Policy Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 16, 1:30 pm

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of May 21, 2020 Minutes – Action Item

A motion was made by Steve Stockham and seconded by Steve Lawver to approve the May 21, 2020 meeting minutes. All members voted in favor.

III. Reports and Communications

None.

IV. New and Unfinished Business

a. MTP update progress report

The first public open house for the MTP update will be held virtually on August 20, 2020. Participants will have one week to walk through the open house materials and provide comments. The website includes existing conditions and uses Konveio to allow participants to comment on posters. Due to data collection delays, the new adoption date will be in February 2021.

b. FY 2021 Program Goals

Staff provided the draft FY 2021 program goals for the Policy Board’s review.

1. Increase community engagement by using the JATSO website, social media, and other online tools to reach as many residents of the JATSO planning area as possible

2. Develop and adopt the 2022-2025 JATSO TIP in accordance with state and federal standards

3. Adopt a robust and user-friendly MTP that will help JATSO make transportation planning and policy decisions
4. Assess the active transportation network in the JATSO planning area to find creative opportunities to increase network connectivity and ease of use

5. Continue to improve the operational and technical capacity of the JATSO metropolitan transportation planning process.

Board members suggested adding a sixth goal related to COVID-19.

c. Active Transportation Subcommittee – Action Item

Staff presented draft bylaws for the proposed Active Transportation Subcommittee. The Board voted to move forward with the subcommittee in January. Board members requested more information on how other MPO’s use their active transportation committees and how they specifically function.

d. Transit Master Plan update

Robert Lolley provided an update on the Transit Master Plan update that is going to Joplin City Council in August 2020. The new plan advises revised transit routes to decrease ride times.

V. Member Reports

MoDOT staff discussed the Shared Work Program and cost saving measures the state is undertaking due to decreased gas tax revenue.

VI. Adjourn

A motion was made by Steve Lawver and seconded by Steve Stockham to adjourn. All members present voted in favor.