

**Name of Committee:** Town & Gown

Chair: Lisa Karlin and Melissa Dixon

**Description:** (Description of Committee):

The current mission of the committee is to strengthen the relationship between Fort Hays State University and the City of Hays. In the coming year, we plan to work on revamping the mission, as the relationship involves more than just these two entities.

**Key (Academic Year) Accomplishments**

- Restructured committee – new co-chairs appointed and membership roster amended
- Participated in Transformational Relationship Evaluation Scale II (TRES II) research study with Dr. Lori Kniffin, Leadership Studies faculty member, to reflect on current relationships and desired goals – spring meetings used for this purpose
  - Will use information discussed in TRES II study to refine committee purpose and objectives
- Identified committee members to attend the International Town & Gown Association (ITGA) annual conference in June to gather ideas and information
- Raised awareness among committee members of ITGA website and resources
- Applied for and accepted to participate in K-State Research and Extension’s First Impressions program – will participate in exchange visit with Kearney, Nebraska, to share and gain valuable information about impressions of each other’s community
- Shared updates on campus and community events and initiatives

**Committee Members:**

Collin Bielser  
Scott Cason  
Emma Day  
Melissa Dixon  
Lisa Karlin  
Eddie McCracken  
Brett Meyer  
Hugo Perez  
Julie Rider  
Don Scheibler  
Carol Solko-Olliff  
Sarah Wasinger  
Doug Williams