

# MINUTES

## COORDINATED TRANSIT COMMITTEE



Wednesday, April 17, 2024 | 10:30a

Boardroom - Main Level of the Metro Transit Building

Virtual Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88025031655?pwd=cFd5ZTRJN0VCV1E5QThjMndlMFpDUT09>

**(All voting members or prospective voting members must be physically present for attendance)**

*Committee members or members of the public seeking accommodations to attend or provide feedback to the meeting should contact Court Barber, Transportation Planner, at 402-444-6866 or [cbarber@mapacog.org](mailto:cbarber@mapacog.org).*

### Attendance

Melanie Davis - Munroe Meyer Institute  
Rich Surber - Lutheran Family Services  
Colleen Plasek - Ponca Tribe of Nebraska  
Cory Hale - Community Alliance  
Rich McFall - Nebraska VR  
Tami Jenson - City of Council Bluffs  
Tammy Bradley - Florence Home  
Bridget Battafarano - Metro Transit  
\*Kailey Stanely - La Vista  
\*Brandon Smith - OPS  
\*Mark Lander - SWITA

10:33a order

Meeting did not meet quorum.

## Action Items

### For CTC Approval

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the February 21, 2024 and March 20, 2024 CTC Meetings  
MAPA Staff presented meeting minutes from the prior meeting for approval. No action taken due to lack of quorum.

### Recommendations for TTAC Approval

2. Committee Bylaws Update  
Court Barber presented updated bylaws for the committee's consideration.

McFall asked if the quorum number should be changed to a percentage.

McFall asked if new members should be tracked for purposes of becoming voting members.

Barber explained how it has worked in the past.

Davis brought up the desire to have an orientation meeting.

McFall brought up the idea of automatic voting suspension with the CTC being able to reinstate the member. Davis said she feels that is similar to how we have been operating. Surber added that confirming membership annually would be helpful. McFall and Davis said the complexity of the topics make regular attendance important.

McFall asked if the committee would like to include something about TTAC representation. Parker and Davis said they are willing to attend TTAC.

McFall asked if the meeting is hybrid, Barber said it is.

Morales noted that TTAC is also available live on YouTube.

McFall brought up the use of co-chair vs chair and vice-chair.

The group discussed the duties of the chairs and the MAPA liaison

Parker said she feels Davis and McFall are doing very well

Davis said she feels the committee should work toward increasing diversity of representation and that simplifying the language in the bylaws would help.

McFall asked to go over some of the responsibilities listed in the bylaws. Barber and Morales provided some background on the items, Barber suggested a presentation on some of the work products.

Davis suggested a meeting that touches on all of these responsibilities each year, particularly the work products. Barber agreed and said it could be an orientation-style item each July.

## Discussion Items

### 3. 5310 Program Update

Court Barber presented information on vehicle availability and the next call for projects.

McFall would like awardees to provide their voices to the conversation about the burden of increased match due to the increase in vehicle costs. Members discussed the needs and how to present this in the future.

### 4. Regional Public Transportation Service Discussion

Court Barber, Rich McFall, and Melanie Davis continued the conversation started at the January 2024 meeting about service gaps and what the CTC can do to help.

Davis said given that we just want to do a short trip doing this in May is probably achievable.

Bradley and Parker said it would be best to keep it authentic.

Surber suggested connecting with ORBT to show different types of service.

The committee discussed the logistics, including potential difficulties with wheel/power chair users.

Surber brought up Metro's change from Omaha's transit authority to a regional transit authority.

The committee may be interested in providing information to the candidates.

### 5. Additional Business & Public Comment

Any additional business can be brought up by members and an opportunity for public comment will be provided.

McFall moved to adjourn, Jenson seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:04p

**After the meeting if anyone would like to learn more about using Moby, Melanie has a pickup scheduled for 11:45a and you are welcome to stick around and see how the boarding process works.**

## Future Meetings & Events

TTAC: Friday, April 19, 2024

MAPA Board of Directors: Thursday, April 25, 2024

CTC: Wednesday, May 15, 2024