

**Atlanta-region Transit Link Authority
245 Peachtree Center Ave., Suite 2300
Atlanta, GA 30303**

Board Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT

Charlie Sutlive, Chair
Dan Buyers
Felicia Franklin
Andy Macke
Earl Ehrhart – virtual
Russell McMurry
Howard Mosby
Marci Collier Overstreet
Robb Pitts
Michael Thurmond
Todd Ver Steeg
Chuck Warbington
Tom Weyandt
Paul Radford
Teddy Russell

MEMBERS ABSENT

Charlotte Nash
Michael Thurmond

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. and a quorum was confirmed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Chair Sutlive called for a motion to approve the minutes for the Board meeting held on September 1, 2022. Mr. Mosby made the motion to approve the minutes, and Mr. Mosby seconded. The Board unanimously approved the minutes.

APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA

Chair Sutlive called for a motion to approve today's agenda. Mr. Radford made the motion to approve the agenda, Mr. Weyandt seconded. The agenda was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

2023 ATL BOARD CALENDAR

Chair Sutlive called for a motion to approve the 2023 Board Calendar that was previously circulated. Mr. Radford made the motion, and Mr. Macke seconded. The 2023 Board Calendar was approved unanimously.

XPRESS TITLE VI SERVICE STANDARDS MONITORING

Jamie Fischer gave a presentation on the Xpress Title VI Service Standards Monitoring. Title VI Monitoring Requirements include establishing the service standards and monitoring the service standards at least once in every 3 years. Performance measures and policies are used to plan or distribute services and benefits within a transit service area. The evaluation approach is to identify routes and park and ride lots, evaluate each service standard and to identify any adverse effects, disparate impacts, or disproportionate burdens on focus routes. The next monitoring will occur before the end of 2025.

Chair Sutlive called for a motion to approve the Xpress Title VI Service Standards Monitoring. Ms. Franklin made the motion, and Mr. Ehrhart seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST PROJECT PRESENTATIONS

- **Douglas County**
 - Ron Roberts gave the Board an update on Douglas County's priority investment list projects which include bus shelters and passenger amenities.
- **Cobb County**
 - Laura Beall gave the Board an update on Cobb County's priority investment list projects which includes three planned multimodal transit centers: Cumberland Transfer Center, Marietta Transfer Center, and South Cobb Transfer Center.
- **Gwinnett County Transit**
 - China Thomas and Natasha Tyler gave the Board an update on Gwinnett County's priority investment projects which includes Athens Regional Commuter Bus Service, Buford/Sugar Hill/Suwannee Microtransit Zone, Dacula/Lawrenceville Microtransit Zone, Gwinnett Place Transit Center, Lawrenceville Transit Center, and Lawrenceville to Snellville New Local Bus Service.

Annual Report and Audit (ARA)UPDATE

Alanna McKeeman, with FourSquare, gave the Board an ARA update. The ATL's ARA covers all transit planning, funding, and operations in the 13-county ATL region and covers the period from July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022. Some of the findings are preliminary and still undergoing review by operators. Ridership at the end of FY 2022 was higher than that of the previous summer. Ridership reached its lowest points in January and February 2022, coinciding with the spread of COVID-19 Omicron variant in Georgia. Mid-

day travel at the end of 2021 was the same or slightly higher compared to mid-day travel in 2019. On time performance remained very high for Xpress compared to pre-pandemic levels.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Heather Aquino discussed the following items:

- National Ambient Air Quality Standards
- Transit Asset Management Plan
- Federal Transit Cluster Audit

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

APPROVED:



Charlie Sutlive, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Merryl Mandus, Chief Legal Officer

ATTEST:



Monica Rossell, Board Liaison

DATE MINUTES APPROVED:

1/5/23