



**Topeka Metro  
Board of Directors Minutes  
April 17, 2023**

MEMBER'S NAME	ORGANIZATION	PRESENT / ABSENT / EXCUSED
Dr. Alan Bearman, Chair	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Scott Tummons, Vice-Chair	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Joseph Ledbetter	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Rodd Miller	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Fatima Perez-Luthi	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Candis Meerpohl	Topeka Metro	Present via ZOOM
Beverly Hall	Topeka Metro	Present via ZOOM

Staff/Visitors	ORGANIZATION	PRESENT / ABSENT / EXCUSED
Bob Nugent, General Manager	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Richard Appelhanz, CFO Officer	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Keri Renner, Director of Marketing and Communications	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Andy Fry, Director of Planning	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
John Cassidy, Legal Counsel	Topeka Metro	Present QSS
Jared Culbertson, Director of Information Technology	Topeka Metro	Present QSS & via ZOOM
Denise Ensley, Chief Financial Officer	Topeka Metro	Present via ZOOM
Alan Parrish, Director of Maintenance & Facilities	Topeka Metro	Present via ZOOM
Terri Miller, Director of Human Resources	Topeka Metro	Present via ZOOM

TOPIC	KEY DISCUSSION	RECOMMENDED ACTION / STATUS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
<b>Call to Order</b>	Called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.	7 of 7 members present	Alan Bearman
	Receive agenda from study session 3-10-23 & BOD meeting 3-20-23. BOD meeting did not meet quorum.	<b>MOTION:</b> Scott Tummons moved, and Beverly Hall seconded the motion to approve the March 10, 2023, study session notes and March 20, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed 7-0.	
<b>Public Comment</b>	No public in attendance.		
<b>Department Reports</b>			
Planning Report	Andy reported that ridership is going up and was last month as well. Rodd asked Andy to explain the MOD ridership heatmap.		Andy Fry
Operations Report	Operations report as submitted.		Denise Ensley
Maintenance Report	Alan reported that the IT equipment will be relocated to Denise’s former office at QSS as part of the renovation.		Alan Parrish
Finance Report	Finance report as submitted.	<b>MOTION:</b> Joe Ledbetter moved, and Rodd Miller seconded the motion to accept the financial report for March 31, 2023, as presented. The motion was unanimously approved 7–0.	Richard Appelhanz
<b>Action Items</b>	Richard updated the board regarding the TMTA investment policy. Took some language from the State of Kansas. Richard requested the board to accept the changes to the investment policy.	<b>MOTION:</b> Rodd Miller moved, and Joe Ledbetter seconded the motion to approve the updated TMTA investment policy. The motion was approved 7-0.	Richard Appelhanz



		<p>and have a ride along trip within the zone.</p> <p>Keri created MOD postcards and they will be mailed to those in the MOD zone. The hope is to see an increase in MOD riders after the postcards are delivered. Future plans are a few contests of some sort and also gather testimonials from riders and businesses. We've discussed pop-up tables at locations in MOD zone to promote and educate people.</p> <p>Bob said AMR reached out to us via a TMTA supervisor regarding a nursing service they have &amp; they thought MOD had some value in helping them. We will be checking with AMR to follow up.</p>	
<b>New Business</b>	<b>Board Officers for FY2024</b>	In May, TMTA votes on the chair and vice chair for the board. Scott Tummons will become chair. If anyone is interested in vice chair, let Alan Bearman know.	Alan Bearman/Rodd Miller
<b>Executive Session</b>	N/A		
<b>Adjourn</b>	Board meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.		Alan Bearman

Respectfully Submitted –



Keri Renner, Topeka Metro Board Secretary