

**METRO RTA
ANNUAL & MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
ROBERT K. PFAFF TRANSIT CENTER BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2025; 9:00 AM**

Trustees Present: Mark Derrig, Dana LaGarde, Robert DeJournett, Donald Christian, Bob Konstand John Valle, Gary Spring, David Prentice, Nicole Squire, Renee Greene and Christine Marshall

Trustees Excused: Robert DeJournett

Trustees Absent:

Guests Present: Lauren Zidones

METRO Team

Members Present: Dawn Distler, Angela Neeley, Tatia Harris, Nathan Leppo, Quentin Wyatt, DeHavilland McCall, Jamie Saylor, Shawn Metcalf, Jay Hunter, Eric Scott, Wayne Cole, April Adams and Natalie Jackson

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mark Derrig called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Ms. Pamela Pinkney-Butts (Apostlett Prophetess)

RECOGNITION

Ms. Natalie Jackson – Honored for 25 years of service and safe driving as an Operator.

BOARD MINUTES Mr. Donald Christian made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 20th meeting. Ms. Renee Greene 2nd the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & RESOLUTIONS

CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE & SERVICE PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair: John Valle

The Committee met on February 20th and KPIs were reviewed. There were two resolutions recommended by the committee.

RESOLUTION 2025-04: A resolution authorizing the disposal or transfer of certain assets owned by METRO Regional Transit Authority.

The resolution was discussed.

Mr. John Valle on behalf of the committee made a motion to approve the resolution.
Ms. Renee Greene 2nd the motion. All present voted “aye”. The resolution was approved.

RESOLUTION 2025-05:

A resolution authorizing METRO Regional Transit Authority to join the Community University Education Purchasing Council of Governments (CUE).

The resolution was discussed.

Mr. John Valle on behalf of the committee made a motion to approve the resolution.
Ms. Renee Greene 2nd the motion. All present voted “aye”. The resolution was approved.

INTERNAL & EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair: Chuck Rector

The Committee met on February 20th and KPIs were reviewed. There were no resolutions.

SAFETY, EQUITY & PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Ms. Dana LaGarde reported on behalf of Chair: Robert DeJournett

The Committee met on February 20th and KPIs were reviewed. There were no resolutions.

FINANCE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT

Chair: Bob Konstand

The Committee met on February 20th and the dashboard was reviewed. There were no resolutions.

OTHER BUSINESS

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Board President:

Mr. Mark Derrig had nothing to report.

Chief Executive Officer:

Ms. Dawn Distler expressed that we are continuing to make every effort to ensure that each day at METRO is great. We are working on plans for the executive orders, and we have contingency plans—Plan B, Plan C, Plan D, and even Plan E, if needed—to ensure that we can maintain service and identify opportunities to increase it where necessary. We are also collaborating with the Bus Coalition to meet in Washington, D.C., to ensure that our local bus systems are not being overlooked. We want the current administration to understand how important buses are to our community. Buses are an economic driver in our community, and this bus system is essential for those in need. We are working to ensure it remains available to them. I am hopeful that we can make significant progress on this in Washington, D.C. this week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A roll call was conducted to enter Executive Session.

A roll call was conducted to exit Executive Session.

Mr. Bob Konstand made a motion to come out of the Executive Session and amend Item 9, removing employment. Ms. Dana LaGarde 2nd the motion.

Mr. Dave Prentice requested a roll call vote. Ms. Dana LaGard made a motion to approve 20.5 % bonus based on 2024 salary for the Chief Executive Officer. The following voted aye: Ms. Greene, Mr. Derrig, Ms. LaGarde, Mr. Christian, Mr. Rector, Mr. Valle, Ms. Squire, Ms. Marshall and Mr. Konstand. Mr. Spring, abstained. Mr. Prentice voted nay.

The next scheduled Board Meeting is March 25th.

ADJOURNMENT

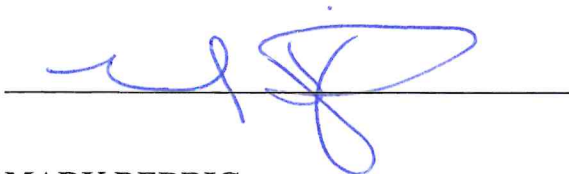
Mr. Donald Christian made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gary Spring 2nd the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to Section III, Article 3.2 of the Rules & Regulations of the METRO Regional Transit Authority, METRO has complied with the Notice and Notification to the public and news media.

DATE APPROVED: March 25th, 2025



**MARK DERRIG,
PRESIDENT**



**DAWN S. DISTLER,
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/
SECRETARY-TREASURER**

