

**Georgia Regional Transportation Authority  
245 Peachtree Center Avenue, NE, Suite 800  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303-1223**

**Rural and Human Services Transportation Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
August 11, 2010**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Charlotte Nash (Chair)  
Walter M. Deriso, Jr.  
Caric Martin  
Bob Voyles  
Al Nash

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lara Hodgson  
Jerry Bowman  
John A. Sibley, III  
Dick Anderson

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mike Byrd

\*A quorum was present.

All notice having been duly given, the Rural and Human Services Transportation Committee of the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority was held at the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority office, 245 Peachtree Center Avenue, Suite 800, Atlanta, Georgia, 30303.

Charlotte Nash, committee Chair called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE AGENDA FOR THE AUGUST 11, 2010 MEETING**

The agenda for the August 11, 2009 committee meeting has been circulated. The agenda was accepted without objection.

**INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND ON RURAL AND HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Ms. Nash welcomed everyone to the first meeting and noted that today's meeting was to give an orientation.

Mr. Deriso noted that the meeting was historic because it was the first GDC meeting.

Kirk Fjelstul gave a brief introduction on the committee and the presenters for today's meeting.

This is the first committee meeting organized as a result of House Bill 277. The legislation called for a committee of the Governors Development Council to examine service improvements and cost efficiencies that could be achieved through better coordination of rural and human services transportation.

The intent of this meeting is to give the committee some orientation and background information.

Dave Cassell gave information on House Bill 277.

Erik Stephens (Intermodal Director for GDOT) gave background on current state and organization of HST, as well as opportunities for coordination.

Daniel Foth (GDOT Consultant) discussed a work plan for the committee as well as other coordination efforts. Dave Cassell addressed immediate timing issues for the committee with regard to deadline and public outreach.

There were a significant number of questions from committee members. There was particular interest in understanding how much cost efficiency was possible to achieve. There was a lengthy discussion on how to ensure coordination and communication with all of the entities that have interest or may be affected. The committee wanted to make sure the communication relayed the desire for a cooperative effort.

Jannine Miller suggested follow up with committee members and Chair regarding items raised in the discussion, the work plan, the committee purpose, and the September 1<sup>st</sup> letter to be sent to the Office of Planning and Budget.

Charlotte Nash adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

**APPROVED:**

  
Charlotte Nash, Chairman

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Kirk R Fjelstul, Chief Counsel

**ATTEST:**

  
Kathy Sheffield, Recording Secretary