritization Applications Received

Type of Fund	Funding Available	# of Applications Received	Amount Requested
Ohio CRP	\$13 m	40	\$11,129,086
Ohio STBG	\$29 m	18	\$73,787,934
Ohio TA	\$3.6 m	5	\$4,666,144
Kentucky SNK	\$7 m	13	\$19,498,276
Kentucky TA	\$2.5 m	7	\$4,568,033

He said OKI staff will review all applications during the summer and the Environmental Justice Committee will also meet to review and score the projects. The ICC will review scored projects at their September meeting and the recommended projects will be presented for BOD approval at the October meeting. In closing, Mr. Reser shared that OKI will host DriveOhio on June 17 for a meeting and EV showcase in the west parking lot (outside of the Sawyer Point Building), all members are invited.

Item #9 – Amendment #9 of the OKI Fiscal Years 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program

Mr. Andy Reser stated that Resolution 2024-24 is Amendment #9 to the FY24-27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). It includes five projects that were recently awarded federal discretionary funds.

1. City of Hamilton awarded a Safe Streets for All Demonstration Grant for a road diet and buffered bike lane along Knightsbridge Drive
2. Three Safe Streets for All Planning Grants were awarded to: Springdale, Lebanon, and the Northern Kentucky Area Development District
3. City of Cincinnati was awarded over \$10million under the PROTECT program to provide construction remedies at 10 roadway and utility locations prone to landslides and retaining wall failures
4. & 5. Transit - two projects were added to the Cincinnati Streetcar
 - 1.) Planning funds for real-time arrival integration
 - 2.) Capital funding for rail preventative maintenance

President Moore requested a motion to approve OKI Resolution 2024-24. A motion was provided by Trustee Mary Makely Wolff with a second from Mr. Craig Beckly, Resident Member; motion passed.

Item #10 – Other Business

OKI staff, Ms. Robyn Bancroft shared that ODOT is creating a new Ohio Maritime Plan, and they are seeking input in the form of a survey. She noted she is on the steering committee and encouraged input from all members, not just communities near the Ohio River. A flyer with a QR code for a survey is available at the back table.



www.transportation.ohio.gov/programs/ohio-maritime-plan

Item #11 - Adjournment

President Moore requested a motion to adjourn, which was provided by Commissioner David Painter with a second from Councilmember Mark Jeffreys; motion carried.
End of meeting 11:48a.m.

Submitted by Lorrie Platt