MINUTES OF: Regular Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Tuesday, October 8th, 9:30 A.M.
SORTA/ Metro
602 Main Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Heidi Black, Brendon Cull, Blake Ethridge, Allen Freeman, Roderick Hinton, Kreg Keesee, Gwen Robinson, Pete McLinden, Mary Miller and Kathleen Wyenandt

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Maurice Brown, Robert Harris, and Thaddeus Hoffmeister

STAFF MEMBERS: Darryl Haley, Donna Adkins, Vickie Barker, Patrick Giblin, Paul Grether, Adriene Hairston, Mark Huller, Michelle Jeng, Brandy Jones, Caprice Jones, Maria Jones, Mark McEwan, Matt Moorman, Cindy Resor, Shannel Satterfield and Khaled Shammout

OTHERS: Troy Miller (ATU) and Marylin Wall (Sierra Club)

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

VISION AND MISSION

SORTA’s vision and mission statements were recited.

HEARINGS FROM CITIZENS

Marylin Wall: Ms. Wall from the Sierra Club thanked the Board for their decision at the September meeting. She asked the Board to include infrastructure language in the ballot.

CHAIRMAN UPDATE

Mr. Keesee provided brief updates.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Miller made a motion that the minutes of the September 17th meeting be approved as previously mailed and Ms. Wyenandt seconded the motion. By voice vote, the Board approved the minutes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Ms. Black reported the Finance Committee meeting that was held on October 8th and there were items to present for Board approval.

Proposed Resolution No. 2019-26: Approval of Modifications to Paycor Contract

Mr. Cull moved for adoption and Ms. Robinson seconded the motion. This resolution authorizes a modified contract between Paycor and SORTA for additional services at a cost not to exceed $270,628, bringing the total contract amount to $920,637.

By roll call, the Board approved Resolution No. 2019-26.

PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Mr. Cull reported the Planning and Operations Committee meeting that was held on October 8th and there were items to present for Board approval.

Proposed Resolution No. 2019-27: Approval of Contract for Medical Exam Services

Mr. Cull moved for adoption and Ms. Robinson seconded the motion. This resolution approves a five (5) year contract with TriHealth Corporate Health to provide medical exams services, at a total cost not to exceed $575,126.
By roll call, the Board approved Resolution No. 2019-27.

**BRIEFING ITEMS**

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2019**

Ms. Jeng presented the September 2019 financial reports. Total revenues were $8.5 million, which is favorable to budget by $456,000. Total expenses were $8.3 million, which is unfavorable to budget by $35,000 or 0.4%. The final result was a net favorable variance of $82,000 for the month. Fare revenue was favorable to budget by $108,000. Ms. Jeng then reviewed the contributing factors to these variances.

She also presented the Cincinnati Bell Connector financial report for September 2019. Total revenues were $361,586 which is favorable to budget by $9,780 or 2%. Total expenses were $323,981 which is favorable to budget by $8,569 or 3%. The end result is a net favorable variance of $17,012 for the month. Ms. Jeng then reviewed the contributing factors to these variances.

**METRO ON THE MOVE**

Mr. Haley deferred his report; stating information was available in the Board books.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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. Hinton seconded the motion. By roll call vote the Board approved the motion and went into Executive Session at 9:45 A.M. Mr. Keesee made a motion that the Board return to regular session and Mr. Hinton seconded the motion. By voice vote the Board approved the motion and returned to regular session at 10:00 A.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees is scheduled for **November 19th, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.**, the SORTA/Metro Board Room, 602 Main Street, Suite 1200, Cincinnati, Ohio.

**APPROVED:**

Kreg Keesee  
Chair, SORTA Board

**ATTESTED:**

Darryl Haley  
Interim CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer