

2023 Kansas Statutes

75-2744. Board; administration, composition, terms, compensation, expenses, offices. (a)

There is hereby created the unmarked burial sites preservation board. The board shall be attached to the state historical society. All budgeting, purchasing and related management functions shall be administered under the direction of the secretary of the state historical society. All vouchers for expenditures of the board shall be approved by the secretary of the state historical society.

(b) The board shall consist of:

(1) The state archeologist;

(2) a physical anthropologist, appointed by the governor, who is employed by an institution of higher education located in this state, holds a doctorate degree representing specialized training in skeletal biology or forensic osteology and has demonstrated ability to design and execute a human skeletal analysis and to present the written results and interpretations of the analysis in a thorough, scientific and timely manner;

(3) a historian, appointed by the governor, who is employed by the state historical society or an institution of higher education located in this state, holds an advanced degree in American history and has specialized in Kansas history;

(4) four tribal representatives, one from each of the four resident Kansas Indian tribes (Pottawatomie, Kickapoo, Iowa and Sac and Fox), to be selected by the governing body of the respective tribe; and

(5) two members, appointed by the governor, who represent the general public but are not members of the interest groups represented by the members enumerated in subsections (a)(2) through (4).

(c) Of the appointive members first appointed to the board: The member who is a physical anthropologist and the member who represents the Pottawatomie tribe shall serve for terms of one year; the member who is a historian, the member representing the Kickapoo tribe and one member of the general public, as designated by the governor, shall serve for terms of two years; and the member who represents the Iowa tribe, the member who represents the Sac and Fox tribe and one member of the general public, as designated by the governor, shall serve for terms of three years. Upon expiration of such terms, all members shall serve for terms of three years.

(d) Appointive members of the board attending meetings of the board or a subcommittee meeting authorized by the board shall be paid compensation and subsistence allowances, mileage and other expenses as provided by K.S.A. 75-3223 and amendments thereto.

(e) The state archeologist shall serve as chairperson of the board.

(f) The secretary of the state historical society shall serve as secretary of the board and shall provide such office space and such staff as necessary for the performance of the duties prescribed by this act.

History: L. 1989, ch. 234, § 4; July 1.