

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

February 4, 2016

The Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority held a meeting on February 4, 2016 at 1:34 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
Robert L. Ashe III
Robert F. Dallas
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.
Jim Durrett
Roderick E. Edmond
Jerry Griffin
Freda B. Hardage
Russell McMurry*
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, Robin Henry, Ming Hsi, Benjamin Limmer, Ryland McClendon and David Springstead (Acting); Executive Director Ferdinand Risco; Sr. Director Kevin Hurley; Directors Joseph Dorsey, Lyle Harris, Jonathan Hunt, Remy Saintil and Richard Slaton; Managers Donna DeJesus and Alisa Jackson; Executive Office Administration Tyrene Huff; Sr. Executive Administrator to MARTA Board Kellee McDaniel; Finance Administrative Analyst Tracy Kincaid. Others in attendance Japanica Adiste, Ramona Aiken, Davis Allen, Kelly Barraza, Solanke Bomani, Abebe Girmay, Nicholas Gowens, Kevin Gotell, Aston T. Green, Louis Grisoglio, Tony Henderson, Eddie D. Hicks, May McClarin, Courtne Middlebrooks, Annie Parks, Dynelsha Perans, Terrence Smartt, JoAnna Smith, Michael Wyatt.

Also in attendance were Robert S. Highsmith, Jr., Holland & Knight LLP; Howard Felli of Fulton/TVG; George Frashlis of Pond & Co.; Jonathan Jones of City of Forest Park; Todd Nevill of Cubic; Rose M. Parker; Chioke Perry; Jim Schmidt of HNTB; Andrea Simmons of *The AJC*; Bob Titus of NPU-W.

* **Russell McMurry is Commissioner Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) and is therefore a non-voting member of the MARTA Board of Directors**

Public Comment

Mr. Bob Titus. Addressed the Board of Directors regarding I-20 East, Moreland Avenue Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), Memorial Drive Corridor and circulator routes for southeast Atlanta.

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On motion by Mrs. Hardage seconded by Mr. Griffin, the minutes were approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 10* members present.

Planning and External Relations Committee Report

Mr. Durrett reported that the Planning and External Relations Committee met on January 14, 2016 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution Authorizing Approval of 2016-2019 Title VI Program
- b. Resolution Authorizing Award of a Contract for On-Board Audio Advertising, RFP P32723

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mrs. Hardage, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 10* members present. **A copy of the resolutions, AS APPROVED, ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

The Committee received the following briefings:

- a) MARTA 2017-2019 Title VI Program
- b) Passenger Environment Survey (PES)
- c) Bus Modifications for the April 16, 2016 Mark-Up

Operations & Safety Committee Report

Dr. Edmond reported that the Operations & Safety Committee met on January 28, 2016 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution to Accept the Contract for Project B21335, Traction Power Substation SS1 Equipment Replacement – South Line/Harold Sheats

- b. Resolution Authorizing the Service Modifications for the April 16, 2016 Mark-Up on Routes 9, 24, 34, 73, 86, 99, 140 143, 172 and 185

On motion by Dr. Edmond seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 10* members present. A copy of the resolutions, **AS APPROVED, ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

The Committee received the following briefings:

- a) Georgia Department of Transportation – Three Year On-Site Safety Review Tunnel Ventilation System Assessment and 2015 FTA TSO Audit
- b) LED Lighting Upgrade Program
- c) Results of the Public Hearings for Fare Policy and April Modifications
- d) Proposed Service Modifications for the April 16, 2016 Mark-Up on Routes 9, 24, 34, 73, 86, 99, 140, 143, 172 and 185

Business Management Committee Report

Mr. Daniels reported that the Business Management Committee met on January 28, 2016 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution to Approve the Sale of MARTA Parcel D4076 Located at the Southwest Corner of Whitehall Street and Cooper Street, Atlanta, Fulton County, Georgia, Contract Number P37109
- b. Resolution Authorizing Termination of Contract Number P24348, Audio Visual Information System Upgrade (AVIS)
- c. Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for the Upgrade of the Public Address System, RFP P37171 and for the Upgrade of Rail Stations Electronic Signage, RFP P37176
- d. Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for Authority-Wide Energy Savings Performance Contracting Services, RFP P37274

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Mr. Dallas, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 10* members present. A copy of the resolutions, **AS APPROVED, ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

The Committee received the following briefing:

a) **FY 2016 November Budget Variance Analysis and Performance Indicators**
Resolution Authorizing the Amendment of the Authority's Customer Code of Conduct

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mr. Dallas, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 10* 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 Sale of 2007B Refunding Bonds

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mrs. Hardage, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 9 to 0, with 10* members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

Other Matters

Mr. Parker introduced the new AGM of Planning, Benjamin Limmer.

Comments from the Board

Mr. Daniels announced that GM/CEO Parked has agreed to speak at the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce meeting on February 18, 2016.

Mr. Dallas said the Oglethorpe TOD meeting was a packed house. He commended Sr. Director of TOD & Real Estate Amanda Rhein for a job well done.

Ms. Abdul-Salaam acknowledged and welcomed Forest Park's Deputy Director of Planning Jonathan Jones

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Adjournment

The meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebbie Ellisor-Taylor
Assistant Secretary to the Board