

Transportation Advisory Committee (Thursday, April 15, 2021)

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Members present

Laura Carrington, Adam Dyson, Melinda Lyon, George Clark, Thomas Rogers

Meeting called to order at 1:00PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call: A. Roll Call

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

4. OLD BUSINESS

Action: A. Approve January 28, 2021 minutes
Action tabled as minutes were never distributed.

Motion by George Clark, second by Thomas Rogers. Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Laura Carrington, Adam Dyson, Melinda Lyon, George Clark, Thomas Rogers

Action: B. Review/Update Action Item List

5. NEW BUSINESS

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

7. ADJOURN

Action: A. Meeting Adjourned
I move to adjourn the meeting at 1:38PM.

Motion by Adam Dyson, second by Thomas Rogers. Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yea: Laura Carrington, Adam Dyson, Melinda Lyon, George Clark, Thomas Rogers

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Members present:

Laura Carrington – Chair
Thomas Rodgers – Vice Chair
Adam Dyson – Voting Member
George Clark- Tri County Council
Melinda Lyon – SMNCI representative
Allison Swint – Deputy Director, Transportation

Meeting called to order at 1:00 PM

Roll Call: All required voting members present, quorum reached. County Liaison and two committee members-at-large present

Chair Report

The past year has been a challenge to the TAC. Amidst a global pandemic, we have seen decreased ridership, community involvement and have struggled to retain board members. This year, however, presents a unique opportunity to rebuild so we can better serve our community. At the suggestion of our new county liaison, committee members compiled a list of goals. It has been revised to be clear, concise and free of redundancy. Per our discussion during the January TAC meeting, the committee will work towards the completion of these goals, which hopefully will serve as a metric for our success.

Review of New Committee goals

Review of Agenda Goals:

Transportation Service Improvements

1. Evaluate routes/schedules
2. Rebuild ridership
3. More bus shelters/ transfer facilities
4. Reduce the number of flag stops for safety concerns

Community Outreach and Expansion goals.

1. Rebuild community involvement/meeting attendance
 1. Notify the public of TAC conference attendance abilities via web conference (zoom/Cisco WebEx/ Microsoft Teams/ Google Meet etc)
 2. Promote CSM/SMCM student involvement
2. Bus route extension to CSM Hughesville, eventually including La Plata Campus
3. Addressing driver turn-over.

Environmental Concerns

1. Green impact review

Covid Outreach

1. Use STS to Connect citizens in need with food pantries in SM county churches
2. Bolster the role for STS public transportation in supporting Public Health recommendations in the county

Discussion 1:

Chair suggests immediate creation of subcommittees to address committee goal list

Discussion 2:

George Clark- Tri-County Council advises a voting member be identified to keep minutes in the absence of an officer designated as Secretary

Voting Member Adam Dyson agrees to record minutes for future meeting. Chair agrees to take minutes for current meeting

George Clark advises for future meetings, previous meeting minutes be approved following Roll Call

Chair reviews status of the previous meeting's minutes

Discussion 3:

Action: George Clark motions to add recording of board member attendance to meeting agenda. County Liaison Allison Swint advises this action is already accounted for.

Motion withdrawn.

Discussion 4:

George Clark offers to assist/review TAC agenda layout in preparation for July meeting. Chair accepts. Agenda item created to recruit new officer to fill in as Secretary.

ANNOUNCEMENT: upcoming Tri-County Council WABA event

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion 5:

Chair proposes advertising available positions and membership for the TAC via the library or over radio. George Clark advises public notices and press releases are free, and suggests reaching out to County Department of Economics and Chamber of Commerce.

ADJOURNMENT

Adam Dyson motions to adjourn, Vice Chair Thomas Rodgers seconds. Meeting Adjourned 1:38PM