METRO RTA

Board Of Trustees

PRESIDENT: MR. MARK DERRIG
VICE PRESIDENT: MS. DANA LAGARDE

JUNE 30, 2026
9:00AM

METRO RTA
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING AGENDA
ROBERT K. PFAFF TRANSIT CENTER BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2026
9:00 AM

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

ITEM 2: AUDIENCE PARTICPATION

The METRO RTA Board meets monthly, on the last Tuesday of the month, as stated within Resolution 2016-28, unless otherwise noted. Any individual or representative of a group may take three (3) minutes to address the Board on any given topic on the Board agenda. Individuals are required to appear in person and sign in at least five (5) minutes before the Board meeting begins.

METRO RTA welcomes, values and appreciates the varied opinions and comments from members of the public. To ensure that the meetings are respectful, peaceful and orderly, speakers are reminded to keep their comments respectful and appropriate for METRO RTA business. No personal attacks will be permitted.
The President has the authority to rule remarks out of order and remove individuals from the meeting.

ITEM 3: RECOGNITION | Eric Scott

- Amanda Bell, Passenger Commendation Received
- Robert Linear, Passenger Commendation Received
- Stephen Powers, Passenger Commendation Received

ITEM 4: BOARD MINUTES

*Approval of Board Meeting Minutes from the May meeting (Pages 5-8).
*Approval of Special Meeting Minutes from the June 8th meeting (Page 9 & 10).

ITEM 5: COMMITTEE REPORTS & RESOLUTIONS

Customer Experience & Service Performance Committee
(Maintenance / Operations / Mobility Solutions)
Vice Chair: Chrisine Marshall reporting on behalf of Chair John Valle

*Resolution 2026-16: A resolution authorizing the disposal or transfer of certain assets owned by METRO Regional Transit Authority. (Page 11)

*Resolution 2026-17: A resolution authorizing a contract between the Downtown Akron Partnership (DAP) and METRO for the cleaning, provision of safety patrols, and other services along Main Street and the Robert K. Pfaff (RKP) Transit Center. (Page 12)

Internal & External Engagement Committee
(Employee Engagement Center / Customer Care / PR & Marketing)
Chair: Chuck Rector
Vice Chair: Dana LaGarde

Culture & Planning Committee
(Planning & Community Impact)
Chair: Robert DeJournett
Vice Chair Dave Prentice

Finance & Technology Committee
(Finance & Technology)
Chair: Bob Konstand
Vice Chair: Nicole Squire

Development & Protection Committee
(Safety & Training)
Vice Chair Dana LaGarde reporting on behalf of Chair Renee Greene

ITEM 6: OTHER BUSINESS

ITEM 7: OFFICER'S REPORTS

- Board President
- Chief Executive Officer

ITEM 8: EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Pursuant to Ohio Revised Coded Section 121.22(G)(1) Public meeting exceptions allow for an Executive Session to consider the employment and compensation of public employee(s) or official(s).

ITEM 9: <u>CALL FOR ADJOURNMENT</u>

*Denotes items requiring Board approval

Next Scheduled Meeting – July 28th, 2026

METRO RTA
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
ROBERT K. PFAFF TRANSIT CENTER BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026
9:00 AM

Trustees' Present: Mark Derrig, Dana LaGarde, John Valle, Christine Marshall Donald Christian, Gary Spring, Dave Prentice, Chuck Rector, Robert DeJournett, Nicole Squire and Bob Konstand

Trustees Excused: Renee Greene

Trustees Absent:

Roetzel & Andress: Lauren Zidones

METRO Team Members Present: Dawn Distler, Angie Neeley, Tatia Harris, Gert Wilms, Jarrod Hampshire, Jay Hunter, Eric Scott, Shawn Metcalf, Quentin Wyatt, Jamie Saylor, DeHavilland McCall, Molly Becker, Laura Adkins, Grace Doyle, Kyle Moeglin, Alja Austin, Jamie Saylor, Bryn Overly-Nguyen, Lane Evans, and Leslie Rashid

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mark Derrig called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Wayne Cole
Mark Roberts
Joe Topoly

RECOGNITION:

Danny Adair, 25 Years of Service
Allen Potts, APTA Roadeo National Participant

APRIL BOARD MINUTES:

Mr. John Valle made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 28th meeting.

Mr. Robert DeJournett 2nd the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

MAY SPECIAL BOARD MINUTES:

Ms. Dana LaGarde made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 14th meeting.

Mr. Robert DeJournett 2nd the motion.

The motion carried with three abstentions, Mr. Bob Konstand, Mr. John Valle and Ms. Nicole Squire.

The minutes were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS & RESOLUTIONS

CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE & SERVICE PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
Chair: John Valle
Vice Chair: Christine Marshall

The Committee met on May 21st and KPIs were reviewed.

There were two resolutions.

RESOLUTION 2026-13:

A resolution authorizing the award of a task-order based contract for general architecture and engineering services.

The resolution was discussed.

Mr. John Valle made a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Christine Marshall 2nd the motion. All present voted “aye”. The resolution was approved.

RESOLUTION 2026-15:

A resolution authorizing a one-year extension of the maintenance and support agreement for the demand response scheduling software through Ecolane. USA

The resolution was discussed.

Mr. John Valle made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Donald Christian 2nd the motion. All present voted “aye”. The resolution was approved.

INTERNAL & EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT
Chair: Chuck Rector
Vice Chair: Dana LaGarde

The Committee met on May 21st and KPIs were reviewed.

There were no resolutions.

CULTURE & PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT
Chair: Robert DeJournett
Vice Chair: Dave Prentice

The Committee met on May 21st and KPI's were reviewed.

There were no resolutions.

FINANCE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE REPORT
Chair: Bob Konstand
Vice Chair: Nicole Squire

The Committee met on May 21st and the dashboard was reviewed.

There was one resolution.

RESOLUTION 2026-14:

A resolution authorizing the award of a contract for the purchase of Finance and HRIS.

The resolution was discussed.

Mr. Bob Konstand made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Robert DeJournett 2nd the motion. All present voted "aye". The resolution was approved.

PROTECTION & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT
Vice Chair Dana LaGarde reporting on behalf of Chair Renee Greene

The Committee met on May 21st and KPIs were reviewed.

There were no resolutions.

OTHER BUSINESS

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Board President:
Mr. Mark Derrig reminded the board members to keep their schedules open and hopefully the factfinder report will be in soon.

Chief Executive Officer:
Ms. Dawn Distler acknowledged and appreciated employee participation and comments, emphasizing the value of employee feedback and the organization's commitment to listening to its workforce. She stated that management continues to follow the required collective bargaining and fact-finding process and remains committed to reaching a fair and reasonable contract that recognizes and supports employees. The fact-finding report is expected to be received in the coming week, and efforts will continue toward a positive resolution while maintaining strong labor-management relationships.

Ms. Distler also commended staff for their diligence in reviewing contracts and procurement processes. He noted the organization’s increased focus on conducting thorough due diligence, evaluating contract options and ensuring responsible stewardship of taxpayer funds while securing high-quality services and tools for the transit system.

Ms. Distler congratulated Mr. Danny Adair on 25 years of service and recognized Mr. Allen Potts for representing the organization at the International Bus Roadeo, expressing appreciation for their dedication and accomplishments.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Donald Christian made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 am. Mr. John Valle 2nd the motion.

The next scheduled Board Meeting is June 30, 2026.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to Section III, Article 3.2 of the Rules & Regulations of the METRO Regional Transit Authority, METRO has complied with the Notice and Notification to the public and news media.

DATE APPROVED: June 30, 2026

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MARK DERRIG,
PRESIDENT

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DAWN DISTLER,
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/
SECRETARY-TREASURER

METRO RTA
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD MINUTES
416 KENMORE BLVD 2ND FLOOR BOARD ROOM
MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2026
5:00 PM

Trustees Present: Mark Derrig, Dana LaGarde, Robert DeJournett, Donald Christian, Bob Konstand, Nicole Squire, Christine Marshall, Renee Greene, Gary Spring, Dave Prentice, John Valle and Chuck Rector

Trustees Excused:

Trustees Absent:

Roetzel & Andress: Karen Adinolfi

McMahon Berger: Dan Fritz & Blaise Beebe

METRO Team Members Present: Dawn Distler, Tatia Harris, Jarrod Hampshire, Angela Neeley, Shawn Metcalf, Jay Hunter, Eric Scott, DeHavilland McCall, Molly Becker, Jamie Saylor, and Grace Doyle

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mark Derring called the meeting to order at 5:04 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Coded Section 121.22 (G)(1) Public meeting exceptions allow for an executive session to consider the employment and compensation of public employee(s) or official(s).

A roll call was conducted to enter Executive Session.

Mr. Mark Derrig made a motion to go into the Executive Session & entered Executive Session at 5:05 p.m.

Mr. Gary Spring made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Mr. John Valle 2nd the motion.

A roll call was conducted to exit Executive Session & Executive Session concluded at 6:31 p.m.

FACT FINDER REPORT

Following Executive Session, Mr. Bob Konstand made a motion to recommend acceptance of the Fact Finder's Report. Mr. John Valle 2nd the motion.

The motion carried, 11-1, with Mr. Dave Prentice opposed.

OTHER BUISNESS

CALL FOR ADJOURMENT

Mr. Robert DeJournett made the motion adjourn the meeting 6:32 p.m.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Pursuant to Section III, Article 3.2 of the Rules & Regulations of the METRO Regional Transit Authority, METRO has complied with the Notice and Notification to the public and news media.

DATE APPROVED: June 30, 2026

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DAWN S. DISTLER,
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/
SECRETARY-TREASURER

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Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-16

A resolution authorizing the disposal or transfer of certain assets owned by METRO Regional Transit Authority.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Authority's Property Disposition Procedures revised December 2018, and

WHEREAS, the following listed items no longer have a useful life and will be advertised and disposed of in fair and open competition via the GovDeals website:

VEHICLE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	VEHICLE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
2111	2011 40' Gillig CNG	2135	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2112	2011 40' Gillig CNG	2136	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2121	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2138	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2124	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2140	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2425	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2142	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2126	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2143	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2127	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2154	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2129	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2155	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2130	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2156	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2132	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2157	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2133	2012 40" Gillig CNG	2159	2012 40" Gillig CNG
2134	2012 40" Gillig CNG		

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of METRO Regional Transit Authority that:

1. The Chief Executive Officer/Secretary-Treasurer is hereby authorized to dispose of such items.
2. All formal actions of this Board of Trustees related to this Resolution and all deliberations of the Board of Trustees and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

DATE ADOPTED: June 30th, 2026

MARK DERRIG,
VICE PRESIDENT

DAWN DISTLER
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/
SECRETARY-TREASURER

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT:
CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION 2026-17

A resolution authorizing a contract between the Downtown Akron Partnership (DAP) and METRO for the cleaning, provision of safety patrols, and other services along Main Street and the Robert K. Pfaff (RKP) Transit Center.

WHEREAS METRO is a member of the Downtown Akron Partnership; and

WHEREAS this partnership includes METRO participating with DAP in costs incurred by DAP to perform bus stop cleaning and beautification; power washing; graffiti removal; escorts of METRO customers; safety tours; cleaning of the area along Main Street and the RKP Transit Center; and for providing safety patrols, snow removal, and various initiatives.

WHEREAS, the term of this contract will be for 12 months, July 1st, 2026, to June 30, 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the METRO Regional Transit Authority, that:

1. A contract will be awarded to Downtown Akron Partnership in the amount not to exceed $209,000.00.
2. The Chief Executive Officer/Secretary-Treasurer is authorized to execute all documents related to this resolution.
3. All formal actions of this Board of Trustees related to this Resolution and all deliberations of the Board of Trustees and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

DATE ADOPTED: June 30th, 2026

MARK DERRIG, **PRESIDENT**	**DAWN DISTLER,** **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/** **SECRETARY-TREASURER**