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

MINUTES - SUBJECT TO REVIEW AND APPROVAL

DATE

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

8 TIME:

3:00 p.m.

PLACE:

Illinois Terminal, 45 East University Avenue, Champaign, IL

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The video of this meeting can be found at:

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Trustees:

Present	Absent
Dick Barnes	
	Tomas Delgado
Paul Debevec	
Phil Fiscella	
George Friedman	
Alan Nudo	
	Sharif Ullah

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Advisory Board:

Present Absent
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Jamie Singson Christopher Walton

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18 MTD Staff:

Karl Gnadt (Managing Director), Amy Snyder (Deputy Managing Director), Michelle Wright (Finance Director), Brendan Sennett (Safety & Training Director), Jay Rank (Operations Director), Ryan Blackman (Technology Services Director), Ashlee McLaughlin (External Affairs Director), Alyx Parker (MTD Attorney), and Brittany Meeker (Clerk)

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Others Present:

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Call to Order

Chair Barnes called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

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2. Roll Call

Present (4) - Barnes-, Debevec, Fiscella, Friedman

Absent (3) – Delgado, Nudo, Ullah

The clerk declared that a quorum was present.

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3. Approval of Agenda

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MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to approve the agenda as distributed; seconded by Mr. Friedman. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.

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4. Public Hearing on the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for FY2025

Mr. Barnes asked for public input on the tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the period from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. Beginning on May 21, 2024, the proposed Budget was available for public review on MTD's website. The Notice of this Public Hearing was posted in the News Gazette on May 25, 2024. Mr. Barnes opened the floor for public comment. As there were no comments, Mr. Barnes closed the Public Hearing.

5. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation.

6. Approval of Minutes

A. Board Meeting (Open Session) - May 29, 2024

MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to approve the open session minutes of the May 29, 2024, MTD Board meeting as distributed; seconded by Mr. Friedman. Upon vote, the **MOTION CARRIED**.

7. Communications

None

8. Reports

A. Managing Director

Mr. Gnadt reviewed the statistics for May 2024. The May 2024 Ridership was up 3.9% from May 2023. Overall, Ridership was up 13.1% for the year-to-date compared to FY2023. Additionally, May 2024 operating revenue was 11.90% above May 2023 and year-to-date revenue was 20.60% above FY2023. Monthly operating expenses for May 2024 have increased 5.60% and year-to-date expenses were up 11.90%.

Mr. Gnadt also thanked Congresswoman Nikki Budzinski for including \$1.22M of Community Project Funding (CPF) in the Federal FY2025 Transportation-Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Appropriations bill. This funding is necessary for the acquisition of property needed for the Illinois Terminal Expansion project.

Alan Nudo joined the Board Meeting at 3:17 p.m.

9. Action Items

A. Ordinance No. 2024-1 - Adoption of Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for FY2025

MOTION by Mr. Friedman to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-1 – Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; seconded by Mr. Fiscella.

Roll Call:

Aye (5) - Barnes, Debevec, Fiscella, Friedman, Nudo

Nay (0)

Absent (3) - Delgado, Ullah

The MOTION CARRIED.

B. Annual Update to the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP)

The Board last approved PTASP revisions on June 28, 2023. The current updates to the PTASP do not reflect any significate changes except for the introduction of the Event Review Committee (ERC). Its purpose is to consider casual factors associated with each accident and determine the need to implement potential corrective actions to prevent the likelihood of recurrence.

MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to approve the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan dated June 26, 2024; seconded by Ms. Chaplan. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.

C. Governmental Accounting Standards Board: GASB 87 Lease & GASB 96 Subscription - Based Information Technology Arrangements Policy

On February 28, 2024, Baker Tilly presented information about the FY2023 audit, including best practice recommendation to create a formal written policy identifying management's criteria for evaluating contracts under GASB 87 & GASB 96, establishing the process for annual review of new contracts or changes to existing contracts, and developing a financial threshold for which contracts require consideration. MTD Staff recommends approval of the GASB 87 Lease & GASB 96 SBITA Policy.

MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to adopt the updated Governmental Accounting Standards Board: GASB 87 Lease & GASB 96 Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements Policy, seconded by Mr. Friedman. Upon vote, the MOTION CARRIED.

10. Next Meeting

A. Regular Board of Trustees Meeting - Wednesday, July 31, 2024- 3:00 p.m. immediately following the Decennial Committee Meeting - at Illinois Terminal, 45 East University, Champaign

11. Adjournment

MOTION by Mr. Fiscella to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Friedman.

Mr. Barnes adjourned the meeting at 3:32 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved:

Clean Mudo, acting CHAIR
Board of Trustees Chair
07/3/2024