



**Board of Directors
Board Room
269 Melrose Street, Providence, RI
Minutes of Wednesday, August 17, 2022 Meeting
1:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Normand Benoit, Board Chair; Robert Kells, Board Vice Chair; Michelle Wilcox, Board Treasurer; Patrick Crowley, Board Secretary; and James Leach.

Absent Members: Peter Alviti, Marcy Reyes and Heather Schey

Also Present: Scott Avedisian, CEO; Edward Pare III, Esq. (for Christopher Fragomeni, Esq.), Board Counsel; Roy Rivers, Executive Paralegal; members of RIPTA's staff; and members of the public.

Call to Order: Mr. Benoit called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m., indicating that a quorum was present.

Agenda Item 1: **To Consider for Approval the Draft Regular Meeting Minutes of the July 20, 2022 Meeting**

Mr. Kells makes a motion to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2022 meeting. Mr. Leach seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Mr. Benoit, Mr. Kells, Mr. Crowley, and Mr. Leach. Ms. Wilcox abstained.

Agenda Item 2: **To Consider for Approval the Draft Executive Session Meeting Minutes of the July 20, 2022 Meeting**

Ms. Wilcox noted that she was not present at the Executive Session meeting held on July 20, 2022. Mr. Kells makes a motion to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2022 Executive Session meeting, as amended to reflect that Ms. Wilcox was not present during the Executive Session meeting. Mr. Leach seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Mr. Benoit, Mr. Kells, Mr. Crowley, and Mr. Leach. Ms. Wilcox abstained.

Mr. Crowley makes a motion to keep the July 20, 2022 Executive Session Meeting Minutes sealed. Ms. Wilcox seconds, and the motion passes with favorable votes by Mr. Benoit, Mr. Kells, Ms. Wilcox, Mr. Crowley, and Mr. Leach.

Agenda Item 3: Public Comment

Grant Dulgarian. Mr. Dulgarian advised the Board that the bus schedule rack at Kennedy Plaza was missing, and that the bus scrolls contain no data. He also requested that RIPTA inquire as to the cost of a direct mailing to all households on the bus routes.

Patricia Raub. Ms. Raub advised that there were damaged and dirty shelters, providing photographs depicting the conditions of certain shelters, and she raised the issue of cancelled trips.

Agenda Item 4: CEO Report

Mr. Avedisian updated the Board on the following:

1. Frog and Toad Collaboration
2. Congressman Cicilline's Annual Senior Resource Fair
3. NEPTA Expo
4. Pineapple Program
5. In the News
6. Tweet
7. Commendation
8. Employee Spotlight
9. Actual Budget
10. Monthly Ridership
11. On Time Performance
12. Cumulative Performance Review
13. Cumulative Performance Detail

Agenda Item 5: Request for Authorization to Award a Contract to Cummins, Inc. for the supply and delivery of engine replacement kits for the 2013, 2016, and 2019 Gillig Bus Fleets

John Chadwick, Executive Director of Procurement and Inventory, presents the request.

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

Agenda Item 6: Request for Authorization to Award a Contract to Conduent Transport Solutions for a Hardware/Software Agreement for the OrbCad/AVL System.

Gary Jarvis, Chief Technology Officer, presents the request.

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

Agenda Item 7: Request for Authorization to Award a Contract to Tower Construction Corporation to furnish and install twenty-three high speed rubber roll-up doors in the Transportation Building, Chafee Building, and Newport Garage.

James Canty, Executive Director of Project Management and Matt Quider, Project Manager, present the request.

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

Agenda Item 8: Adjournment - 2:11 p.m.

Ms. Wilcox makes a motion to adjourn. Mr. Crowley seconds and the motion passes with favorable votes by Mr. Benoit, Mr. Kells, Ms. Wilcox, Mr. Crowley, and Mr. Leach.

Respectfully submitted,

Board Secretary