

Georgia Regional Transportation Authority
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GRTA/GDC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2011

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Walter M. Deriso, Jr. (Chair)
Narender Reddy
Al Nash
J.T. Williams
Dick Anderson
Ken Stewart
John A. Sibley, III
Edward Tate
Lara Hodgson
Dwight Evans
Bob Voyles
Mike Byrd
Jerry Bowman

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Charlotte Nash
Alton Knight

*A quorum was present

All notice having been duly given, the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority Board/Governor's Development Council Board was held at the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority office, 245 Peachtree Center Avenue, Suite 800, Atlanta, Georgia.

Sonny Deriso called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES OF THE MARCH 9, 2011 MEETING

Minutes for the regular meeting of March 9, 2011 were reviewed and approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA FOR THE APRIL 13, 2011 MEETING

The agenda for the April 13, 2011 meeting was approved as circulated.

Public Comment

There was no request for public comment.

Executive Director's Report

ARC Committees (ELUC/TAQC)

Mr. Reddy reported for the ELUC Committee. Dan Reuter provided the Review final draft PLAN 2040 DCA documents. Mr. Reuter discussed several documents including a chart that outlines new sub-committees that Chairman Oden has proposed. Mr. Reuter then gave an overview of the vision and goals of PLAN 2040, as well as each of the documents that will be transmitted to DCA. Mr. Reddy commented about Regional Snapshot Educational Attainment,

Matt Markham reported for the RTC Committee. The first topic of discussion was an updated overview by Cain Williamson of the project evaluation and prioritization work regarding Concept 3. Mr. Williamson presented a list of 15 transit segments that RTC staff propose be submitted to GRTA for constructability analysis, and briefed the committee on the process for analyzing and selecting transit projects for the TIA 2010 constrained project list. Kirk Fjelstul explained in more detail the work that GRTA is undertaking to provide a risk assessment and deliverability analysis on potential transit projects, with a goal of providing an assessment to GDOT by June.

Jannine Miller reported on the TAQC meeting held on March 10, 2011. Ms. Miller stated that the Plan 2040 presentation was discussed, and stated that this will be the first Regional Plan that responds to the Statewide Strategic Transportation Plan, focusing on improving mobility, enabling an supporting economic growth opportunities, and transforming Georgia's transportation network. Ms. Miller also pointed out that the current plan does not include sales tax projects.

Legislative Update

Matt Markham provided an update to the Board of Directors on the legislation and budget items from the General Assembly, which was of significance to GRTA.

Operations and Finance Committee Report

Mr. Deriso gave the summary for the Operations and Finance Committee, filling in for Mr. Knight, committee chair. The monthly financial report was given by Mark Peoples. There are no reportable issues for the balance sheet. The fund balance is committed to current projects.

Jim Ritchey gave the monthly operations report. Total operating revenue is above goal. Operating expenses are tracking at estimates. Transportation is tracking below estimates, although above last year. Overall net cost of service is under budget.

Formal Action

The Committee recommended approval of the revised FY 2011 Xpress Service Standards. As a Committee motion, no second was required and the motion was approved unanimously.

Jim Ritchey presented the FY 2011 Xpress Service Evaluation, which recommends service and fare changes that are planned to be effective during July 2011. These changes will reduce revenue hours on the existing Xpress services by 4.3 percent.

Formal Action

The Committee recommended authorizing the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract renewal for BUC shuttle to update operating terms to include the pass through of stimulus funds, use of turnkey contracting, and transfer of vehicles; to update federal clauses; and to update the contract term with an effective renewal date from November 6, 2010 to November 6, 2015. As a Committee motion, no second was required and the motion was approved unanimously.

Projects and Planning Committee Report

J.T. Williams gave the summary for the Projects and Planning Committee. Mr. Williams stated that the Air Quality report was given today. Also the 2010 Transportation MAP Report was reviewed with a good discussion. Kirk Fjelstul reported on the GRTA Transit Deliverability Review for TIA 2010.

Sonny Deriso adjourned the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

APPROVED:


Walter Deriso, Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Kirk R. Fjelstul, Chief Counsel

ATTEST:


Benecia I. Dennard, Recording Secretary