



**MAASTO Board of Directors Meeting
Monday September 24, 2018
Atlanta, Georgia**

MAASTO Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Welcome and Introductions

Welcome and opening remarks were made by MAASTO President Director Joe McGuinness

MAASTO Board Members in Attendance:

- Joe McGuinness, Commissioner, Indiana DOT, MAASTO President by phone
- Patrick McKenna, Director, Missouri DOT
- Randy Blankenhorn, Secretary, Illinois DOT
- Mark Lowe, Director, Iowa DOT
- Joel Skelley, Kansas DOT
- Kirk Steudle, Director Michigan DOT
- Charlie Zelle, Commissioner, Minnesota DOT
- Jack Maichloznks, Ohio DOT designee

Others in Attendance:

- Justine Sydello, Illinois DOT
- Louis Feagans, Indiana DOT
- Laura Mester, Michigan DOT
- Tim Henkel, Minnesota DOT
- Shiloh Wahl, Minnesota DOT
- Serge Phillips, Minnesota DOT
- Stu Andrum, Iowa DOT
- Jay Wunderlich, Missouri DOT
- Ed Hassinger, Missouri DOT
- Niles Annelin, Michigan DOT
- Mark Van Port Fleet Michigan DOT
- Kristi Schroedl, Minnesota DOT
- Schmidt, Minnesota DOT
- Paul Loete, Illinois DOT
- Charlie Purell, Iowa DOT
- Tony Kratofil, Michigan DOT
- Sue Mulvihill, Minnesota DOT
- Nancy Daubingurger, Minnesota DOT
- Mikel Derey, Iowa DOT
- John Selmer, Iowa DOT
- King W. Gee, AASHTO
- Joe Kiesow, Bentley Systems

Opening Comments from MAASTO President

MAASTO President Joe McGuinness began the board meeting by welcoming everyone to the breakfast.

President McGuinness discussed his goals on working on improving work zone safety and trying to work as a group on developing a 21st Century Workforce. Commissioner McGuinness

discussed that his concerns for the work zone safety is not only for the traveling public which has the majority of the serious injuries occur but for our workforce both contracted and government employees. He also discussed INDOT employee emergency fund program that provided the family of employees injured or worse immediately money to help until insurance money starts.

Approval of Minutes

The meeting minutes from the August, 29, 2018 MAASTO Board meeting in Traverse City, Michigan were approved.

Committee Reports

Joel Skelley, KDOT and chairman of the Strategic Transportation Initiatives Committee (STIC), reported the following:

- STIC is working on the MAASTO Reauthorization whitepaper to be used for the meeting in Washington DC
- Director Patrick McKenna MoDOT stated make sure we talk about the reauthorization bill and we stay up to date on the bills.
- Director Kirk Steudle MIDOT stated we need to keep working on being proactive and not reactive.
- Director Patrick McKenna MoDOT stated that we should try to fast track the rescission letter stating the number of projects that could be loss due to it happening.
- Director Mark Lowe Iowa DOT stated that we could have the effects for each state.

No other committee had any information to report

TPF Update

Justine Sydello, IDOT, gave an update on the AASTO TPF committee.

- The committee is working on a policy for reauthorization
- 11 white papers on different topics for the industry
- Secretary Randy Blankenhorn Illinois DOT talked about trying to find funding ideas for Rest Areas P3 or other
- Everyone discussed not supporting ear marks.
- Director Kirk Steudle MIDOT talked about Michigan's plans for human traffic ting; their initial plan was to work as a group but it sounds like all of the states have a plan and are working already on the issue.

Upcoming MAASTO Meetings

Commissioner McGuinness provide the board with an overview of the 2019 annual MAASTO meeting scheduled for Indianapolis.

Secretary Blankenhorn provided the board with an overview and his expectations of the 2020 annual MAASTO meeting planned for Vandalia, Illinois; home of the first state capitol.

Director Lowe Iowa DOT will host the 2021 annual conference.

Open discussion

Director Patrick McKenna MoDOT and Commissioner Joe McGuinness INDOT discussed the interview process for the replacement of the Bud Wright. They interviewed the top 15 candidates out over 100 resumes. Then reduced the 15 to the top 9 and then down to the Top 3. The final vote will be today.

Director Kirk Steudle MIDOT talked about the board needing to discuss the top 3 needs for the region. 1) More money, 2) Less strings attached to the funds, 3) More Flexibility

There was discussion on a federal gas tax and the support for that.

Adjournment

With no other business coming before the board the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Louis Feagans PE
MAASTO Secretary