

PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY BOARD

Advisory committee to the Mayor on public transit issues

Meeting Minutes

for the meeting on May 20, 2013

Members present:

Deb Nelson
Jean Crowe
Erik Gaikowski
Julie Johnson Dresbach
Megan Myers
Greg Johnson

Public in attendance:

Charles Santee
Britani Foreng
Kira Johnson
Chad Powell
Joe Dvorak

PTAB Members absent:

Jim Madsen

Staff present:

Dennis Erckfritz, Operations Manager
Bill McCarty, Maintenance Manager
Tierza Lanham, Paratransit Manager
Sam Trebilcock, Transportation Planner
Amber Gibson, Sioux Falls MPO
Randy Hartman, Assistant GM
Eric Meyerson, General Manager

Call to order

Greg Johnson, Chair, called the Public Transit Advisory Board (PTAB) meeting to order at 3:45 p.m. and made introductory comments.

1. Approval of April 22, 2013, PTAB Meeting Minutes

Julie Johnson Dresbach made a motion to accept the April 22nd, 2013, PTAB meeting minutes with one change for adjournment of the meeting to 5:45 p.m. Deb Nelson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Public input on non-agenda items:

Charles Santee told the Board that the Bus 903 farebox is indicating that all coins are invalid even though they are valid. Charles also said that many of the wheelchair tie downs on the fixed route busses are inadequate.

3. Old Business

Transit Fare and Operation Analysis

Sam Trebilcock provided the Board with a draft list of transit service priorities. Fixed-route service and associated services within $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of the fixed route services are the number one priority. All PTAB members agreed. PTAB spent the most time discussing the importance of the services outside the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile service area vs school tripper routes. PTAB agreed with the remaining prioritization of services. This item was informational only.

4. New Business – Transit Bus Stop Signs

Sam Trebilcock provided the Board with a recommended design for new bus stop signs. The Transit Marketing Committee went through several designs and selected the design for Sioux Area Metro. Julie Johnson Dresbach made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Marketing Committee and move forward with installation. Jean Crowe seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Reports:

a. April Operations Report

Eric Meyerson provided a report on the ridership statistics of Sioux Area Metro for April. This item was informational.

b. Transit Marketing Committee

Randy Hartman told the Board about some of Sioux Area Metro's outreach activities over the past month. Randy also told the Board that the SAM radio ads are now running on several area radio stations. This item was informational.

6. Other Business:

PTAB thanked Julie Johnson Dresbach for her six years of service to the Board. Sam Trebilcock asked Julie to return to next month's meeting to receive a plaque of appreciation for those years of service. Sam Trebilcock also reminded PTAB that the paratransit service change resolution will be on the City Council agenda for May 21st. No other business was offered.

7. Adjournment

Julie Johnson Dresbach made a motion to adjourn and Jean Crowe seconded the motion. Greg Johnson adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.