

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF: Regular Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Tuesday, October 19th, 2021 6:00 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Alyson Beridon, Heidi Black, Chelsea Clark, Brendon Cull, Blake Ethridge, Kreg Keesee, Robert Harris, Roderick Hinton, Gwen Robinson, Sonja Taylor,

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Maurice Brown, Allen Freeman, Thaddeus Hoffmeister, Larry Thompson, and Kathleen Wyenandt

STAFF MEMBERS: Darryl Haley, Donna Adkins, Steve Anderson, Chris Cole, Pat Giblin, Adriene Hairston, Jennifer Jackson, Brandy Jones, Caprice Jones, Natalie Krusling, Jeff Mundstock, John Ravasio, Cindy Resor, Mark Samaan, Shannel Satterfield, and Khaled Shammout

OTHERS: Kim Schafer (Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease, LLC)

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Keesee SORTA Board Vice Chair, called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

CEO STAR Award: Mary Moning

CEO/General Manager, Darryl Haley presented the CEO STAR Award: *"In her 34 years, Mary has served in many roles including Programmer Analyst, Programmer, Systems Analyst, Project Manager, Interim Access Service Manager, Director of Paratransit Services, Director of ADA/Accessible Services, Chief Operating Officer, Executive Director of Administration, Vice President of Strategic Management, and her final role as Director of Procurement. Thank you for service and enjoy your retirement. "*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 21st, 2021 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Clark made a motion that the minutes of the September 21st, 2021 board meeting be approved as previously mailed and Mr. Ethridge seconded the motion.

By voice vote, the SORTA Board approved the minutes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Ms. Black reported the Finance Committee meeting that was held on October 12th, 2021 and there were item(s) to present for Board approval.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2021-29: APPROVAL OF 2022 HEALTHCARE PLAN

Ms. Black moved for adoption and Mr. Hinton seconded the motion. This resolution approves a one (1) year contracts with United Healthcare, Inc. (UHC) at a cost of \$42,905 for healthcare and \$566,781 for stop loss, and Enrollment Management Services at a cost of \$80,000.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the Resolution No. 2021-29.

PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Ethridge reported the Planning and Operations Committee meeting that was held on October 12th, 2021 and there were item(s) to present for Board approval.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2021-30: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR GARAGE DOOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Mr. Ethridge moved for adoption and Ms. Clark seconded the motion. This resolution approves a three (3) year contract with Bushelman Supply Company for property maintenance, garage door preventative maintenance and repairs for at a total cost not to exceed \$157,170.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the Resolution No. 2021-30.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2021-31: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR MICROSOFT ENTERPRISE LICENSING

Mr. Ethridge moved for adoption and Ms. Clark seconded the motion. This resolution approves a contract Dell, Inc. for Microsoft Enterprise Licensing at a total cost not exceed \$486,519.

By roll call, the SORTA Board approved the Resolution No. 2021-31.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Ms. Robinson reported the Employee Relations Committee meeting that was held on October 12th, 2021 and there were no action items to present for Board approval.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

Ms. Hairston present a brief overview of the Employee Relations Presentation that was review at the Employee Relations Committee. This presentation contained a recruiting campaign briefing and strategy, operator applications data, operator separations data, and recruiting trends.

The SORTA Board accepted the report as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR SETEMBER 2021

Ms. Resor presented the September financial reports. Total revenues were \$12.2 million, which is favorable to budget by \$1.9 million. Total expenses were \$9.7 million, which is favorable to budget by \$608,000 or 5.9%. Fare revenue was unfavorable to budget by \$362,000. Ms. Resor then reviewed the contributing factors to these variances.

The Board accepted the report as presented.

METRO ON THE MOVE REPORT

Mr. Haley provided a briefing report of Metro on the Move. The report included Mobility on-Demand, Vax for Cash, service change public meeting, and Honoring our Veterans. He then concluded his report.

The SORTA Board accepted the report as presented.

NEW BUSNISS

Mr. Keesee made a motion that the Board go into Executive Session as provided in O.R.C. Executive Session: "*Section 121.22(G)(3) Conferences with an attorney for the public body concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action*" and Mr. Ethridge seconded the motion. By roll call vote the Board approved the motion and went into Executive Session at

7:00 P.M. Mr. Keesee made a motion that the Board return to regular session and Ms. Black seconded the motion. By voice vote the Board approved the motion and returned to regular session at 8:15 P.M.

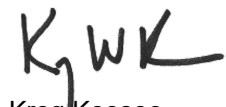
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

NEXT MEETING

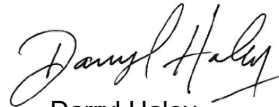
The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees is scheduled for **November 16th, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.**,
the SORTA/Metro Board Room, at 525 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

APPROVED:



Kreg Keesee
Chair, SORTA Board

ATTESTED:



Darryl Haley
CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer