

Upper Arkansas Regional Advisory Committee Meeting

1:00 PM (CST), Friday April 9, 2021
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Members in Attendance:

Name	City	Category	Term	Present
Kyle Nelson (Chair)	Holcomb, KS	Industry/Commerce (cc)	2023	Yes
Joe Jury (Vice-Chair)	Ingalls, KS	Agriculture (cc)	2023	Yes
Kyle Averhoff	Garden City, KS	Dairy	2021	No
Hugh Brownlee	Syracuse, KS	At Large Public (cc)	2021	No
Roy Dixon	Garden City, KS	Agriculture Industry	2021	Yes
Titus Jaeger	Lakin, KS	Groundwater Irrigation	2023	Yes
Fred Jones	Garden City, KS	Public Water Supply (cc)	2021	No
Monte Morgan	Deerfield, KS	At Large Public 3	2021	Yes
Bill Simshauser	Lakin, KS	Conservation/Environment (cc)	2021	Yes
Hal Scheuerman	Deerfield, KS	Surface Water Irrigation	2021	No
Ray Slattery	Dodge City, KS	Public Water Supply 2	2023	No
Brant Peterson	Johnson, KS	Groundwater Management	2023	Yes
Jason Shamburg	Deerfield, KS	At Large Public 2	2023	No

Others in attendance:

Name	Agency
Keadron Pearson	KWO
Kirk Tjelmeland	KWO
Matt Unruh	KWO
Kevin Salter	KDA-DWR
Rachel Duran	KDA-DWR
Randy Hayzlett	KWA Member
Mark Rude	GMD3
Wade Kleven	KDHE

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** The meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM by RAC Chair Kyle Nelson. All present provided self-introductions.
2. **Review of Agenda:** The agenda was reviewed. No changes requested by the RAC members.
3. **Review of February 2021 Meeting Notes:** The meeting notes were reviewed. There were no changes requested by the RAC members.
4. **Updates**
 - a. **Kansas Water Authority (KWA):** Keadron Pearson (KWO) informed the RAC of recent updates that had occurred to the KWA.

- b. **Kansas Water Officer (KWO):** Keadron Pearson (KWO) gave an update on personnel and agency changes that had occurred since the last RAC meeting.
- c. **Legislative:** Matt Unruh (KWO) gave an overview on the House Committee on Water. He also provided an update on what has been occurring with the State Water Plan Budget.

5. Regional Activities

- a. **Background on a Colorado Multi-User Account Pilot Project in John Martin Reservoir Proposal by Rachel Duran (KDA-DWR) and Kevin Salter (KDA-DWR):** Rachel Duran (KDA-DWR) and Kevin Salter (KDA-DWR) presented on the background of the Colorado Multi-User Account Pilot Project in John Martin Reservoir Proposal. The presentation was followed by questioned from RAC members and discussion.

6. Other Business

- a. **Agency Reports:**
 - i. Kevin Salter KDA-DWR – Reported that Mike Meyer was not able to attend
 - ii. Wade Kleven KDHE – Reported that they had been conducting testing around the cites of Ford and Copeland looking at nitrate level. They are working on getting permits for more trial cites.
 - iii. Mark Rude GMD3 – Reported on regional event and programs.
 - iv. Randy Hayzlett KWA – Reported that he had visited with the new KWA Chair.
- b. **Public Comments:** None
- c. **Future Agenda Items from RAC Members:** It was requested to have the Planner send out a doodle poll to set up the next meeting
- d. **RAC Messages to the KWA:** None
- e. **Future Meetings:**
 - i. GMD3 Board Meeting: April 14
 - ii. KWA Meeting: April 26
 - iii. Governor’s Water Conference: November 16-18

The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 PM.