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## AGENDA

APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2024 – 10:30 AM  
APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS OFFICES  
WITH A ZOOM OPTION

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Meeting ID: 889 9240 3593 - Passcode: 450706 - Dial-In Number (309) 205 3325

### 10:30

- I. Call to Order – Rep. Neal Collins, Chairman
  - A. Invocation
  - B. Introduction of Guests
  - C. Approval of August 23, 2024, Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)
  - D. June 30, 2024, and August 31, 2024, Financial Statements [**Information Only**] (Section 2, Board Packet)

### 10:35

- II. National Award Presentation to ACOG – Rep. Neal Collins, Chairman

### 10:40

- III. Presentation to Family in Honor of Dennis Claramunt – Rep. Neal Collins, Chairman,

### 10:45

- IV. International Transportation Innovation Center (ITIC) – Ms. Liz Griffith, Chief Operations Officer (Section 3, Board Packet)

Briefing: Ms. Griffith will discuss ITIC, an independent, non-profit proving ground for automotive OEMs, suppliers, technology providers and research universities to test and validate mobility innovations. ITIC is headquartered in Greenville at the SC Technology & Aviation Center (SCTAC) and offers a multi-configuration test bed capable of serving multiple customers at once. It is gaining a reputation as one of the most popular and reliable test beds for commercial vehicles in the U.S.



**11:15**

**V. American Flood Coalition – Mr. Tony McEwen, Carolinas Director (Section 4, Board Packet)**

Briefing: The American Flood Coalition is a nonpartisan coalition that advances solutions that support and protect flood-affected communities. Mr. McEwen will provide the board with an overview of the organization and its current initiatives in the Carolinas.

**11:40**

**VI. ACOG Employee Recruitment– Mr. Steve Pelissier, Executive Director**

Briefing: In response to a discussion from the Executive Committee Retreat, Mr. Pelissier will update the board on ACOG's strategies for improving diversity in employee recruitment, interviewing, and hiring.

**11:50**

**VII. Executive Director Report – Mr. Steve Pelissier, Executive Director**

**11:55**

**VIII. Member Updates – Rep. Neal Collins, Chairman**

Briefing: Board members will report on items of interest from their communities.

**12:00**

**IX. Adjourn**