KENTUCKY FILM LEADERSHIP COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026
MINUTES

A meeting of the Kentucky Film Leadership Council (KLFC) convened on Wednesday, October 21, 2026, through both in person attendance and video conference. The primary location for the meeting where all members could be seen and heard and the public was able to attend in accordance with KRS 61.826 and 61.840 was the Hearing Room, 133CE, at 500 Mero Street, Mayo-Underwood Bldg., 5th Fl, Frankfort, Kentucky. While participants, media and members of the public were able to attend the council meeting in person at the primary location, space was limited, and attendees were encouraged to join the meeting virtually and provided a link for a video teleconference.

CALL TO ORDER

Soozie Eastman, Chair of KFLC, called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m. and verified press notification.

ROLL CALL

Danielle Franklin called the roll.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Soozie Eastman, Secretary Jeff Noel, Secretary Lindy Casebier, Secretary Jamie Link, and Jeremy Winton

MEMBERS ABSENT

Misdee Wrigley Miller and Steve Zahn

STAFF PRESENT

Tim Bates, Hayleigh Burrows, Jeanne Darby, Breanna Dolan, Danielle Dunmire, Eric Estill, Meg Fister, Danielle Franklin, Joseph Gearon, Cora Kirby, Marilyn LeBourveau, Blake Melchert, Nasim Moula, Andrew Osborne, Cody Pennington, McKenna Schrage, Kayla Smith, Emma Spicer, Kelli Thomas, Lizzy Woodcock, Ashiq Zaman, and Chad Zimlich

OTHERS PRESENT

Mary Jackson, Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education; Leeni Marshall, The Long Run Movie LLC; Daniel Hall & Valerie Bruce, Firebrand Productions, LLC; Gi Gonzales, Eric Michael Kochmer, & Nate Lipp, Bob Productions LLC; Marc Clebanoff & Brandon Menchen, Oscar Shaw 2 Film LLC; Kristi Kilday; Pierre Romain, Julie Romain, George Maranville, & David Cottingham, Singleton 378 LLC; Stephen Wolsh, More Brains LLC; Andrea Ahl; Lisa Brin, FilmLEX; Bryan Houston; Sarah Van Wallaghen, The Rotunda Group LLC; Melissa O. Bowen

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was introduced by Secretary Jamie Link to approve the minutes of the Kentucky Film Leadership Council meeting held on September 16, 2026. The motion was seconded by Chair Soozie Eastman. The motion passed without opposition.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Joseph Gearon provided a report on the continued efforts of the Kentucky Film Office.

MONITORING REPORT

Joseph Gearon provided the monitoring report of the calendar year activity for the KEI projects.

NEW BUSINESS

The following projects were presented for consideration by the KFLC:

1. Bob Productions LLC, Bourbon and Fayette counties, presented by Breanna Dolan

A representative from the project attended virtually for project discussion.

Secretary Jeff Noel made a motion to approve this project with a second by Chair Soozie Eastman. The motion passed without opposition.

2. Firebrand Productions, LLC, Jefferson County, presented by Tim Bates

A representative from the project attended virtually for project discussion.

Secretary Jamie Link made a motion to approve this project with a second by Secretary Jeff Noel. The motion passed without opposition.

3. Oscar Shaw 2 Film LLC, Jefferson County, presented by Hayleigh Burrows

A representative from the project attended virtually for project discussion.

Secretary Jeff Noel made a motion to approve this project with a second by Jeremy Winton. The motion passed without opposition.

Jeremy Winton disclosed an interest in Rear Ended Episodes E3-E5 LLC. In accordance with the KFLC bylaws, Mr. Winton refrained from participating in discussions related to the project and was placed in the virtual "waiting room" on Zoom during discussion.

4. Rear Ended Episodes E3-E5 LLC, Hopkins County, presented by Cora Kirby

A representative from the project attended virtually for project discussion.

Secretary Jamie Link made a motion to approve this project with a second by Chair Soozie Eastman. The motion passed without opposition.

Jeremy Winton returned to the meeting to discuss the following projects.

5. Singleton 378 LLC, Fayette County, presented by Cody Pennington

A representative from the project attended virtually for project discussion.

Secretary Jeff Noel made a motion to approve this project with a second by Chair Soozie Eastman. The motion passed without opposition.

6. The Long Run Movie LLC, Jefferson County, presented by Kelli Thomas

A representative from the project attended virtually for project discussion.

Secretary Jamie Link made a motion to approve this project with a second by Chair Soozie Eastman. The motion passed without opposition.

7. More Brains LLC, Bourbon, Clark, Fayette, Jefferson, Jessamine, Lincoln, Oldham, and Washington counties, presented by Kelli Thomas

A representative from the project attended virtually for project discussion.

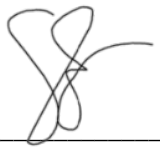
Secretary Jeff Noel made a motion to approve this project with a second by Chair Soozie Eastman. The motion passed without opposition.

The KFLC's next regular scheduled meeting is Wednesday, December 9, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

Secretary Jamie Link made a motion to adjourn with a second by Chair Soozie Eastman. The motion passed without opposition.

The meeting adjourned at 11:24 a.m.



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Soozie Eastman, Chair
Kentucky Film Leadership Council