

**Minutes**  
**Missouri Technology Corporation**  
**Investment Committee**  
**Thursday, January 4, 2024**

The Investment Committee (the “Investment Committee”) of the Missouri Technology Corporation (the “MTC”) met in a regular session on Thursday, January 4, 2024, beginning at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held by conference call.

Members of the Investment Committee:

Kathryn Allen	Chair – present
Dr. Tim Faley	Vice-Chair - absent
Dan Cobb	Member – present
Erv Switzer	Member - present

Staff and Counsel participating:

Jack Scatizzi	Executive Director
Nate Marschalk	MTC Staff
Jenni Rabenau	MTC Staff
Amy Steinman	MTC Staff

Guests Present (for portions of the meeting):

39 North AgTech Innovation District – Emily Lohse-Busch  
Missouri Innovation Center - Quinten Messbarger & Dr. Sheila Baker  
T-REX – Dr. Patricia Hagen & Justin Donathan  
University of Missouri Kansas City (UMKC) – Innovation Center – Maria Meyers & Jill Meyer  
BioNexus KC – Maria Flynn, Dennis Ridenour, & Dick Flanigan  
Cortex – Brian Russell, Gabriela Ramirez-Arellano & Frank Hopper from Capital Innovators  
Danforth Plant Science Center – Elliott Kellner  
Missouri State University - efactory – Rachel Anderson  
Codefi Foundation on Rural MO – Chris Carnell  
LaunchKC – Becca Castro, Tommy Wilson, & Jim Erickson

**WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:**

Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and established a quorum with three members present, including Mr. Switzer, Mr. Cobb, and Chair Allen.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Chair Allen requested the approval of the minutes of the Investment Committee meeting held on October 17, 2023, which had been distributed prior to the meeting. On a motion by Mr. Cobb, seconded by Mr. Switzer, the following resolution was unanimously approved:

**RESOLVED**, the Investment Committee hereby approves the minutes of the October 17, 2023, Investment Committee meeting as presented.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

On a motion by Mr. Cobb, seconded by Mr. Switzer, the following resolution was approved by roll call vote:

**RESOLVED**, the Investment Committee hereby approves entering into Closed Session at 9:32 a.m. pursuant to Sections 610.021 (12), (14) and (15) RSMo.

Chair Allen	aye
Mr. Cobb	aye
Mr. Switzer	aye

**REVIEW OF MISSOURI BUILDING ENTREPRENEURIAL CAPACITY PROGRAM APPLICATIONS:**

Chair Allen recused herself from all discussions and exited the Closed Session between 11:45 a.m. and 1:20 p.m. due to the potential conflicts of interest with the grant applicants being discussed at that time: UMKC Innovation Center, BioNexus KC, Cortex, Danforth Plant Science Center, which are current clients of Chair Allen’s law firm, though Chair. Allen noted that she has not directly involved in any representation at this time. Mr. Cobb chaired the meeting while Chair Allen was gone.

Mr. Switzer recused himself from all discussions and exited the Closed Session between 11:45 a.m. and 12:05 p.m. due to the potential conflicts of interest with the grant applicant being discussed at that time: UMKC Innovation Center, which is a current client of Mr. Switzer’s law firm, though Mr. Switzer noted that he has not directly involved in any representation at this time.

Mr. Cobb recused himself from all discussions, and exited the closed session between 1:50 p.m. and 2:10 p.m., due to the following potential conflicts of interest with the grant applicant being discussed at that time: Missouri State University due to Mr. Cobb’s service as a board member of Springfield Innovation, which is affiliated with Missouri State University.

The following resolution was moved by Mr. Cobb, seconded by Mr. Switzer, and approved by roll call vote:

**RESOLVED**, the Investment Committee hereby reconvenes from Closed Session at 3:47 p.m.

Chair Allen	aye
Mr. Cobb	aye
Mr. Switzer	aye

Upon exiting Closed Session, Chair Allen reported that the Investment Committee took no action after a discussion confined to the matters included in the agenda

**NEW BUSINESS:** none

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Having no further business on the agenda, and on a motion by Mr. Cobb and seconded by Mr. Switzer, the meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.