



MINUTES
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
JANUARY 16, 2013

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting of the Regional Transportation Authority Board of Directors was held in the meeting room at Music City Central at 400 Charlotte Avenue on January 16, 2013. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by RTA Vice-Chair Karl Dean, Mayor Metro Nashville & Davidson County.

- II. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Vice-Chair Dean entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2012 meeting. Proper motion was made and seconded. Secretary Ed Cole asked that the minutes reflect one correction noting the correct spelling of Scott England's name (not Ingram as previously recorded). The vote of approval was unanimous and the minutes were adopted as presented.

- III. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments.

- IV. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS (A-13-001):** Todd Presnell, RTA legal counsel, reported that at last month's meeting the nominating committee came forth with a slate of officers for the upcoming year. That slate is:
 - Chair/President – Nashville/Davidson County Mayor Karl Dean
 - Vice Chair – Clarksville Mayor Kim McMillan
 - Secretary – Governor's Appointee Paula MansfieldNo additional names have been put forth; Mr. Presnell entertained a motion to approve the slate of officers as named by the nominating committee. Proper motion was made and seconded. There was no further discussion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

- V. **MARKETING REPORT:** Committee Chair Ed Cole reported that the committee received an update on marketing activities from Marketing and Communications Director Patricia Harris-Morehead and there was no business item to come before the Marketing Committee.

- VI. **OPERATIONS REPORT:** White House Alternate Gerald Herman reported that ridership was down for the month of November but noted that month held both the Thanksgiving holiday and Veterans Day holiday. Continuing, he noted that when comparing November of 2012 with November of 2011 that ridership is up 7.9%. Ridership continues to increase with each year.
 - a. **CLARKSVILLE EXPRESS BUS SERVICE (A-013-002):** This service has been highly successful and there have been several days with a full bus. Through a combination of state, local and federal funding, money is available to increase

the level of service to three morning and three afternoon trips to provide more convenient options to current customers and to increase capacity levels. Motion was made and seconded to add one additional round trip, making it a total of three morning and three afternoon trips. There was no discussion and the vote of approval was unanimous.

VII. FINANCE AND AUDIT REPORT: Committee Chair Paul Webb reported that the accounts payable are current and the entire financial package is good. The financial sheet shows positive working capital. In the income/expense statement we are within all the variances within our budget.

VIII. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: RTA General Manager Lora Baulsir presented the following action item:

- a. **2013 BOARD SCHEDULE (A-013-003):** She noted that the Board meetings are on the same dates as the MPO meeting. The Committee schedule is the second Tuesday of the month. Proper motion was made and seconded and the vote of approval was unanimous.
- b. **RTA DUES UPDATE (I-013-001):** Ms. Baulsir noted that just two members remained with outstanding dues and they were working together and these would be paid.

Continuing, Ms. Baulsir noted that she met last week with Kenny Martin of Mt. Juliet and the city would like to build up the area around the train station that belongs to the RTA. They would build a small stage for community type events along with a restroom facility and a small place where they could sell coffee or concessions. Ms. Baulsir discussed her concern for the need of future parking places with Mr. Martin. He has agreed to build in more parking places for the station. This will be a win-win for both parties.

IX. CHAIR'S REPORT: Chair Dean passed around a list of committees with chairs as he has structured them for this year. He noted that the RTA organization does very well because the committees are active. They meet regularly and that is where most of the work happens. He encouraged the members' participation on the committees this year.

X. OTHER BUSINESS: There was no other business.

XI. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m.

Respectfully,

Paula Mansfield

Governor Appointee
RTA Secretary