

SORTA BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

FRIDAY, APRIL 10th, 2020 – 10:00 A.M
REMOTE MEETING HELD VIA GO-TO-MEETING

General Items:

Call to order
Pledge of Allegiance
Public Comments Review

Action Items:

1. Approval of Special Board Minutes: March 25th, 2020

Action Items Continued:

2. Proposed Motion: Approval to Rescind Fare Suspension Motion (*Darryl Haley*)

Other Items:

New Business

Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees is scheduled for
Tuesday, April 21st, 2020, 10:00 A.M

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF: Special Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Wednesday, March 25th, 2020 10:00 A.M.
City Hall- Chambers Hall
801 Plum Street
Cincinnati, OH 45202

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Maurice Brown, Brendon Cull, Blake Ethridge, Kreg Keesee, Pete McLinden, Mary Miller, Gwen Robinson and Kathleen Wyenandt

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Heidi Black, Allen Freeman, Robert Harris, Roderick Hinton, and Thaddeus Hoffmeister

STAFF MEMBERS: Darryl Haley, Donna Adkins, Adriene Hairston, Michelle Jeng, Maria Jones, John Ravasio, Shannel Satterfield and T.J Thorn

OTHERS: Troy Miller (ATU)

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.

CONRONA VIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

Mr. Haley discussed revenue and ridership declines and service changes due to corona virus (COVID-19).

MOTION: APPROVAL OF SERVICE CHANGES

Mr. McLinden moved for adoption and Mr. Brown seconded the motion. This motion approves a reduced service schedule beginning Sunday, March 29th, 2020 until further notice. SORTA will operate on a modified Saturday schedule from Monday through Saturday and continue regular Sunday service, with no changes to Access services.

By roll call, the Board approved the motion.

MOTION: APPROVAL OF FARE SUSPENSION

Mr. McLinden moved for adoption and Mr. Brown seconded the motion. This motion approves a temporary fare suspension due to Corona Virus (COVID-19) effective Sunday, March 29th, 2020 until further vote at each board meeting.

By roll call, the Board approved the motion.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees is scheduled for **April 21st, 2020 at 8:30 A.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

April 2020

ACTION ITEM –APPROVAL TO RESCIND FARE SUSPENSION MOTION

STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL / OBJECTIVE

- Sustainability

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the SORTA Board rescind the temporary fare suspension motion approved on March 25, 2020 and implement standard fare collections effective Sunday, April 12, 2020.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- These changes are being made in the interest of public health and safety to help protect transit employees and riders through social distancing.

BUSINESS PURPOSE

- Due to Corona Virus (COVID-19) a temporary fare suspension was implemented beginning March 29th, 2020 until further notice.
- Since implementation ridership has not declined and social distancing on buses is not being maintained.
- Additional means have been developed and efforts are underway to protect employees and passengers while collecting fares.

PROCUREMENT CONSIDERATIONS

- N/A

D/M/WBE CONSIDERATIONS

- N/A

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- N/A

SUBMITTED BY:



Darryl Haley
CEO/General Manager/Secretary- Treasurer