



Kalamazoo County Consolidated Dispatch Authority



Citizen Ad Hoc Group

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The primary function of the Citizen Ad Hoc Group is to allow citizens to be connected to KCCDA and to discuss, interact, and provide input to the Executive Committee related to the provision of 9-1-1 and public safety dispatch service to the residents, visitors, and public safety agencies in Kalamazoo County.

TASKS AND FUNCTIONS

The Citizen Ad Hoc Group brings together citizen views that might not otherwise be heard. This will allow the group to discuss, analyze, formulate, and forward well-developed, thoughtful input to the KCCDA Executive Committee regarding, but not limited to, the following:

- Provide assistance to the Executive Committee when formulating public policy and help transform policy decisions into action.
- Address issues of interest or conduct background work on technical or politically sensitive issues.
- Serve as a conduit for public forums to build public consensus on controversial issues.
- Give the community a forum for discussion in greater depth than is possible at the Board of Directors.
- Provide a more thorough review of complex and significant matters than the Board of Directors may be able to give.
- Provide public expertise without expending budget money.

GROUP MEMBERS

Citizen Ad Hoc Group membership shall be comprised of the following members selected by the respective agency:

- ONE member of the Board of Directors (serves as Facilitator for the Ad Hoc Group) selected by the Chairperson of the Board of Directors.
- ONE citizen/resident from the City of Kalamazoo selected by the Mayor of the City of Kalamazoo.
- ONE citizen/resident from the City of Portage selected by the Mayor of the City of Portage.
- ONE citizen/resident from the Township of Kalamazoo selected by the Township Manager.
- THREE citizens/residents from municipalities not already represented selected by the Chairperson of the Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners.

The selection of members shall be the individual decision of each respective agency and may remove its member at will. All members shall serve without compensation.