

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF: Regular Meeting of the SORTA Board of Trustees

DATE: Tuesday, March 11, 2008, 9:35 a.m.
The SORTA/Metro Board Room
1014 Vine Street, Suite 2000
Cincinnati, Ohio, 45202

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Robert W. Buechner; Margaret C. Gutsell; Stephan M. Louis;
William L. Mallory, Sr.; Melody Sawyer Richardson; Jim Tarbell;
Lamont Taylor

STAFF MEMBERS

PRESENT: Michael H. Setzer, H. Theodore Bergh, Marilyn G. Shazor,
Bill Desmond, Sallie Hilvers, Tim Reynolds, Donna Adkins, Perriann Allen,
Anne Cormier, Charlaire Craig, John Davis, Colin Groth, Troy Miller,
Mark O'Reilly, Mike Restle, Carole Senior

OTHERS: Rich Moore, Vorys Sater Seymour & Pease; Will Scott, Veolia Transportation

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Richardson, Chair of the Board, noted the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order.

HEARINGS FROM CITIZENS

Mrs. Richardson asked if there were any citizens who would like to address the board. There were none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Taylor made a motion that the minutes of the February 25, 2008, regular meeting be approved as previously mailed and Mr. Mallory seconded the motion. By voice vote, the Board unanimously approved the minutes.

MEET THE TEAM

Mr. Setzer introduced Charlaire Craig, a new employee who is Executive Assistant to the Everybody Rides Metro foundation, and Mark O'Reilly, a Fleet & Facilities Foreman based at Bond Hill who came up with the idea for a C.A.R.E. banner to hang at all of Metro's facilities.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**JOINT OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

Planning and Development Committee Chair Mr. Buechner stated that a combined meeting of the Operations and Management and the Planning and Development committees met immediately before the board meeting. The following items from the combined committee were presented to the Board:

1. Proposed Resolution No. 2008-18: Approval of Contract for Video Parts and Hardware Upgrade

Mr. Buechner moved for adoption and Mr. Mallory seconded the motion. This resolution awards to Anixter, Executive Security, E&H and Mobilcomm a contract for video parts and hardware upgrade at a total cost not to exceed \$41,374.62. The resolution further authorizes the CEO/General Manager or the CFO/Secretary-Treasurer to execute the contract on behalf of SORTA. Funds for this contract were provided by the Department of Homeland Security's 2006 Transit Security Grant.

By roll call vote the Board unanimously approved Resolution No. 2008-18.

2. Proposed Resolution No. 2008-19: Approval of Contract to Provide Storage Area Network System

Dr. Gutsell moved for adoption and Mr. Louis seconded the motion. This resolution awards a contract to provide a Storage Area Network System to DLP Technologies and authorizes and directs the CEO/General Manager or the CFO/Secretary-Treasurer to sign the contract at a total cost not to exceed \$75,000.

By roll call vote the Board unanimously approved Resolution No. 2008-19.

3. Proposed Resolution No. 2008-20: Approval of Agreement with Butler County Regional Transit Authority

Mr. Louis moved for adoption and Dr. Gutsell seconded the motion. This resolution approves the agreement extension between SORTA and the Butler County Regional Transit Authority for the continuation of services and authorizes the CEO/General Manager or the CFO/Secretary-Treasurer to execute the contract on behalf of SORTA at a total cost to Butler County of \$600,000.

By roll call vote the Board unanimously approved Resolution No. 2008-20.

4. Executive Session – Personnel Matter

Mrs. Richardson made a motion that the board go into executive session as provided in Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22 (G)(1) to discuss personnel matters and Mr. Buechner seconded the motion. By roll call vote, the Board approved the motion and went into executive session at 9:44 a.m.

Mrs. Richardson made a motion that the Board return to regular session and Mr. Mallory seconded the motion. By roll call vote the Board unanimously approved the motion and returned to the board room to start the board meeting at 10:05 a.m.

5. Proposed Resolution No. 2008-21: First Amendment to General Manager Services Agreement

Mr. Buechner moved for adoption and Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. This resolution approves the First Amendment to the General Manager Services agreement replacing CEO/General Manager Michael H. Setzer with Chief Operation Officer Marilyn G. Shazor for the duration of Mr. Setzer's original contract which is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2009. The resolution further authorizes the board chair and/or vice chair to execute such First Amendment on behalf of SORTA.

By roll call vote the Board approved Resolution No. 2008-21.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

There was no General Manager's Report

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Shazor accepted the board's recommendation that she be appointed as Metro's Chief Executive Officer and thanked the board for their confidence in her. Mrs. Richardson also thanked Mr. Setzer for his invaluable leadership through some very tough and challenging times during the past four years.

Mrs. Richardson adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

APPROVED:

ATTESTED:

Melody Sawyer Richardson
Chair

H. Theodore Bergh
Secretary-Treasurer