



Michigan Association of Transportation Systems (MASSTrans)  
Board of Directors Meeting

Monday May 8, 2017

11:00 a.m

Clinton Transit

St. Johns, MI

- I. Call to Order - 11:00  
Present: Ken Jimkoski (Huron), Dawn Benson (Clinton), Jill Drury (Charlevoix), Aaron Stahl and Carrie Thompson (CWTA), Brian Neuville (Caro), Julee Dean (Crawford), Onalee Pallas (Sanilac), Maureen Daugherty (Roscommon), Lyn Knapp (Midland), Ryan Novotny (Ironton Ferry), Bill Purvis (Twin Cities) and John Drury. Via phone: Maureen Daugherty (Roscommon), Jim Wilson (Blue Water),
- II. Review of April 10, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes:  
Motion to approve: Thompson  
Supported by: Benson  
Motion carried: unanimous
- III. Treasurer's Report: Benson reviewed Treasurer's report. She also had 2 payments for CTAA for Roadeo sponsorship and MPTA for a portion of the RTF training billing for snacks at the training. Billing for Front Line was submitted and is at MDOT for review. Audit is complete.  
Motion to approve report and pay bills: Drury  
Supported by: Thompson  
Motion carried: unanimous
- IV. President's Report: Jimkoski reported that he and Thompson met with the Act 51 information group sponsored by Rep. Cole. Thompson stated that Cole said we should drill down our message into 2 or 3 PowerPoint slides. A one page sheet is preferable. There weren't a lot of participants and Rep. Cole asked if MASSTrans would do a presentation if he held another workshop. Jimkoski stated we would. Thompson mentioned that we should get a professional presentation together for legislators.
- V. Executive Director's Report: Drury didn't have much to report as he'd gone on vacation right after the last board meeting. He provided info before leaving to Jimkoski, Thompson and McKinney regarding the meeting Rep. Cole held on Act 51. He had conversations with Jimkoski and McKinney on the 5310 boilerplate and possible boilerplate for formula while on vacation.
- VI. Lobbyist Report: McKinney gave an overview on the dinner we are sponsoring tonight. Meetings tomorrow can focus on individual agencies, ask if they'd like to visit the agency. Also need to focus on the boilerplate language on the 5310 funding and discuss options for formula change outside Act 51. Senate will still be in session after the representative meetings so folks

can attend that. Rep. Cole suggested possible options to McKinney regarding directing the Department to change the way they distribute the formula.

VII. Committee Reports:

A. Training Committee: Knapp stated she and Thompson met and discussed food and sessions for Front Line. She developed a matrix which Thompson re-formatted. Discussion ensued on the sessions and the registration forms. Next meeting for committee will be on May 17. Registrations will be going out soon.

VIII. New Business: No new business.

IX. Old Business: No old business.

X. Exchange of Information: Discussion on bus purchase payment process from MDOT. Benson mentioned that Sandy Dragoo is retiring in February next year. With the cancellation of their BRT project there are CMAQ funds that have to be reprogrammed and Benson is anticipating getting buses. Thompson stated CWTA is doing a rebranding for their system and voting is online for a new name. She is also looking at expanding into a volunteer driver program. She has 4 service agencies that will provide funding for the program and will assimilate their volunteer drivers. Executive Director mentioned to the board that there would be a vacancy as he'd been informed by Onalee Pallas that she had resigned her position and was leaving this month. She is taking a position at Thunder Bay. Jill Drury advised she'd interviewed for job she was a finalist for while in Alaska but it was offered to the other finalist.

XI. Adjournment/Next meeting: Adjourned at 1:35 pm. Next meeting July 10 in Cadillac. June's meeting will be canceled as all the officers will be in Detroit attending CTAA.