

RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Cisco WebEx Video Conference
Meeting number: 146 626 8344
Minutes of Thursday, July 16, 2020
12:30 p.m.

Board Members

Present: Normand Benoit, Board Chair; Michelle Wilcox, Board Treasurer; Maureen Martin, Board Secretary; Robert Kells; and Peter Alviti.

Absent: Joshua Brumberger, Board Vice Chair; and Jose Rosario.

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

Call to order: Mr. Benoit called the meeting to order at 12:36 p.m., indicating that a quorum was present.

Agenda Item 1: **To Consider for Approval the Draft Public Session Meeting Minutes of June 26, 2020.**

Mr. Alviti makes a motion to approve the draft public session meeting minutes of June 26, 2020. Ms. Martin seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Ms. Wilcox, and Mr. Benoit.

Mr. Kells did not participate in consideration of this agenda item.

Agenda Item 2: **Public Comment.**

1. Amy Glidden: Equity concerns with beach buses. Asks RIPTA to coordinate with Governor's Office and DEM to include bus riders in plans for next summer.
2. Randall Rose: Concerns with beach buses, and lack of bus rider involvement in RIDOT's Kennedy Plaza meetings.

Agenda Item 3: **CEO Report.**

Mr. Avedisian provides updates on Meals on Wheels, Honeywell, Family Service of Rhode Island, and the Office of Healthy Aging.

Agenda Item 4: **Request for Approval to proceed with Third CARES Act grant with FTA.**

Mr. Avedisian presets a request for the approval of a third CARES Act grant with the Federal Transit Administration.

Mr. Alviti makes a motion to approve the request. Ms. Martin seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Ms. Wilcox, and Mr. Benoit.

Mr. Kells did not participate in consideration of this agenda item.

Agenda Item 5: **Request for Approval to proceed with Third CARES Act grant with FTA.**

This agenda item was deferred.

Agenda Item 6: **Adjournment 12:51 p.m.**

Mr. Alviti moves to adjourn the meeting for lack of a quorum. Ms. Wilcox seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Ms. Martin, and Mr. Benoit.

Mr. Kells did not participate in consideration of this agenda item.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Martin, Secretary