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# Information Network of Kansas Board Meeting Minutes

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## July 2017 INK Board Meeting July 5, 2017

### Opening

A meeting of the INK Board was called to order at 10:01 a.m. Tuesday, July 5, 2017 at 700 SW Harrison, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Executive Conference Room, Topeka, Kansas by Kathy Sachs, representing the Secretary of State, with the following members present:

Matt Billingsley, representing the Secretary of Revenue  
Lana Gordon, Secretary of Labor  
Scott Hill, representing the Kansas Bar Association (*by telephone*)  
Gregg Wamsley, representing the Kansas Library Association

### Others Present

Duncan Friend of the Information Network of Kansas, Inc.; Nolan Jones, James Adams, and Ashley Gordon, Kansas Information Consortium, LLC. Guests included Bob Brock, State Director of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS); Trever Linn, Intern (UAS)

### Consent Agenda

The consent agenda for the meeting included the June 2017 INK Board minutes; June 2017 Network Manager Report; the following contracts for approval for KanPay Counter services: City of Hope, Sumner County, R.W.D. #5, USD 200 – Tribune Schools; and the list of Board expenses for approval.

**Action Taken:** Motion made to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety by Secretary Gordon, seconded by Billingsley. Approved unanimously.

### Action Agenda

#### 1. **Presentation: Bob Brock, State Director of Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)**

(*See copy of presentation attached*) Brock discussed UAS goals and collaboration efforts in Kansas, providing examples. He also described the resources in Kansas that make this program a good fit, the size of the aircraft industry in the state, and recent participation by a variety of Kansas stakeholders in a trade show in Texas on this subject. After the presentation, Sachs told the Board that she had asked Brock outside if there was anything the Board could be doing to help and they had arrived at the idea that the Board might offer a statement of support for the effort – Sachs said she would work on a draft.

**Action Taken:** None.

#### 2. **Network Manager Report (Jones)**

Jones discussed KIC/INK activities over the last month. He began by stressing the importance he put on an award that local KIC staff had won (internal to NIC) for the most work of any NIC portal on community outreach and volunteering. He then noted that he had received notice from KDOR of two services being withdrawn from INK, Reinstatements and OTC Payment Processing. He discussed that

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the OJA contract had been signed and noted that Scott Morrison, a 19-year employee of KIC, had been promoted to Director of Development.

**Action Taken:** None.

### 3. “No Charge” Service Report (*Jones*)

Jones discussed three “no charge” services provided by INK: The Governor’s grant program; Crash Logs (via KHP/KDOT); and “basic verification applications” of which there were 23 in place. Sachs offered Jones the opportunity to present on these at the next Kansas Business Center Advisory Committee meeting if he were interested in doing so.

**Action Taken:** None.

### 4. 2016 INK Financial Audit – Status (*Friend*)

Friend updated the group briefly on the status of the annual audit. Most of the work on INK and KIC’s part had been completed and delivered to the auditors – something should be ready to present in the August / September timeframe.

**Action Taken:** None.

### 5. 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2017 Financials for Approval (*Wamsley*)

Wamsley and Friend presented the financials for review and approval by the Board.

**Action Taken:** Billingsley motioned to approve the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2017 Financials, seconded by Secretary Gordon. Motion passes unanimously.

### 6. FY 2017 INK / OITS Avamar Contract for Approval (*Friend*)

Friend directed the members to relevant materials in the Board packet and discussed briefly the previous practice of INK performing its own annual Disaster Recovery test in addition to the one performed by KIC/NIC, but using the backup provided nightly to INK. The contract / invoice was in arrears as the billing for FY2017 wasn’t ready and delivered until June 2017. The Board asked Friend to research options given that the equipment used to receive the backup was working, but “end-of-life” and no longer supported by the vendor.

**Action Taken:** Wamsley motioned to approve FY 2017 INK/OITS Avamar Contract and payment, seconded by Hill. Motion passes unanimously.

### 7. Kansas Business Center Update (*Sachs / Friend*)

Agencies are entering their information. Department of Revenue is moving slow but are moving forward in getting them entered.

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**Business Form Finder testing.** Sachs requested the Board approve for use of KBC restricted funds up to \$15,000 to cover security audit/testing and performance testing for the Business Form Finder application. These two items had been suggested by a review team from OITS and SOS had explored costs and an approach to performing them.

**Action Taken:** Billingsley motion for up to \$15,000 to do a security audit and performance testing of Business Form Finder, seconded by Gordon. Motion passes unanimously.

### 8. New Business - Board member nomination status (*Friend*)

Friend updated the Board on results so far of research into obtaining nominees to be forwarded to the Governor's office for the 3 vacant positions, including feedback he'd received on possible candidates from several current board members. The Board divided the possible nominees into three groups – Industry, Local Government, and Agriculture/Agribusiness industries. In addition to the names provided, the Board asked Friend to use his own judgment in supplementing the names where gaps remained in order to be able to move forward a full slate. They also indicated that he should move forward with the nomination process if the slate was ready before the next meeting by working with the chair and sending notification of the slate to the Board.

**Action Taken:** None.

### 9. Adjournment

**Action Taken:** Billingsley moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Gordon. Motion passes unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

The next INK board meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on August 1, 2017, at 700 SW Harrison, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Executive Conference Room, Topeka, Kansas.

Minutes submitted by: Nikki Reed/Duncan Friend

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# KANSAS UAS SYSTEM

**Bob Brock**

**Director of UAS**

July 2017





# Kansas UAS

## Tailored to Kansas

- Stakeholders across the state identified pressing needs
- Manufacturers & Universities demonstrate strong capabilities
- UAS Training identified as a nationwide gap (Safety & Privacy)

**\$13.6 billion impact  
nationwide**

\*Source: AUVSI UAS Economic  
Impact Study 2013





# Kansas UAS

## Strategic Engagement

- Synchronize all potential UAS participants as one cohesive force to engage at national level
- Deliver UAS infrastructure that makes Kansas attractive for UAS economic growth
- Demonstrate leadership in the areas important to the nation



An aerial photograph of Topeka, Kansas, centered on the Kansas State Capitol building. The Capitol is a large, classical-style building with a prominent dome, surrounded by green lawns and walkways. To the north and east, various city buildings and parking lots are visible. A large, semi-transparent blue circle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing white text.

## UAS Joint Task Force

KDOT	K-State
Agriculture	University of Kansas
Commerce	Wichita State
Education	Pittsburg State
Parks & Wildlife	KHP
Health & Environm't	KBI

## Other KS Partners

- Kansas Airports
- Economic Development
- KS Police Chiefs
- KS Sheriffs
- KS Fire Marshalls
- LE Training Centers





## Kansas UAS Priorities

- Standardized safety, privacy and job training statewide
- Seamless disaster response capability
- Position Kansas as a national UAS leader to drive economic growth through Precision Ag, new manufacturing and jobs





## Kansas UAS System

- **Strong partnerships**
  - **KDOT Aviation**
  - **KSDE Board of Education**
  - **Kansas Center for Career and Technical Education**
- **UAS training beta test**
  - **STEM curriculum**
  - **FAA certification – job ready**
  - **Associates / 4-year credit**



## Kansas UAS Summary

Synchronize UAS statewide for strategic gains

- Increase public safety
- Protect personal and property rights
- Deliver World-class UAS STEM to high schools
  - Certify students as FAA UAS Operators = Workforce to satisfy new requirements
  - Associates Degree feeds Four-year Degree
- Vocational/Technical School certification program
- Local business/farmers as Commercial Operators

***Engage Kansas' strongest leaders to seize this economic opportunity***





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