

2023 Kansas Statutes

12-6006. Same; authority board; members; appointments; conduct of meetings. (a) The Gage park improvement authority shall be governed by a board composed of seven resident electors of Shawnee county as follows:

- (1) The director of Shawnee county parks or the director's designee;
- (2) the director of the Topeka zoo, who may be the president, chief executive officer or head of a nonprofit operator of the Topeka zoo, or such person's designee;
- (3) the director of the Kansas children's discovery center, who may be the president, chief executive officer or head of a nonprofit operator of the Kansas children's discovery center, or such person's designee;
- (4) two members appointed by the Topeka city council; and
- (5) two members appointed by the board of county commissioners of Shawnee county.

(b) Appointments of the initial members of the authority shall be made in such time that the authority may hold its first meeting prior to the end of the year in which the authority was first established. Appointed members shall serve terms of three years. The terms of the director of Shawnee county parks, the director of the Topeka zoo and the director of the Kansas children's discovery center shall not expire but shall transfer automatically to the successor officers of the respective organizations. The appointed members of the authority shall continue in such position until and unless removed by the appointing authority or a successor is appointed and qualified. Appointed members shall be eligible for reappointment. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the appointed members of the authority, a successor shall be selected to fill such vacancy in the same manner that the vacated member was appointed and for the remainder of such vacated member's unexpired term. A vacancy of a member who is not an appointed member may be filled by a representative of the member's respective organization. Any member of the authority may be removed at any time by the member's respective appointing authority or organization, and a new member may then be selected by the member's respective appointing authority or organization.

(c) The authority shall select annually from its membership a chairperson, vice chairperson and secretary.

(d) The authority shall determine the time and place for its meetings. Meetings shall be held at least quarterly within Shawnee county for the purposes of reviewing, discussing and voting on the allocation of sales tax revenue. The county shall provide a suitable meeting place upon request of the authority. The authority shall be subject to the provisions of the Kansas open meetings act and the Kansas open records act.

(e) A majority of the authority shall constitute a quorum. No action of the authority shall be binding unless taken at a meeting in which at least a quorum is present and unless a majority of the members present at such meeting vote in favor of such action.

History: L. 2022, ch. 63, § 25; July 1.