W. Dustin Boatwright was appointed to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission on September 28, 2020 by Governor Michael L. Parson. His term expires March 1, 2025.

Boatwright is a lifelong resident of southeast Missouri and a third-generation employee of The Little River Drainage District (LRDD). Boatwright serves as the Chief Engineer/Executive Vice President with the responsibility of operation and maintenance of the largest levee and drainage infrastructure footprint in the United States. The Little River Drainage District is an integral part of the St. Francis Basin portion of the Mississippi River and Tributaries (MR&T) project providing protection and productive use of 5.5 Million acres of alluvial landscape in Southeast Missouri and Northeast Arkansas.

Boatwright is a graduate of the Missouri University of Science and Technology (Formerly the University of Missouri-Rolla) with a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in Civil Engineering.

Boatwright is registered in the State of Missouri as a Professional Engineer and a Licensed Surveyor In-Training. He currently serves as a Regional Engineer for the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association, on the Board of Directors for the National Waterways Conference, and on the Advisory Board of the Fisher Delta Research Center.

Dustin and his wife Amanda have two little girls, Emersyn Marie and Westyn Kate Boatwright.