

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

June 5, 2014

The Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority held a meeting on June 5, 2014 at 1:38 p.m. in the Board Room on the 6th Floor of the MARTA Headquarters Building, 2424 Piedmont Road, Atlanta, Georgia.

Board Members Present

Juanita Jones Abernathy
Robert L. Ashe III
Harold Buckley, Sr.
Wendy Butler
Frederick L. Daniels, Jr.
Jim Durrett
Roderick E. Edmond
Noni Ellison-Southall
Kirk Fjelstul*
Keith Golden*, P.E.
Freda B. Hardage
Barbara Babbit Kaufman

MARTA officials in attendance were: General Manager/CEO Keith T. Parker, AICP; C-Suite Team Members – Chief Operating Officer Rich Krisak, Chief of Staff Rukiya Eaddy, Chief Administrative Officer Edward Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Gordon Hutchinson, Chief Legal Counsel Elizabeth O'Neill; AGMs LaShanda Dawkins (Acting), Wanda Dunham, Rod Hembree (Acting), Ming Hsi, Cheryl King, Ryland McClendon and Terry Thompson; Executive Director Antoine Smith (Acting); Sr. Directors Bernard Guida and Kevin Hurley; Director Lyle Harris; Chief Corporate Law Jonathan Hunt; Manager Donna DeJesus; Manager Executive Office Administration Tyrene Huff; Sr. Executive Administrator to the MARTA Board Kellee Mobley; Finance Administrative Analyst Tracy Kincaid. Others in attendance Davis Allen, Reginald Askew, Kevin Gotell, Srinath Remala and Derrick Terry.

Also in attendance were Charles Pursley, Jr. of Pursley Friese Torgrimson, LLP; Pam Alexander of LTK Engineering; Jerry Lee; Lafayette Wood; Helen McSwain of MATC; Robert Smith of EDAAC, Adelee LeGrand of AECOM; Jim Schmid of HNTB; Michael McDonald of PFM; Andrea Brooks of *The AJC*; Dave Williams of the *Atlanta Business Chronicle*.

- * Kirk Fjelstul is Executive Director of Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) and is therefore a non-voting member of the MARTA Board of Directors
- * Keith Golden is Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Transportation and is therefore a non-voting member of the MARTA Board of Directors

Public Comment

Robert Smith. Chairman of the Elderly Disabled Access Advisory Committee. Mr. Smith gave a mid-year report for his Committee. He invited Board members to the July EDAAC meeting. The EDAAC committee is charged to deal with individuals with disabilities. He thanked Mr. Parker and Mr. Risco and other staff members for assistance with ADA matters.

Jerry Lee. Commented on the safety of restrooms in the stations. He suggested that MARTA institute a system requiring that MARTA riders use their MARTA card or a credit card. There needs to be a better solution to gaining access to the restrooms.

Lafayette Wood. Concerned about the phone system at MARTA. There was a big event a week ago and the phones went down. Customers were trying to call in but could not get through. He suggested that MARTA get a back-up system.

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Commentary from the Chairman

Chairman Ashe acknowledged and thanked fellow Board members for unanimous participation; given that there were several agenda items that call for a super majority of the Board.

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Minutes of the May 22, 2014 Meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors

On motion by Mrs. Ellison-Southall seconded by Mrs. Kaufman, the minutes were unanimously approved by a vote of 10 to 0, with 12* members present.

Audit Committee Report

Mr. Buckley reported that the Audit Committee met on May 28, 2014 and received the following briefings:

- a) Audit Activities
- b) Other Matters
 - Follow-up on NTT Data
 - Follow-up APTA Information Technology Recommendations
 - Cherry Bekaert provided
 - 1. Overview of the Year-End Financial Review

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2. Update on new GASB Standards and Pronouncements
3. Training – Audit Committee and Internal Audit Charter

Operations & Safety Committee Report

Dr. Edmond reported that the Operations & Safety Committee met on May 29, 2014 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution to Accept the Contract for Project B20973, Lighting Control Upgrades
- b. Resolution Authorizing Additional Funding for Revenue Vehicle Towing Services, CP B23559
- c. Resolution Authorizing the Exercise of Option Year Three for the General Engineering Consultant (GEC) Contract
- d. Resolution Authorizing Expenditure of Capital Funds for General Consulting and Professional Services for the Division of Operations and Development in Fiscal Year 2015, RFP P33589

On motion by Dr. Edmond seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 10 to 0, with 12* members present. A copy of the resolutions, **AS APPROVED, ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

The Committee received the following briefing:

- a) Update on Tunnel Ventilation System Rehabilitation and Renewal

Business Management Committee Report

Mr. Daniels reported that the Business Management Committee met on May 29, 2014 and approved the following resolutions:

- a. Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Federal Transit Administration New Freedom Program Subgrant Agreement With Gwinnett County
- b. Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Sole Source Contract With Enghouse Transportation for the Renewal of TeleDriver 8.1.6 Driver Management System – Maintenance Support, P33577

- c. Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for Broker Services for the Sale or Lease of Excess Properties, RFP P33467
- d. Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Proposals for Group Health and Wellness Insurance Coverages
- e. Resolution Authorizing the Expenditure of Capital and Operating Funds for General Consulting and Professional Services for the Department of Technology in Fiscal Year 2015 (July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015), RFP P33578
- f. Resolution Adopting Policy on Reasonable Access to MARTA Intermodal Facilities
- g. Resolution to Adopt the Fiscal Year 2015 Operating and Capital Budgets

On motion by Mr. Daniels seconded by Mr. Durrett, the resolutions were unanimously approved by a vote of 10 to 0, with 12* members present. A copy of the resolutions, **AS APPROVED, ARE ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

The Committee received the following briefings:

- a) FY 15 Operating and Capital Budget Public Hearing Results
- b) March Year-to-Date FY 14 Budget Variance Analysis and Performance Indicators

Resolution to Approve the Remarketing of Series 2000A Floating Rate Notes

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mrs. Ellison-Southall, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 10 to 0, with 12* members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

Resolution to Approve Series 2014A Refunding Bonds

On motion by Mr. Durrett seconded by Mrs. Abernathy, the resolution was unanimously approved by a vote of 10 to 0, with 12* members present. A copy of the resolution, **AS APPROVED, IS ATTACHED TO AND MADE PART OF THE OFFICIAL RECORD COPY OF THESE MINUTES.**

Chairman Ashe congratulated Mr. Hurley and staff. Because financial reforms were in place, MARTA was able to achieve a half point lower than the most conservative estimate. The present value in savings is \$4.2M.

Mr. Parker echoed Chairman Ashe's comment, adding congratulations to Mr. Hutchinson and the finance team for a very successful FY 15 Budget. He stated that because of these savings, there will be no fare increase this coming fiscal year and the Authority can assure the public that it is on sound fiscal ground.

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Adjournment

The meeting of the MARTA Board of Directors adjourned at 1:55 p.m.