

Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority Board of Directors  
Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 16, 2019  
6:30 p.m.  
Ann Arbor District Library, 343 South Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Present: Sue Gott, Roger Hewitt, Ryan Hunter, Jesse Miller, Kathleen Mozak-Betts,  
Kyra Sims (Acting Chair)

Chairwoman Kyra Sims called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1) Opening Items

1. Approve Agenda

Chairwoman Sims requested that the Board discuss the Plan of Work as part of the monitoring reports and combine the discussion on Ownership Linkage and the Finance Committee report, both to be given by Mr. Miller.

Roger Hewitt moved to approve the agenda as amended with support from Sue Gott. Ms. Mozak-Betts noted that the report on LAC should be coming from Cheryl Weber. Mr. Hewitt moved to accept the agenda as modified with support from Ms. Gott.

On a voice vote Chairwoman Sims declared the motion carried.

2. Appoint Acting Secretary

Chairwoman Sims appointed Jesse Miller Acting Secretary.

3. Public Comment

Leon Bryson commented on a recent experience he had where the bus he was riding broke down and he was asked to pay another fare when the new bus arrived. Mr. Bryson inquired about the policy.

CEO Matt Carpenter made a commitment to follow-up with Mr. Bryson.

Larry Krieg commented on the appointment of Ryan Hunter, the new representative to the AAATA Board from the Charter Township of Ypsilanti.

4. General Announcements: Ryan Hunter Introduction

Ms. Sims welcomed Mr. Hunter who shared details of his background.

2) Consent Agenda: Minutes

Roger Hewitt moved approval of the Consent Item, seconded by Jesse Miller. On a voice vote, Chairwoman Sims declared the motion carried.

3) Board Education: New Mobility: Scott Shogan, Vice President of WSP

Mr. Shogan made a presentation on The Age of Vehicle Automation: Opportunities for Transit Providers; highlights included:

- Timeline for Driverless Vehicles
- Curve of Innovation
- Mobility as a Service Paradigm: Affordability, Accessibility, Efficiency
- Continued Growth Rate of Travel Demand
- Changes in Travel Behavior
- Physical Street Space
- Mobility for the Disadvantaged Population
- Mobility as a Service
- Shared Mobility Pilots
- Parking Transition

Board members commented, and Mr. Shogan responded to questions on the following topics:

- Integrating different modes of transportation into one system with public transportation as the leading entity
- BRT as an option
- Driverless vehicles as a last mile alternative
- Theories about reducing congestion
- Safety
- The local transit agency as part of an overall ecosystem vs. traditional view of public transportation
- Pilot partnerships and integration with emerging transportation modes

#### 4) Policy Monitoring and Development

##### 1. Committee Reports

###### 1. Governance Committee

###### a. Retreat Planning

Chairwoman Sims made a report on behalf of the Governance Committee; particularly: monitoring reports 3.1, 3.6, and 3.7; Raymond Hess was appointed to the Board by Ann Arbor City Council and expected to attend the June 6 Board Retreat; Board Officer roles. Chairwoman Sims reviewed the June 6 Board Retreat agenda.

###### 2. Finance Committee

Mr. Miller made a report on behalf of the Finance Committee; particularly: a meeting between the Ownership Linkage Committee and officials from the City of Ypsilanti. The Committee received a presentation on the Fare Study Part II.

###### 3. Service Committee

Mr. Hewitt made a report on behalf of the Service Committee; particularly: receipt of a presentation on the Paratransit Study Part I, review of the Q2 Service Report and the Long-Range Planning Process. The Committee discussed

handling Means questions within the Policy Governance framework without subverting the process of policy governance.

2. Monitoring Reports: 3.1, 3.6, 3.7  
The results of the monitoring reports were submitted to the Board the day prior to the Board meeting.
  3. Other Board Reports & Ownership Linkages
    1. Local Advisory Council  
Mr. Carpenter reported that he asked LAC to reschedule their meeting so that LAC meeting minutes can be completed to be included in the monthly Board packet.
- 5) Strategy and Operational Updates: CEO
1. Fare Study Part II  
CFO John Metzinger made a presentation on the Fare Study Part II. Board members commented; Mr. Metzinger and Mr. Carpenter responded to questions.
  2. Paratransit Study Part I  
Deputy CEO, Operations Bryan Smith made a presentation on Paratransit Study Part I. Board members commented; Mr. Smith and Mr. Carpenter responded to questions.
  3. Q2 Service Report  
Mr. Smith referred to the Q2 Service Report clarifying how road calls are reported.
  4. Q2 Finance Report (Deferred)  
CEO Matt Carpenter asked that the Q2 Finance Report be deferred to June.
  5. CEO Report  
Mr. Carpenter reported on the level of participation in the recent survey of staff; nearly double from last year's rate. Mr. Miller commended AAATA on their participation in the Commuter Challenge.
- 6) Emergent Business  
None.
- 7) Closed Session  
Closed Session under the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCLA 15.268, (d) re: Real Estate  
A motion was made by Jesse Miller, support from Roger Hewitt to adjourn to Closed Session. The motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote. The Closed Session commenced at 8:35 p.m.

Roger Hewitt moved to adjourn the Closed Session with support from Sue Gott. The motion carried unanimously, and the Closed Session adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

8) Closing Items

1. Topics for Next Meeting

- Paratransit II
- Retreat Debrief
- Business Plan

2. Public Comment

None.

3. Board Assessment of Meeting

None.

4. Adjournment

A motion was made by Roger Hewitt, seconded by Jesse Miller, that the meeting adjourn. On a voice vote, Chairwoman Sims declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Jesse Miller

Acting Secretary, AAATA Board of Directors

Approved June 20, 2019