

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF: Special Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Tuesday, April 21st, 2020 10:00 A.M.
MEETING HELD VIA GO-TO-MEETING

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

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Maurice Brown, Allen Freeman and Robert Harris

STAFF MEMBERS: Darryl Haley, Donna Adkins, Adriene Hairston, Michelle Jeng, Brandy Jones, Maria Jones, John Ravasio, Shannel Satterfield and Khaled Shammout

OTHERS:

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Keesee reported there were no public comments.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 18TH, 2020 BOARD MEETING AND APRIL 10TH, 2020 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Wyenandt made a motion that the minutes of the February 18th, 2020 board meeting be approved as previously mailed and Ms. Miller seconded the motion.

Mr. Cull made a motion that the minutes of the February 18th, 2020 board meeting be approved as previously mailed and Ms. Black seconded the motion.

By voice vote, the Board approved the minutes.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO 2020-07: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH MASABI TO PROCURE AND INSTALL ONBOARD ELECTRONIC FARE VALIDATORS

Mr. Cull moved for adoption and Ms. Miller seconded the motion. This resolution approves a three (3) year contract with Masabi, to procure and install onboard electronic fare validators, at a total cost not to exceed \$1,319,030 which includes warranty and EMV maintenance fees for year 2 and 3. By roll call, the Board approved the motion.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MARCH 31st, 2020

Ms. Jeng presented the March financial reports. Total revenues were \$7.3 million, which is unfavorable to budget by \$727,000. Total expenses were \$8.1 million, which is favorable to budget by \$350,000 or 4.1%. The final result was a net unfavorable variance of \$377,000 for the month. Fare revenue was unfavorable to budget by \$323,000. Ms. Jeng then reviewed the contributing factors to these variances.

The Board accepted the report as presented.

METRO ON THE MOVE REPORT

Mr. Haley presented the Metro on the Move Report. His report included highlights from various Metro departments who have stepped up to ensure our service continues operating safely for employees and our customers.

"But the light shines on two departments in particular. Transit Operations is our front line, employees out there every day making sure our customers can get where they need to go. They are truly heroes without capes. And Fleet Maintenance keeps our buses running; plus, they designed, fabricated and installed operator barriers on nearly 200 buses within a period of days when the City of Cincinnati asked us to resume fare collection. These barriers will help keep our operators safe from exposure, and we have heard from many peer transit agencies who want to copy our design for their own vehicles."

He then concluded his report and the Board accepted as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:21 A.M.

NEXT MEETING

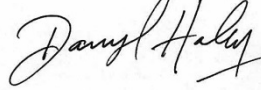
The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees is scheduled for **May 19th, 2020 at 10:00 A.M.**, the SORTA/Metro Board Room, at 525 Vine Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

APPROVED:



Kreg Keese
Chair, SORTA Board

ATTESTED:



Darryl Haley
CEO/General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer