

**MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
LOCAL COORDINATING BOARD FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED
(LCB-TD)**

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**Monday, August 31, 2020 at 10:30 A.M.
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER – The Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged (LCB-TD) Regular Meeting of August 31, 2020 was called to order at 10:30 A.M. by Mr. Merritt Matheson, Chair.

2. ROLL CALL

Members in Attendance:

Merritt Matheson, Chair, Elected Official

Phyl Weaver, Vice Chair, Representative for Persons over 60

Mary Jo Pirone, Citizen's Advocate/Rider Rep

Dalia Dillon, Department of Elder Affairs

Michelle Miller, Representative for the Economically Disadvantaged (FACA)

Milory Senate, Agency for Persons with Disabilities

Monique Coleman, Representative for Children At-Risk

Steven Wolfberg, Martin Health Solutions

Excused Members:

Kim Thorne, Representing Public Education Community

Raymond Rotruck, Citizen's Advocate

Reginald Waldon, Florida Department of Veteran's Affairs

Members Not In Attendance:

Danielle Jones, Florida Division of Vocational Rehab

Donna Mihok, Department of Children and Families

Gayle McArdle, Representative for Persons with Disabilities

Marie Dorismond, Florida Department of Transportation

Shelly Batton, CareerSource Research Coast

Staff in Attendance:

Joy Puerta, Planner

Ricardo Vazquez, Associate Planner

Florence Allen, Administrative Specialist III

Others in Attendance:

Chris Stephenson, Senior Resource Association

Melody Hearn, Family Care Council Area 15

Rolande Lazarre, Heavenly Place
Bob Driscoll, St. Lucie Council of Aging
Dana Elharintarayan, PIN
Lisa Peterson, Mona's Transportation

A quorum was present for the meeting.

3. APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Phyl Weaver to approve the August 31, 2020 LCB-TD Regular Meeting Agenda. A second was provided by Mary Jo Pirone. The motion passed unanimously.

4. APPROVE MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Phyl Weaver to approve the June 1, 2020 LCB-TD Regular Meeting Minutes. A second was provided by Ms. Dalia Dillon. The motion passed unanimously.

5. AGENDA ITEMS

A. QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORTS

Chris Stephenson with Senior Resource Association (SRA) provided the Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC) Quarterly Performance Report for the previous Fiscal Year, as well as the period covering July 1, 2020 through August 18, 2020 to include the number of trips taken, locations and the CTC COVID-19 impact and steps taken to ensure the safety of riders. SRA was approved for the Innovation and Service Development Grant again this fiscal year from the CTD for Dialysis trips in the 2020-2021 fiscal year. The Indiantown shuttle began on April 4th, 2020 and is operated by A Martin Transportation Services from 8am-5:45pm every Saturday. The Florida Developmental Disability Council in Tallahassee gave the SRA a \$150,000 grant for specialized transportation for people with developmental disabilities, which covers Indian River County, Martin County and St. Lucie County and it begins October 1, 2020. There was discussion on total ridership and the complaints and grievances along with discussion on no shows by vendors.

A motion was made by Ms. Phyl Weaver to approve the Quarterly Performance Reports. A second was provided by Ms. Mary Jo Pirone. The motion passed unanimously.

B. LCB-TD MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

LCB-TD Members introduced themselves and shared a brief introduction about who they are, who they represent, and how they are involved with the TD population.

C. CTC SELECTION UPDATE

Mr. Ricardo Vazquez presented the CTC Selection Update. MPO staff re-advertised an RFP on July 6, 2020. One proposal was submitted by the July 22, 2020 deadline by Senior Resource Association (SRA). The CTC Selection Committee met on August 10th to discuss and score the proposal. At the conclusion of the meeting, it was determined that SRA be recommended to the MPO Policy Board and the CTD as Martin County's CTC. Staff is looking for a motion to recommend the CTC Selection to the MPO Policy Board to recommend the CTC to the Commissioner of Transportation Disadvantaged to assign Senior Resource Association (SRA) as the CTC for Martin County for the next 4 ½ years. The recommendation will go before the MPO Policy Board on September 21, 2020 and they will make a recommendation and the MPO will write a letter and then send the information to the Transportation Disadvantaged and staff will make a presentation at one of the CTD meetings and the recommendation will be used at that meeting hoping they will approve the recommendation. Mr. Vazquez informed the committee that if they wanted to attend the meeting, to let him know and he'll provide the information.

A motion was made by Ms. Phyl Weaver to approve the recommendation of the CTC Selection Committee to recommend SRA as the Martin County CTC to the CTD. A second was provided by Ms. Marie Dorismond. The motion passed unanimously.

6. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS - None

7. COMMENTS FROM FDOT- None

8. COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC –

Rolande Lazarre, Heavenly Place commented about their contract as a vendor for SRA and not receiving trips. Chris Stephenson assured her that their contract has not been canceled and trips are being planned.

Lisa Peterson with Mona's Transportation commented that her company received a contract from SRA on August 11, 2020 with SRA and are no longer receiving trips.

Chair, Merritt Matheson encouraged the vendors to speak with Mr. Stephenson after the meeting.

9. NOTES - None

10. NEXT MEETING

- Regular Meeting December 7, 2020 at 10:00 am (4th Floor Workshop, Administration Bldg.)

11. ADJOURN

Seeing no other business items remaining on the Agenda and no additional comments, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:13 AM. RONR (10th ed.), p.233, c.(9).

Prepared by:

Florence Allen

Florence Allen, Administrative Specialist III

3/1/2021

Date

Approved by:

Merritt Matheson

Merritt Matheson, Chair

3/1/21

Date

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