

Minutes
Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA)
Board Meeting, May 27, 2009, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM
United Way of Central Indiana
3901 N. Meridian Street
Indianapolis, IN 46208-0409
First Floor, RCI A B & C

Board Members Present:	Board Member Absent:	Others Present:	
Christine Altman	Joanne Sanders	Ehren Bingaman	Jen Thomas
Ron Deer	Linda Sanders	Leslie Wilson	Sean White
Jeff Quyle	David George	James Morrison	Kelly McNairy
Gil Holmes	Rob Thoman	Kathy Davis	Tom Beck
Jerry Bridges Proxy-Ryan Smith		Joanne Hamilton	John Myers
Bill Kirchoff	Bob Sterrett	Roger Hollands	Angie Gilmer
Sue Ritz	Mike Hale	John Young	Roscoe Brown
Larry Hesson	Chuck Fewell	Anita Beverly	Jennifer Pyrz
		Joe Wiesinger	Mike Terry
		Anna Tyszkiewicz	Dave Sander
		Brienne Delaney	Don Seal
		Maryanne O'Malley	Peter Johnson
		Timothy D. Watson DDS	
		Dennis Southerland	Irene Wegner
		Alexia Donahue Wold	
		Rhonda Klopfenstein	

The CIRTA Board meeting was called to order by Christine Altman at 9:10 AM. A quorum was not recognized. C. Altman asked that introduction of board members be completed. C. Altman requested to defer the consideration of the Minutes and move to the Executive Director's report.

Executive Director's Report:

a. Regional Transit Funding and Federal Appropriation Request-HB 1660 did not pass in the regular session of the General Assembly. Rep. Austin is planning to get the language introduced in the special session. E. Bingaman will circulate the language used by some of the county councils in supporting resolutions to the board members for use in their perspective counties. The IndyGo President declined the invitation for a joint Authorization request, although one has been submitted. Congressman Carson is carrying forward a \$5 million dollar request for Preliminary Engineering and grant processes will be used for later requests. E. Bingaman is working with local Congressional offices to present regional transit initiatives to local staff.

b. Regional Transit Vision-HNTB held an Institute which included an independent study of the regional transit vision. CIRTA will request a presentation of that information for the July meeting. Hendricks Express Bus-Danville and Hendricks Co. have passed local match resolutions. Work continues in Brownsburg and it is on the docket in Avon and Plainfield. IndyGo is working on site suitability, marketing and outreach. Rural/On-Demand Regional Transit Study-On-Board survey results and a draft of SWOT analysis is included in this board packet of information. Please give comments and feedback as soon as possible. CMAQ-another request is being prepared to continue and expand CICS services. Roscoe Brown is

working with Hamilton Co Transit and LINK Hendricks Co on JARC (Job Access Reverse Commute) funded local distribution routes tied to Express Bus services.

c. Northeast Corridor Rapid Transit DEIS-AA/DEIS RFP is out and responses are due by 4:00pm June 3, 2009. The goal is to have a decision by the end of June.

d. CIRTAs Organizational Challenges-Delaware Co has discussed merits of joining CIRTAs and have verbally committed to local funding with consideration of a resolution in June. Muncie and Yorktown are ready to pay 2009 and 2010 to join CIRTAs. E. Bingaman, J. Quyle and J. Bridges met with county leaders to discuss the merits and vision for transit in Putnam Co. Currently feedback from Putnam Co. is needed on how to proceed. E. Bingaman is currently working on script and talking points to go with presentation slides as well as developing a televised format of the presentation for use on public/city television, website and the You Tube channel.

e. Ball State Open House, Reception, and CIRTAs Board Meeting-CIRTAs has tentatively targeted June 23, 2009 for a reception with legislators and elected officials. The Office of the BSU President, JoAnn Gora has committed to co-sponsoring the event and we need additional partners. The June 24, 2009 CIRTAs Board meeting will be held there as well. More details will be circulated as they are finalized.

A quorum was recognized and C. Altman requested the agenda be amended at this point in the meeting to discuss Consideration of Minutes.

Consideration of Minutes-The Minutes of the April 22, 2009 CIRTAs board meeting were presented to the board. **G. Holmes moved to accept the minutes as presented. Bill Kirchoff seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

Old Business:

Finance Committee Report-C. Fewell was not able to attend this meeting but has submitted a Finance Committee Report along with proposed 2009 and 2010 budgets for board review and approval. The 2009 budget proposes 80% of salaries and benefits for the CIRTAs Executive Director and Executive Assistant be paid by the Indianapolis MPO Federal Highway Planning Funds. The 2010 budget proposes that 70% of salaries and benefits for the CIRTAs Executive Director, Executive Assistant be paid by the Indianapolis MPO Federal Highway Planning Funds and also adds a Mobility Manager (Roscoe Brown) which will be 100% funded by IndyGo. In 2010 there will be an additional increase in professional and consulting services (character 030) assuming that CIRTAs will take on a degree of strategic planning for long-range organizational management considerations, legal and transportation planning. CIRTAs will remain housed with the City of Indianapolis and pay chargebacks for rent, communications, etc. Partner county participation remains based on the 2000 census data. It is anticipated, unless other revenue streams are determined, that partner contributions will increase 37% from 2009 to 2010. **B. Kirchoff moved to approve the CIRTAs 2009 and 2010 proposed budgets. S. Ritz seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

New Business:

a. Presentation-Hoosier Heritage Port Authority-Don Seal, President-The HHPA has been the caretaker of the Nickel Plate. The Indiana Transportation Museum has received monies for maintenance and repair to the lines through MPO Planning grants. The anticipated funds necessary to purchase right of way has been estimated to be \$80-\$100 million dollars. The HHPA is currently working on contingent items in AARA to submit in September 2009 for the line from the Indiana State Fairgrounds to 10th Street. D. Seal will be attending future CIRTAs board meetings and will be working in concert with CIRTAs in reference to future transportation needs in the region.

b. Presentation-Regional Transit Strategic Plan-E. Bingaman-In December 1991, a Regional Mass Transit Strategic Plan was completed by Corradino, Inc. At that time, unmet trips were estimated at 19 million. Today, unmet trips are estimated at 50 million. Conditions of the plan have not changed and CIRTAs has completed all but one of the original conditions. E. Bingaman is requesting the board members get organizations integrated to move and prepare for the next steps to set the next strategic plan to continue moving forward. He hopes to bring a potential scope and potential vendor to the next CIRTAs board meeting.

Service Provider Updates:

C. Altman asked the service providers to give updates to the board on new information. No updates were given.

Other Business:

No other business.

The meeting was adjourned by consent at 10:50 am.