



Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District (MTD) Board of Trustees Meeting

MINUTES – Approved

DATE: Wednesday, July 26, 2023
TIME: 3:00 p.m.
PLACE: Illinois Terminal, 45 East University Avenue, Champaign, IL

The video of this meeting can be found at:
<https://www.youtube.com/CUMTD>

Trustees:

Present	Absent
Dick Barnes	
Margaret Chaplan (Vice-Chair)	
	Tomas Delgado
Bradley Diel (Chair)	
Phil Fiscella	
Bruce Hannon	
	Alan Nudo

Advisory Board:

Present	Absent
Maria McMullen	

MTD Staff: Karl Gnadt (Managing Director), Amy Snyder (Chief of Staff), Michelle Wright (Finance Director), Josh Berbaum (Maintenance/Facilities Director), Jay Rank (Operations Director), Ashlee McLaughlin (External Affairs), Brendan Sennett (Safety & Training Director), Ryan Blackman (Tech Services Director), Beth Brunk (Clerk)

Others Present:

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1. Call to Order
Chair Diel called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call
Present (5) – Barnes, Chaplan, Diel, Fiscella, Hannon
Absent (2) – Delgado, Nudo

A quorum was declared present.
3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to approve the agenda as distributed; seconded by Ms. Chaplan. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.
4. Audience Participation
None
5. Approval of Minutes
A. Board Meeting (Open Session) – June 28, 2023

MOTION by Mr. Hannon to approve the open session minutes of the June 28, 2023, MTD Board meeting as distributed; seconded by Ms. Chaplan. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.

6. Communications

Maria McMullen is attending the Board meetings as a University of Illinois Advisory Board representative. She is currently the Interim Director of Parking.

7. Reports

A. Managing Director

Mr. Gnadt reviewed the statistics for June 2023. June is traditionally the lowest ridership month since the University is not in session. While ridership continues to recover, it is still down about 19% from June 2019 (pre-pandemic). MTD currently provides about 80% of bus service due to the Operator shortage. Mr. Gnadt is hopeful that service will return to 100% by the end of the fiscal year.

Senator Durbin and staff from Congresswoman Budzinski held a press conference at the District announcing the \$6.6 million Low- and No-Emission grant award that MTD received for the purchase of ten diesel electric hybrid buses.

8. Action Items

A. Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes

MOTION by Ms. Chaplan that the minutes of the closed session meetings of the Board listed on "Attachment 1" marked "Release" no longer require confidential treatment and are ordered released; and that the need for confidentiality still exists as to the minutes of the closed session meetings of the Board listed on "Attachment 2" marked "Remain Confidential"; and the verbatim recordings of the following listed closed session minutes on "Attachment 3", all of which are not less than 18 months old and the written minutes of which have been approved, are authorized to be destroyed; seconded by Mr. Fiscella. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.

B. Disaster Recovery Site Hardware

In the case of a large-scale disaster such as fire or a tornado, the District would need a secondary location to house the technology hardware necessary to operate MTD's daily functions like bus communications, dispatch, payroll, etc. The mirrored back-up servers would initially be at Maintenance with a long-term plan to move them to a site further away such as Illinois Terminal or a co-location housed in a data center.

MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to authorize the Managing Director to execute two purchase orders to Insight Technologies for \$46,499.80 and to Connection Public Sector Solutions for \$190,793.87 to purchase new technology hardware for a disaster recovery site; seconded by Ms. Chaplan. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.

9. Next Meeting

- A. Regular Board of Trustees Meeting – Wednesday, August 30, 2023 – 3:00 p.m. at Illinois Terminal – 45 East University Avenue, Champaign

10. Adjournment

MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Ms. Chaplan. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.


Mr. Diel adjourned the meeting at 3:27 p.m.

Submitted by:



Clerk

Approved 8-30-2023:



Board of Trustees Chair