

GoTriangle Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2017

Board Room, The Plaza, 4600 Emperor Blvd., Suite 100
Durham, NC

Board Members Present:

Will Allen III

Ed Harrison

Mary-Ann Baldwin (arr. 12:25 pm)

Wendy Jacobs

William V. "Bill" Bell

Vivian Jones (arr. 12:39 pm)

Jim Crawford Jr.

Ellen Reckhow

Board Members Absent:

Fred Day IV (excused)

Jennifer Robinson (excused)

Barry Jacobs (excused)

Jeff Sheehan

In absence of a quorum, Vice Chair Ellen Reckhow asked that the meeting begin with reports.

II. Recognition

A. Board Recognition

Vice Chair Reckhow presented former Orange County representative Bernadette Pelissier with a framed historical photograph of Hillsborough Station.

B. Introduction of New Hires

General Manager Jeff Mann announced the hiring of Niya Greene and Laurent Makino, Bus Operators.

C. Announcement of Promotions

None.

VII. Other Business

A. General Manager's Report

General Manager Mann highlighted the following items:

- He shared photos of flexible office space being up-fitted in a portion of a warehouse owned by GoTriangle in downtown Raleigh. He said it would provide eight to ten work spaces and a conference room. Mann said it would give employees a place to work in downtown Raleigh and help accommodate the agency's expansion. He added that the building eventually would be removed to build the multi modal project.
- Staff continues to work with partners in Wake County to advance the Wake County Transit Plan.

- A conceptual design for a potential joint use facility on the Raleigh Union Station property has been completed. The Board will receive a report in March.
- The Board discussed a recent email from RTA suggesting a new technology for the Durham-Orange corridor, 3eBRT, and a response.

Baldwin arrived (a quorum now achieved).

I. Adoption of Agenda

Action: On motion by Allen and second by Baldwin the agenda was adopted. The motion was carried unanimously.

III. Public Comment

No comments.

IV. Consent Agenda

Action: On motion by Allen and second by Baldwin the consent agenda was approved. The motion was carried unanimously.

The following consent agenda items were approved:

- December 14, 2016 – Regular Session Minutes; and
- January 4, 2017 – Work Session Minutes.

V. General Business Agenda

A. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

None.

VI. New Business

A. Interlocal Agreement for the Administrative Distribution of the Wake County \$7 Vehicle Registration Tax

General Counsel Shelley Blake requested authorization for the General Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement for the distribution of the Wake County \$7 vehicle registration tax. She explained that all the funds collected from the \$7 would be assigned to the Triangle Tax District and administered by GoTriangle for the Wake County Transit Plan.

Action: On motion by Baldwin and second by W. Jacobs the Board authorized the General Manager to enter into the Interlocal Agreement for the administrative distribution of the Wake County \$7 vehicle registration tax. The motion was carried unanimously. A copy of the agreement is attached and hereby made a part of these minutes.

B. FY 2017 Wake Transit Annual Work Plan Recommendation

John Tallmadge stated that the Board approved the FY17 Wake Transit budget, but these additional elements were not included: updates to the Wake Transit Financial Plan financial model and assumptions; multi-year operating program and capital improvement plan; and a memo detailing the expectations and parameters for transfer of funds in FY17 (formal agreements are being developed for future years). Tallmadge requested adoption of the entire work plan package.

Action: On motion by Allen and second by Baldwin the Board adopted the FY17 Wake Transit Work Plan. The motion was carried unanimously.

C. FY17-FY21 Strategic Plan and FY18 Business Plan

John Tallmadge stated that comments received from Board members at the work session have been incorporated. He noted that as some of the performance indicators are being used for the first time, baselines have not been set for them all.

Jones arrived.

Action: On motion by Baldwin and second by W. Jacobs the Board adopted the FY17-21 Strategic Plan and FY18 Business Plan. The motion was carried unanimously.

VII. Other Business

A. General Manager's Report

1. Communications Update

Mike Charbonneau's presentation is attached and hereby made a part of these minutes. He also shared a video story on how The Exploris School is using transit.

2. Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Program Update

Danny Rogers stated that staff has been responding to feedback from FTA on the application. He stated that the feedback has been very positive and he is optimistic about the likelihood of being approved at the end of February. Rogers also reported on a financial summit held with financial staff from Durham and Orange and GoTriangle's financial advisors. He added that updates to the county transit plans should be approved by April. Additionally, a project office is being sought. He said his goal is to get the project schedule back to 2026.

B. General Counsel's Report

General Counsel Shelley Blake noted the following items:

- She and the General Manager have been invited to present to an urban land use class at Ravenscroft School about transit. She stated that they feel additional presentations to students could be a good tool for educating the public.
- She presented a list of potential names and initial board members for a non-profit organization. This list is attached and hereby made a part of these minutes. She stated that the individuals have not agreed to serve, and some are not aware they are listed. Board members discussed the potential organization names and seemed to settle on, "GoTriangle Partnership." The Board also discussed whether the group would be considered a public body. Staff attorney Tom Henry noted that GoTriangle, as a public authority, and exercising a large degree of oversight and control over the non-profit would categorize it as a public body, subject to the open meetings law and public records act. It was determined that more research is needed.

C. Chair's Report

1. Additional Board Appointments

Vice Chair Reckhow stated that the Board needs to appoint a representative and alternate to the DCHC MPO Board and an alternate to the CAMPO Executive Board. She said Ed Harrison has agreed to serve as DCHC MPO Board representative. She suggested Wendy Jacobs as the alternate, if allowed, since she also serves as the alternate for Durham County.

Action: On motion by Allen and second by Baldwin the Board approved the appointment of Ed Harrison as the GoTriangle representative on the DCHC MPO Board and Wendy Jacobs as the alternate. The motion was carried unanimously.

Will Allen suggested Jennifer Robinson as the alternate to the CAMPO Executive Board.

D. Board Member Reports

1. CAMPO Executive Board Representative

Will Allen shared information from the Wake County Transit implementation workshop, which is attached and hereby made a part of these minutes. He said the Board also received several updates.

2. DCHC MPO Board Representative

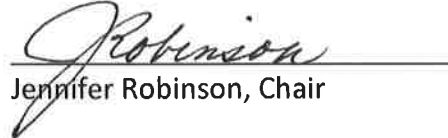
Ed Harrison reported that Danny Rogers made a presentation to the MPO Board on the D-O LRT project.

3. Regional Transportation Alliance (RTA) Representative

Will Allen stated that he attended the RTA annual meeting in December and the TriMAP quarterly meeting with updates on the Turnpike Authority, the RDU master plan and the multi modal 54 initiative.

VIII. Adjournment

Action: Vice Chair Reckhow adjourned the meeting at 1:49 p.m.


Jennifer Robinson, Chair

Attest:


Michelle C. Dawson, CMC
Clerk to the Board