



**GRTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**TELEPHONE CONFERENCE MEETING**

**SPECIAL CALLED GRTA BOARD MEETING &  
GOVERNORS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (GDC)**

**MINUTES**

**July 14, 2010**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Sonny Deriso, Chairman  
Alton Knight  
Al Nash  
John Sibley  
Mike Byrd  
Lara Hodgson  
Dwight Evans  
Caric Martin  
Jerry Bowman  
J. T. Williams  
Charlotte Nash  
Dick Anderson  
James Stephenson  
Bob Voyles

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

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\*A quorum was present.

Sonny Deriso called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

Sonny Deriso was present in the room. All attending board members were present by teleconference.

**APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE AGENDA FOR THE JULY 14, 2010 SPECIAL MEETING**

The agenda for the July 14, 2010 special meeting was reviewed and approved as circulated.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION - APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

A motion was made and seconded to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Deriso requested that all non-board members leave the room as they moved into the executive session.

The executive session ended at 1:25 p.m.

Sonny Deriso called the meeting back to order in open meeting at 1:35 p.m. Mr. Deriso requested a motion for the election for an Executive Director to GRTA and the GDC. Caric Martin made a motion to elect Jannine Miller as GRTA's Executive Director at the salary specified with review after ninety (90) days. Jerry Bowman seconded the motion. As a motion and a 2<sup>nd</sup>, no further discussion was made and the board voted unanimously on the election of Jannine Miller as Executive Director.

Jannine Miller thanked Lara Hodgson, Dick Anderson, and Sonny Deriso for their contributions and work with her during the past year. She also commented on H.B. 277, Human Services Transit mandate, the Transit Program Manager role, the tax referendum criteria and GRTA's role in their progress. Jannine also thanked Kirk Fjelstul for his contributions to H.B. 277,

Sonny Deriso thanked Kirk Fjelstul for his role as Acting Director, as well as Jim Ritchey for his ongoing leadership with Xpress, offering his and the Board's support to Jannine Miller in her new position as Executive Director.

**APPROVAL OF BANK AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION**

Sonny Deriso requested a motion from the Board for approval to replace Kirk Fjelstul's name on the bank authorization with Jannine Miller. Charlotte Nash made a motion for approval, the motion was seconded, and the board approved the resolution unanimously.

**HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Kirk Fjelstul spoke on the Human Services Transportation Committee. A section added to the H.B. 277, which deals with rural and human services transportation is transit needs in rural areas throughout the state mainly dealing with the delivery of people to health facilities. The problems have been the fractured and duplicative services resulting in services that have not been cost effective. The legislation convenes development of the GDC and creation of a committee to address the issues, which could result in a recommendation to OPB, which would be part of the Governor's legislative budgetary agenda. The committee is established by the GDC and made up of members selected by the Board, recommending that the Commissioner of the DOT be a non-voting member. A subcommittee is part of the law, which is chaired by the Commissioner and made up of multiple state agencies who deliver or who are impacted by the Human Services Transportation issue.

A committee will be established at the next board meeting and following that, a work session including the advisory committee of the GDC, as well as legislators involved in passage of the bill. Reports will be due July 1 of every year with a final report issued in September, which will follow to OPB and submitted to the General Assembly in January.

Sonny Deriso added that a report will be given to the board at the next board meeting. Jannine Miller will be presenting "GRTA on a Page" report.

Sonny Deriso adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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**Walter Deriso, Chairman**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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**Kirk R. Fjelstul, Chief Counsel**

**ATTEST:**

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**Kitty Farias, Recording Secretary**