

Minutes

COORDINATED TRANSIT COMMITTEE



Wednesday, June 12, 2024 | 10:30a

Boardroom - Main Level of the Metro Transit Building

Virtual Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86478858345?pwd=59MhCd18b2DFENDbzFaR4aozOfYAXEw.1>

(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.

Attendance

Rich McFall - Nebraska VR

Cory Hale - Community Alliance

Rich Surber - Lutheran Family Service

Donna Monteleagre - City of Papillion

Tami Jenson - City of Council Bluffs

Brandon Smith - Omaha Public Schools

Colleen Plasek - Ponca Tribe of Nebraska

Allica Johnson - Metro Transit

Randy Stonys - Eastern Nebraska Human Services Agency

*Kailey Stanely - La Vista

*Lois Jordan - Florence Home for the Aged

*Ann Erickson - Florence Home for the Aged

*Anne Brodin - UCP of Nebraska

McFall called the meeting to order at 10:34a.

Meeting did not meet quorum.

Action Items

For CTC Approval

1. Approval of Minutes from the [February 21, 2024](#), [March 20, 2024](#), and [April 17, 2024](#) Meetings
MAPA Staff did not present meeting minutes as we did not reach quorum.
2. Election of Officers for MAPA's Fiscal Year 2025 (July - June)
The CTC will make nominations at the next meeting to vote for officers for the new fiscal year as we did not reach quorum.

McFall and Barber brought up the current discussion surrounding extending officer terms from one year to two, with McFall preferring to keep it to one year terms.

Recommendations for TTAC Approval

3. [Committee Bylaws Amendment](#)

Court Barber and Rich McFall presented updated bylaws for the committee's consideration.

Lois Jordan asked for clarification regarding voting and attendance abilities for the current and new bylaws. Barber clarified that under the current bylaws you cannot vote and attending virtually counts as one of your three absences that threaten your voting privileges. The new bylaws will not give you the right to vote virtually, but being virtual counts as attending and will not count as one of your three absences.

Barber noted that he will strike unexcused absences from the bylaws. McFall noted that we will strike consecutive from the requirements of three absences. McFall brought up the idea that once your voting privileges are automatically revoked, you must attend one meeting that you can't vote at, and then the following meeting there will be a vote to reinstate your voting privileges. Barber brought up the option that the vote to reinstate voting privileges will have a date which will allow the committee to decide when their voting privileges are reinstated.

Jenson asked if we can have another meeting to see the new bylaws with the proposed changes. Barber noted that he would prefer to get it to TTAC so we can operate under the new rules sooner rather than later, but if CTC prefers to wait for another meeting to see the revised changes in July, that can be done. McFall suggested that Barber send out the updated bylaws to the members of the CTC for comment by this week, with the comments deadline being next Tuesday. Then the bylaws will be presented to TTAC in June.

Recommendations for MAPA Board Approval

4. [5310 Program Management Plan \(PMP\) Amendment](#)

Court Barber presented a change to the PMP that enables an 85-15 funding split for replacement vehicles providing service required by the ADA.

Barber asked if there are any objections to adding a 85-15 funding split, with CTC having no objections.

Discussion Items

5. [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.

Barber asked what people thought of the transit service field trip for Metro fixed route service. CTC members noted that they liked the transit service. Johnson noted the ongoing supply chain issues to maintain the ORBT buses. McFall stated that often people may not take the bus because they are unsure how it works and may feel uncomfortable taking it for the first time. Hale noted that they have taken a specialist out to ride with some of the people they work with for their first time to show them how riding the bus works.

Surber said that we teach teenagers how to drive, but we don't teach them how to ride transit. We should as it would be an easier program and would make it more comfortable for people to

take it. And it would save people money as when transit works it's cheaper than using vehicles considering the cost of insurance and vehicles.

6. Additional Business & Public Comment

Metro's Moby applications were brought up as they are being revised.

McFall noted that it may be more beneficial to pursue future fixed route transit service tours than Moby demo/tours, but if we want to learn more about Moby that we can speak to and work with Johnson as she has a lot of insight and information into how it works.

Future Meetings & Events

TTAC: Friday, June 21, 2024

MAPA Board of Directors: Thursday, June 27, 2024

CTC: Wednesday, July 17, 2024

RPAC: Friday, August 2, 2024

Meeting Quorum: The presence of seven (7) members of the CTC at an officially called meeting shall constitute a quorum.