

GoTriangle Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2016

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

Board Members Present:

Will Allen III

Mary-Ann Baldwin

Jim Crawford Jr.

Fred Day IV

Fred Foster Jr.

Ed Harrison

Vivian Jones

Bernadette Pelissier

Ellen Reckhow

Jennifer Robinson

Jeff Sheehan

Board Members Absent:

William V. "Bill" Bell (excused)

Vice Chair Jennifer Robinson officially called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

I. Call to Order and Adoption of Agenda

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

II. Recognition

A. Introduction of New Hires

General Manager Mann announced the hiring of Shelley Blake, General Counsel; Michael Charbonneau, Director of Marketing & Communications; Niurka Diaz, Avonda Figueroa and Tesia Richardson, Bus Operators and Terry Harvey, Facilities Coordinator.

B. Announcement of Promotions

None.

III. Public Comment

Vice Chair Robinson recognized Mark Ambrose, Durham resident, who spoke against the proposed service change to route 700 eliminating several stops.

IV. Public Hearings

A. FY 2016 Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant Program of Projects and Schedule

Vice Chair Robinson opened the public hearing on the FY 2016 Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Grant Program of Projects and Schedule at 1:07 p.m. There being no comments, the hearing was closed.

B. FY 2017 Budget

Vice Chair Robinson opened the public hearing on the FY 2017 Budget at 1:07 p.m. There being no comments, the hearing was closed.

V. Consent Agenda

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

The following consent agenda items were approved:

- April 27, 2016 – Budget Work Session Minutes;
- April 27, 2016 – Regular Session Minutes; and
- Adopted Resolution 2016 0002 approving final Section 5307 program of projects for FY 2016 and Resolution 2016 0003 authorizing the filing of grant applications with the USDOT and NCDOT. (These resolutions are attached and hereby made a part of these minutes.)

VI. General Business Agenda

A. Items Removed from Consent Agenda

None.

B. Operations & Finance Committee Report

1. August Service Changes Recommendation

Committee Chair Allen stated that the service change to route 700 mentioned in the public comment does not require Board approval, but changes to routes 105, 400 and 405 do. Route 105 would no longer serve the District Drive Park-and-Ride, saving about six minutes and improving on-time performance. Certain stops would be eliminated on routes 400 and 405 during off-peak times to provide more reliable service.

Action: Baldwin made a motion, which was seconded by Jones, to approve the service changes for Route 105 for August as recommended by the Committee.

Foster asked for more information regarding the route 700 change. General Manager Mann stated that the changes on route 700 are a result of the

construction on the upcoming Alston Avenue widening and corresponding road closures.

Action: Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

Action: On motion by Day and second by Baldwin the Board approved service changes for routes 400 and 405 for August as recommend by the Committee. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. Second Supplemental Request for Programming of Sales Taxes & Vehicle Registration Fees

Action: On motion by Jones and second by Baldwin the Board approved the second supplemental request for FY16 programming of sales tax and vehicle registration fee revenues for bus services and capital projects. The motion was carried unanimously.

C. Planning & Legislative Committee Report

Committee Chair Bernadette Pelissier reported that the Committee received a presentation on performance measures which are required by MAP-21 as part of the planning process for MPOs.

1. Wake County Transit Plan & Interlocal Governance Agreement

Pelissier asked John Tallmadge to present this item. Tallmadge stated that the resolution includes several components. Karen Porter explained the expansion of the existing tax district to include Wake County and to rename the tax district, "Triangle Tax District." Tallmadge said adoption of the resolution also would approve the Wake Transit Plan, the financial plan, the Interlocal Agreement (ILA), and request a referendum for the ½ cent sales tax. He explained the Transit Planning Advisory Committee (TPAC) created in the ILA to be inclusive and to provide an effective and efficient mechanism to vet the work and to move it to the governing boards of GoTriangle and CAMPO on an annual basis or as needed. Tallmadge added that the Wake County Board of County Commissioners is scheduled to consider the plan, ILA and referendum on June 6th.

