

Minutes of the
Special Meeting of the
REGION 9 TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Serving Rural Scott County and all of Muscatine County

Wednesday, August 3, 2022 – 1:00 p.m.
Muscatine Public Works Office
Conference Room
1459 Washington Street
Muscatine, Iowa
Angie Kersten, Chair

Technical Committee Members Present

Bryan Horesowsky	Muscatine County
Jeff Horne	City of Wilton
Angie Kersten	Scott County
Brian Stineman	City of Muscatine

Others Present

Jennifer Bizarri	Bi-State Regional Commission
Gena McCullough	Bi-State Regional Commission
Amy Fortenbacher	City of Muscatine
Pat Lynch	City of Muscatine

1. Discussion on STBG Evaluation Criteria Revisions Ms. Kersten called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Ms. McCullough reviewed the evaluation survey results summary. She also provided a slide presentation of the evaluation criteria pre-2018 and post-2018 for review. Some options were to rank all projects in a quantitative process or have a hybrid process that would have elements of quantified data and qualitative data which would be more transparent than a discuss table discussion of projects as recently occurred. A Hybrid example with variables was provided that included a number of crashes, fatalities, serious injuries, average daily traffic, mileage, and years since a project received funding ranked ordinally from greatest number being the highest ranked project, and then the ordinals being added together for a total score based on four projects being evaluated. In addition, the funding round was suggested to be every 4th year for only small communities. This example scoring resulted in Long Grove receiving the most points followed by the F58 project from Muscatine.

Members asked questions, such as, if a project does receive more points, would it have to be picked, and streets with more miles may always receive more points. One thought was if small cities could receive money on a cycle, such as every four years or if the criteria could be made to compare smaller towns. Projects could be ranked by miles driven or age of existing, or could be ranked by other quantitative factors, and then use the results to help the members recommend the projects. There will be more follow-up on the STBG evaluation criteria revisions at a future meeting since no consensus was reached. Members expressed interest in making it easy to administer and fair to the jurisdictions within Region 9.

2. Public Comments. None.
3. Adjournment. Mr. Stineman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Mr. Horesowsky seconded. The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 2:27 p.m.