

**Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority
Advisory Board Meeting
Hyannis Transportation Center
April 25, 2018**

Minutes

A meeting of the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, April 25, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., at the Hyannis Transportation Center, Hyannis, Massachusetts. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Tom Guerino, Chairman.

Board members present were: Tom Guerino, Bourne; Roy Jones, Brewster; Bob Lawton, Yarmouth; Mark Ells, Barnstable; Bob Cafarelli, Harwich; Bud Dunham, Sandwich; Dorothy Voelker, Yarmouth Port; Jill Goldsmith, Chatham; Dave Schropfer, Eastham; Frank Nichols, Orleans; Susan Moran, Falmouth; Brenda Vasquez, Dennis.

Others present included: Thomas Cahir, CCRTA; Kristen Boyd, CCRTA; John Kennedy, MV; Dennis Foster MV; Fred Valdivia MV; Kathleen Jensen, CCRTA; Paula George, CCRTA, Henry Swiniarski, CCRTA; Lynn Ahlgren, CCRTA; Noah Berger, CCRTA; Lisa McKay, CCRTA; Scott Swiniarski, CCRTA; Linda Landry, CCRTA;

A 77.89% quorum was determined.

I. Minutes of December 20, 2017 Advisory Board Meeting

Jones moved that the minutes be approved. Schropfer seconded. **Approved.**

II. Reports

Cahir began his report by explaining our enhanced partnership with Cape Cod Healthcare. A briefing book shared with Mike Lauf, President of Cape Cod Healthcare was distributed to Board Members for their review. He continued highlighting the contents of the department reports. Of special note, Cahir described the assistance we provided for the funeral of Sergeant Gannon.

Tom Guerino noted the kindness that the Cape Cod RTA has shown speaks volumes. Regarding the reports, there are a lot of new initiatives and without the leadership Cahir, a lot of things would not have been accomplished in such a positive manner.

Roy Jones asked if there is a reason for the decline in ridership. Cahir explained that ridership is down throughout the country and there was a Transit Ridership Trend Report produced by the CCRTA that was previously distributed and will be forward to Jones for his review.

III. Advisory Board

- Executive Committee

Lawton discussed the budget process and the documents provided to the Advisory Board Members summarizing the budget.

Lawton made a motion to approve the budget as submitted.

- **A roll call vote was taken to approve the FY19 Budget as submitted:**

- **Barnstable** **Yes**
- **Bourne** **Yes**
- **Brewster** **Yes**
- **Chatham** **Yes**
- **Dennis** **Yes**
- **Eastham** **Yes**
- **Falmouth** **Yes**
- **Harwich** **Yes**
- **Mashpee** **Absent**
- **Orleans** **Yes**
- **Provincetown** **Absent**
- **Sandwich** **Yes**
- **Truro** **Absent**
- **Wellfleet** **Absent**
- **Yarmouth** **Yes**
- **Yarmouth Port** **Yes**

- **Audit & Finance** – No report
- **Fare & Service** – No report
- **Rail Committee** – Jones asked about commuter rail and the south-side stop. Cahir reported that there is progress being made in both areas.

IV. New Business

- Schropfer suggested that competition between the use of inter-city buses and trains is a customer choice, which takes the responsibility off of us regarding the customer's preference. Schropfer also asked if the CCRTA, as the largest organization trying to improve traffic on the Cape, should be a major voice of transportation and work with the state to see that regulations are enforced for Lyft and Uber.

V. Old Business

- Jones spoke about the assistance the RTA provided throughout the storms and also the funeral for Officer Gannon. He suggested that COAs should also be helpful with assistance providing transportation to shelters. Cahir replied that an MOU between the RTA and the BCREPC is in process.

VI. Public Questions/Concerns

- Boyd gave a presentation on the Jeopardy game developed to assist in the Youth Initiative. Moran stated that she would speak with the superintendent of Falmouth schools about inviting us to speak with their students.

VII. Adjournment

Jones moved to adjourn, Dunham seconded, approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.