

Minutes  
Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA)  
February 24, 2010  
United Way of Central Indiana  
3901 N. Meridian Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46208-0409  
First Floor, RCI A B & C

**Members Present:**

Sue Ritz  
Bill Kirchoff  
Larry Hesson  
Rob Thoman  
Gil Holmes  
Chuck Fewell  
Christine Altman  
Roscoe Brown (for Mike Terry)  
Jerry Bridges

**Members Absent:**

David George  
Marta Moody  
Linda Sanders  
Ron Deer  
Don Adams  
Mike Hale  
Bob Sterrett

**Staff:**

Ehren T. Bingaman

**Public Present & Signed In:**

Laura Brown  
Anna Tyszkiewicz  
Gerard Skibinski  
Sara Laycock  
John Myers  
Sean White  
Geof Odle  
Jen Thomas  
Steve DeVoe  
David Littlejohn  
Maryanne O'Malley  
Rhonda Klopfenstein  
Kim Irwin

A quorum was recognized by the Chair and the meeting was called to order at 9:10 AM. Board Members introduced themselves.

The minutes of the January 27, 2010 meeting were presented for consideration. *G. Holmes moved to adopt the minutes as submitted, S. Ritz seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.*

B. Kirchoff and E. Bingaman presented the financial statements for 2010. G. Holmes noted an error in the variance detail of the summary information. The board asked that the change be made and presented again in March. E. Bingaman noted that statements would be presented quarterly and that the board should look for activity reports for the first quarter in April. E. Bingaman presented Payment of Claims #100224 – totaling \$13,544.42. *S. Ritz moved to pay claims as presented; the motion was seconded by L. Hesson. The motion was approved unanimously.*

Laura Brown from RLS and Associates made a presentation of preliminary findings of the Rural On-Demand Transit Operational Analysis. L. Brown overviewed the steps in the plan and touched on the high level recommendations of the plan and program. The board asked for performance metrics to be associated with the recommendations in the report; L. Brown agreed to add that. The recommendations included:

- Creating transfer centers at county lines that integrate multiple transit providers.
- Adding circulators in counties where the service can be sustained.
- Reaching an integrated fare structure for county to county transfers.
- Adding a mobility manager to coordinate and implement recommendations of the plan.
- Adding park and ride as envisioned in the Central Indiana Commuter Services proposal.

L. Brown overviewed some operational alternatives that keep rural partners in the lead role of transit provider, but with the goal of greater integration and resource sharing. Next steps will include presenting information to full boards of partner organizations, taking action to hire mobility manager, and feeding the outcomes as an input into the comprehensive operational analysis (regional bus plan).

Under New Business E. Bingaman presented an overview of IndyConnect: Central Indiana's Transportation Initiative. E. Bingaman highlighted the importance of engaging and supporting the plan and looked forward to the public process that had kicked off the week before. Visit [www.indyconnect.org](http://www.indyconnect.org) for more information.

E. Bingaman presented the Executive Director's Report, which highlighted the regional transit vision process, IndyConnect, an overview of the progress on the organizational strategic plan, an update on regional express bus sustainability, and reports on recent communication with Putnam County. E. Bingaman also noted that a position of Program Liaison had been posted online. E. Bingaman noted that he had been contacted by INDOT that they would support CIRTA's request for designation as an FTA recipient, he would move that process forward.

There were no additional Service Provider Updates offered.

Under other business J. Bridges asked that the IndyConnect project team consider an 800#. C. Altman requested that E. Bingaman reconnect with contacts in Monroe County regarding their interest in partnering with CIRTA.

G. Holmes moved to adjourn, C. Fewell seconded, the motion passed by consent.