

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

January 14, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority held a meeting on January 14, 2016 at 2:17 p.m. in the Board Room on the 6th Floor of the MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

Board Members Present

Roberta Abdul-Salaam
Juanita Jones Abernathy
Robert L. Ashe III
Robert F. Dallas
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.
Roderick E. Edmond
Jerry Griffin
Freda B. Hardage
Christopher Tomlinson

MARTA officials in attendance were: General Manager/CEO Keith T. Parker, AICP; C-Suite Team Members – Chief Operating Officer Richard A. Krisak, Chief of Staff Rukiya S. Thomas, Chief Administrative Officer Edward Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Gordon Hutchinson, Chief Legal Counsel Elizabeth O'Neill; AGMs Elayne Berry (Acting), Wanda Dunham, Ming Hsi, Benjamin Limmer and Ryland McClendon; Executive Director Joyce Brown (Acting); Directors Lisa DeGrace, Jonathan Hunt, Jennifer Jinadu-Wright; Knox O'Callaghan and William Taylor; Managers Jacquelyn Bentley (Acting) and Donna DeJesus; Manager Executive Office Administration Tyrene Huff; Sr. Executive Administrator to MARTA Board Kellee McDaniel; Finance Administrative Analyst Tracy Kincaid. Others in attendance Carlos Arrietta, Abebe Girmay, Nicholas Gowens, Carlos James, Courtne Middlebrooks, LaTonya Pope and Toni Thornton.

Also in attendance were Charles Pursley, Jr. of Pursley Friese Torgrimson, LLP; John Evan of DeKalb NAACP; Gail Franklin of SRTA; Steve Hausler of Archer-Western; John Jones of Wheat Street Baptist Church & Concerned Black Clergy; Nathan Knight of DeKalb SCLC; Scott Leavitt; Randall Mangem; Todd Nevill of Cubic; JoAnna Smith.

Public Comment

Mr. John Evans. Expressed concern about the I-20 Corridor. Stated that DeKalb County has asked for an extension for years. The past studies have relegated the Corridor to last. The DeKalb NAACP will take a position on this issue.

Public Comment (con't)

Mr. Nathan Knight. Patrons should be able to use the restrooms in MARTA stations. As President of SCLC DeKalb, members will work diligently on this issue. This is a human concern. Where is the dignity – where is the respect.

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Chairman Ashe acknowledged and welcomed former Representative Mangem.

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Minutes of the December 10, 2015 Meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors

On motion by Dr. Edmond seconded by Mr. Daniels, the minutes were approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 9 members present.

Planning and External Relations Committee Report

Mrs. Hardage reported that the Planning and External Relations Committee met on December 10, 2015 and received the following briefings:

- a) Title VI Fare Equity Analysis
- b) Bus Shelters
- c) Transit Advertising

Operations & Safety Committee Report

Dr. Edmond reported that the Operations & Safety Committee met on December 17, 2015 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for the Procurement of Non-Revenue Police Replacement Vehicles, RFP P36662
- b. Resolution Authorizing Rejection of the Single Bid Received for Hamilton Facility Renovations, CP B28228

On motion by Dr. Edmond seconded by Mr. Daniels, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 9 members present. **A copy of the resolutions, AS APPROVED, ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

Business Management Committee Report

Mr. Daniels reported that the Business Management Committee met on November 30, 2015 and approved the following resolution:

- a. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for the Procurement of MARTA Police Department Uniforms and Equipment – Group 3, Contract Number B34185A

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Dr. Edmond, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 9 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

Resolution Authorizing the Filing of a Grant Application for State of Georgia Go! Transit Capital Program Funding

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Mrs. Abdul-Salaam, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 9 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

Addition to the Agenda

Resolution Authorizing a Merit Increase and Performance Compensation to the General Manager/Chief Executive Officer

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Mrs. Hardage, the Board unanimously agreed to add the resolution to the Agenda by a vote of 9 to 0, with 9 members present.

On motion by Mrs. Abernathy seconded by Mrs. Hardage, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 9 members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

Mr. Parker thanked the Board.

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Other Matters

Mr. Parker thanked staff for their roles in helping to organize a very successful State of MARTA event. Over 250 people attended the standing-room-only event. The community turned out to hear about the Authority's accomplishments and a definition of MARTA's future. He thanked everyone for a very successful event. Special thanks were given to the Planning Committee - Rukiya Thomas, Saba Long, Jennifer Jinadu-Wright, Joseph Dorsey, et al.

Comments from the Board

Chairman Ashe announced that today was Mr. Pursley's last day as Board Counsel. He thanked Mr. Pursley for his many years of dedicated service to the MARTA Board of Directors. He noted that a more formal presentation would come at a later date.

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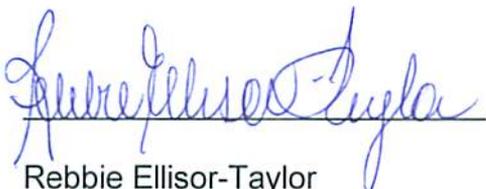
Ms. Abdul-Salaam announced that Clayton County was invited to participate in the MLK, Jr. Parade

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Adjournment

The meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rebbie Ellisor-Taylor
Assistant Secretary to the Board