Action: Baldwin made a motion, which was seconded by Allen, to adopt *Resolution 2016 0004 Resolution of the Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority Board of Trustees to Expand the Western Triangle Special District to Include Wake County, to Rename the Special District, to Conduct an Advisory Referendum on the Levy of an Additional One-Half Percent (1/2%) Local Sales and Use Tax for Public Transportation, and to Approve the Wake County Transit Plan, Financial Plan and the Transit Governance Interlocal Agreement.*

Reckhow thanked staff and Board members who worked on this issue. She noted that the ILA is much improved from the draft reviewed in April.

Action: Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

2. Vision & Mission Statements

Committee Chair Pelissier stated that staff has been working with the Committee on a vision statement and revised mission statement. She said the Committee is recommending the two, along with goals and objectives, be put out for public comment.

Action: On motion by Reckhow and second by Allen the Board authorized the General Manager to release the draft Vision and Mission Statements, Goals and Objectives for public comment, which are attached and hereby made a part of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. Draft of Key Initiatives for FY17 Budget

Pelissier then presented key initiatives for the FY17 budget, which correspond to the strategic initiatives developed by the Board.

Action: On motion by Allen and second by Pelissier the Board voted to incorporate into the FY17 Budget the draft initiatives, which are attached and hereby made a part of these minutes. The motion was carried unanimously.

D. New Business

None.

VII. Other Business

A. General Manager's Report

General Manager Jeff Mann highlighted the following items:

- He recognized the staff effort involved in the Wake County Transit Plan.
- He noted progress on the effort to get the State's light rail funding cap removed. He stated that Senate Bill 857 was filed as stand-alone to remove the cap and House Bill 988 also has been filed to remove the cap. Additionally, a provision to remove the cap is included in the House budget, which has cleared the floor and gone to the Senate.
- The City of Raleigh will soon complete the downtown Raleigh bus facility master plan, which will dramatically improve the customer experience and expand capacity for our bus network at Moore Square. The City also is assessing the feasibility of establishing a bus facility in the warehouse district in the area of Union station to provide a true multi-modal hub. He stated the report will be complete at the end of the month.

1. Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Program Update

Danny Rogers stated that he recently met with Carolyn Flowers, FTA Acting Administrator. He stated that a meeting in DC with her and her staff is being scheduled. Rogers also said that staff is working on the General Engineering Consultant (GEC) and Program Management Consultant (PMC) contracts and expects to bring the General Counsel contract to the Board for approval in June. He added that he would be bringing some ideas about how to move the project forward with reduced exposure until the funding cap is lifted.

2. Legislative Update

No report.

B. Interim General Counsel's Report

General Counsel Shelley Blake stated that she has been learning about the bigger initiatives GoTriangle has going on and has worked with Karen Porter on the Wake Transit ILA. She said she also has had an opportunity to do several tours and meet a number of people in her first week.

C. Chair's Report

Vice Chair Robinson reported that an idea has been raised to have the monthly Board meeting sandwiched between the committee meetings on the same day of the month. She explained that Board action would be taken the month following the presentation to committee.

Action: On motion by Baldwin and second by Allen the Board approved a consolidated meeting calendar as proposed, directing staff to come back with a target date. The motion was carried unanimously.

D. Board Member Reports

1. CAMPO Executive Board Representative

Will Allen reported that CAMPO approved the Wake County Transit Plan and ILA following the joint public hearing. He said they also received a mid-year project update on local administered project (LAP) programs and a public hearing on the TIP. The group also endorsed the 5310 program for enhanced mobility for seniors and people with disabilities and had a SPOT 4.0 prioritization process update.

2. DCHC MPO Board Representative

Bernadette Pelissier stated that she was unable to attend.

3. Regional Transportation Alliance (RTA) Representative

No report.

4. **APTA Transit Board Member Seminar**

Fred Foster's report is attached and hereby made a part of these minutes.

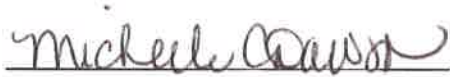
VIII. Adjournment

Action: Vice Chair Robinson the meeting was adjourned the meeting at 1:58 p.m.



William V. "Bill" Bell, Chair

Attest:



Michelle C. Dawson, CMC
Clerk to the Board