



Proposed Meeting Summary
Board of Directors
Thursday, February 20, 2025
1:00 PM

1. Call to Order at 1:02 PM.

2. Roll Call:

Board of Directors members	Government Entity	Attendance Status
Jeannette Bradshaw	Oakland County	P
Freman Hendrix (Secretary)	City of Detroit	P
June Lee	Wayne County	A
Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	P
Jon Moore	Macomb County	P
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	A
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	A
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	P
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	P
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	V

Absent (A); Present (P); Virtual (V) means participating online, yet unable to vote on official business.

RTA Representatives Present:

Ben Stupka, Melanie Piana, Julia Roberts, Corri Wofford, Kristin Caffray, Travis Grubb, Khalil Davis, Isaac Constans, Kameron Bloye, Rachel Schmuhl, Dasia Mack

Other Meeting Participants:

Rehmann - Michelle Hodges
Mario Morrow Associates (MMA) - Ryan Bridges
Bhadala - Farai Gundan

3. Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Treasurer Wheeler Smith and supported by Member Moore. The agenda for February 20, 2025, was approved. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Board of Directors members	Government Entity	Vote
Jeannette Bradshaw	Oakland County	Y
Freman Hendrix (Secretary)	City of Detroit	Y
June Lee	Wayne County	A
Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	Y
Jon Moore	Macomb County	Y
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	A
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	A
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	V

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4. Public Comment

- Brother Cunningham spoke about the DDOT Virtual Community Input Meeting on Thursday, February 20, from 5 – 7 PM. Cunningham offered the call in number (+1(312)626-6799) and the meeting ID number (96268082855) for virtual participants. He also offered the following phone number for additional questions: (313) 444-9144.

5. Executive Directors Report

- Executive Director Stupka presented the following topics:
 - Big News at the RTA: Federal Funding, Executive Budget, and the Governor’s Road Funding Proposal
 - RTA Departments: Administration, Communications, and Core Business
 - QLINE: Ridership, On Time Performance, Delays, Safety
 - D2A2 and DAX Ridership Trends
 - Mobility Wallet, Access to Transit (ATP), and the Corridors Framework initiatives
 - Policy and Coalition Building Strategies

6. Presentations

a. Federal and State Formula Funding Overview

- Julia Roberts presented the following topics:
 - Funding Responsibilities
 - FY 2025 Federal Funding Formula
 - Provider Expectations

- Next Steps

7. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of the January 2025 Board Meeting Summary

b. Approval of January 2025 Financial Report

- Moved by Treasurer Wheeler Smith and supported by Secretary Hendrix. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Board of Directors members	Government Entity	Vote
Jeannette Bradshaw	Oakland County	Y
Freman Hendrix (Secretary)	City of Detroit	Y
June Lee	Wayne County	A
Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	Y
Jon Moore	Macomb County	Y
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	A
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	A
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	V

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8. Closed Session

a. Executive Director Performance Review

Chair Massaron requested the board to make a motion to go into closed session for the purpose of Executive Director personnel performance evaluation. Moved by Secretary Hendrix and supported by Member Bradshaw. The board went into closed session at 1:32 PM.

- The board ended closed session and opened up the public meeting at 1:46 PM.
- After the closed session, Chair Massaron asked the board to add a new resolution for the RTA Board of Directors to adopt and document a positive review of Executive Director Stupka’s performance, to approve Mr. Stupka’s bonus increase and to provide a compensation adjustment/raise equal to that which was given to the staff of the RTA, in accordance with his contract.
- Moved by Member Moore and supported by Treasurer Wheeler Smith. The board adopted the resolution unanimously.

9. Regular Agenda

a. Approval of State Application Resolution

- Executive Director Stupka spoke on the State Application Resolution.
- Moved by Treasurer Wheeler Smith and supported by Member Bradshaw to approve the state application resolution. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

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Jeannette Bradshaw	Oakland County	Y
Freman Hendrix (Secretary)	City of Detroit	Y
June Lee	Wayne County	A
Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	Y
Jon Moore	Macomb County	Y
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	A
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	A
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	V

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10. New Business

There was no new business.

11. Meeting adjourned at 1:49 PM.