

**RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Transportation Conference Room  
269 Melrose Street, Providence  
Minutes of Thursday, May 30, 2019  
3:00 p.m.

**Board Members**

**Present:** Karen A. Santilli, Board Treasurer; Maureen Martin, Board Secretary; Mark Susa; Stephen Devine (for Peter Alviti).

**Absent:** Stephanie Ogidan Preston, Board Vice Chair; Princess Sirleaf Bomba; Peter Alviti; and Joshua Brumberger.

**Also Present:** Scott Avedisian, Chief Executive Officer; Christopher Fragomeni, Board Counsel; Elizabeth Silvestre, Executive Assistant; members of RIPTA's staff; and members of the public.

**Agenda Item 1: Approval of the Minutes from April 22, 2019.**

Ms. Santilli makes a motion to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2019 Board meeting. Mr. Devine seconds and it passes with favorable votes by Ms. Martin and Mr. Susa.

**Agenda Item 2: Public Comment.**

1. Tom Cute: Expresses concerns over Bus Operator safety and asks to install barriers.
2. Arthur Morelli: Commends RIPTA Director of Public Affairs on recent conversation with Talk Radio.

**Agenda Item 3: CEO Report.**

Mr. Avedisian provides updates on the electric bus and services in Quonset, East Bay, and the Hospitality Association. Mr. Avedisian also discusses the American Bus Benchmarking Group (ABBG) site visit.

**Agenda Item 4: Information Technology Department's Request for Virtual Infrastructure Upgrade**

Gary Jarvis, Chief Technology Officer and Matthew Salisbury, Senior Network/Systems Administrator of RIPTA, present a request for a for virtual infrastructure upgrade.

Mr. Devine makes a motion to approve the request. Ms. Santilli seconds and the motion passes with favorable votes by Ms. Martin and Mr. Susa.

**Agenda Item 5: Procurement Department's Request for Drive-On Lift Rehabilitation, IFB 19-16**

Michael McGrane, Contract Manager and Bernard Harwood, Director of Maintenance of RIPTA, present a request for the approval of drive-on lift rehabilitation.

Ms. Santilli makes a motion to approve the request. Mr. Devine seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Ms. Martin and Mr. Susa.

**Agenda Item 6:      Planning Department’s Request for Transit Signal Prioritization Contract Years Two through Ten.**

Gregory Nordin, Director of Planning and Zachary Agush, Planner of RIPTA present a request for approval of the Transit Signal Prioritization contract, for years two through ten.

Ms. Santilli makes a motion to approve the request. Mr. Devine seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Ms. Martin and Mr. Susa.

**Agenda Item 7:      Fare Project Update.**

Amy Pettine, Chief of Strategic Advancement and Mr. Nordin of RIPTA, present an update of the fare project.

**Agenda Item 8:      Adjournment 03:50 p.m.**

Ms. Santilli moves to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Devine seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Ms. Martin and Mr. Susa.

Respectfully submitted,

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Maureen Martin, Secretary