

Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 21, 2018

6:30 p.m.

Ann Arbor District Library, 343 South Fifth Avenue, Ann Arbor, Michigan

Present: Eric Mahler, Mike Allemang, Eli Cooper, Gillian Ream Gainsley, Sue Gott, Larry Krieg, Kyra Sims

Chairman Eric Mahler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1) Opening Items

1. Approve Agenda

At 6:33 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. Cooper to approve the agenda, seconded by Dr. Krieg. On a unanimous vote, Chairman Mahler declared the motion carried.

2. Public Comment

Michelle Barney commented on the need to support the Millage.

3. General Announcements

1. GFOA Award

Presented by Catherine McClary, Washtenaw County Treasurer, Immediate Past President, MGFOA (Michigan Government Finance Officers Association) and former Director on the Executive Board of the Government Finance Officers Association, to John Metzinger and Phil Webb for "Distinguished Budget Presentation". Chairman Mahler commented that the award shows excellence and transparency.

2) Policy Monitoring and Development

1. Board's Annual Plan of Work Item & Ends Policies

1. Ends Task Force: Revised Policies Discussion & Decision

Chairman Mahler opened the discussion of the document. A brief discussion ensued. Dr. Krieg motioned to pass it. Ms. Gainsley seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Policy Monitoring and Committee Reports

1. Governance Committee

a. Millage Campaign

Chairman Mahler urged Board Members to contribute. Mr. Allemang reported the current total is about \$30,000.

2. Finance Committee
 - a. Investment Policy Change

Mr. Metzinger reported on the budget process and strategic plan, reviewed language changes and interpretation of certain words. Mr. Allemang moved to adopt the version in the Board Packet. Ms. Gott seconded. Approved by all hands unanimous vote.
3. Service Committee

Dr. Krieg reported that they met without a quorum. Wording and interpretation in the policy manual and legality vs. ethics were discussed. The latter was related to trusting a CEO.

3. Other Board Reports & Ownership Linkages

1. LAC, WATS, A2 Transportation Commission
 - a. Local Advisory Council: Kathleen Mozak-Betts read a report on behalf of the Local Advisory Council (LAC), particularly: University of Michigan doing a transportation study, recommendation of a new Board Member on their August Agenda, William DeGoot is the new, temporary liaison.
 - b. Washentaw Area Transportation Study: Dr. Krieg reported on the agenda including an amendment to the transportation improvement program which passed.
 - c. A2 Transportation Commission

Ms. Sims attended her first official meeting last night and reported in particular: a presentation was made about the traffic revamping program, Mr. Cooper presented on the status of "Vision Zero" which is focusing on having zero transportation fatalities, Mr. Carpenter presented on the AAATA Millage which has received positive feedback.

3) Strategy and Operational Updates: CEO

1. CEO Report

Mr. Carpenter reported in particular: Detroit Metro Airport bus stops will change making them more convenient, especially for the Disabled who ride AirRide; timeline for July release of drafts of the 2019 Budget and the Strategic Business Plan for which public meetings will be held in August and a presentation made during the August Board Meeting with the September Board Meeting as the goal for approvals. Dr. Krieg inquired as to the status of the Ypsilanti Transit Center, Route Structure and the Fare Study. Mr. Carpenter reported they will be focused on after the August 7th Millage.
2. Monitoring Report: 2.11: Communication and Support to the Board

Mr. Carpenter reported approval is not being requested yet because the report is incomplete. Topics to address include interpretation of the Board as a customer of the CEO and the CEO's obligation to individual Board Members vs. the full decision-making body, "No Surprises" from the CEO to the Board, proof he hasn't mislead them. A discussion of these topics ensued.
3. Monitoring Report: 2.0: Global Executive Constraint

Mr. Carpenter reported this is viewed as an umbrella policy but is not complete therefore acceptance is not being requested and includes in particular: that the CEO follow the conceptual ideals of lawfulness, prudence, ethics. Mr. Carpenter noted this is the first year of going through Executive Limitations and it is now time to start again.

- 4) Board Development
 1. None

- 5) Emergent Business
 1. None

- 6) Closing Items
 1. Topics for Next Meeting
 1. Millage Vote Results
 2. RTA
 3. Budget Cycle in Process
 4. CEO Evaluation
 2. Public Comment
 1. Tim Hull commented on regional transit plans adding service in Washtenaw communities, a proposal for Livonia and Canton, Ypsilanti Service to the airport helping workers.

 3. Closed Session under the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCLA 15.268 (c), (d), (e) and (h)
A motion was made by Mr. Allemang, seconded by Ms. Gott to adjourn to Closed Session under the Michigan Open Meetings, etc.
On an all hands vote:
Aye: 7
Nay: 0
Chairman Mahler declared the motion carried and the Closed Session commenced at 8:36 p.m.

Closed Session Adjourn

- 7) c. Ms. Gott moved to adjourn the Closed Session with support from Ms. Gainsley. The motion carried, and the Closed Session adjourned at 9:17 p.m. by unanimous vote.

- 7) d. Board Assessment of Meeting

- 7) e. Adjourn

Ms. Gott moved to adjourn the meeting with support from Dr. Krieg. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m. by unanimous vote.