

Minutes
Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA)
February 22, 2012 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM
MIBOR – 1912 N. Meridian St., Indianapolis

Members Present:

Jerry Bridges
Christine Altman
Tim Cox
Mike Terry
Chuck Fewell
Larry Hesson
Linda Sanders
Ron Deer

Rob Thoman
Bill Kirchoff
Sue Ritz

Members Absent:

Don Adams
Bob Sterrett
Ben Ledo
David George

Marta Moody
Gil Holmes

Staff Present:

Ehren T. Bingaman
Christy Campoll
Andrew McGee
Lori Kaplan
Mary Ann Nguguna

A quorum was recognized and the meeting was called to order by C. Altman at 8:05 AM. The members of the board introduced themselves to the public that was present.

The minutes of the January 25, 2012 meeting of the CIRTA board were presented for consideration by J. Bridges. *L. Sanders moved to accept the minutes, C. Fewell seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.*

B. Kirchoff introduced Claims Docket #120222 for payment of claims totaling \$23,254.00. *R. Thoman moved to pay Claims Docket #120222, J. Bridges seconded. The motion was approved unanimously, M. Terry abstained. B. Kirchoff presented the grant reimbursement report #120222 totaling \$44,833.35 in reimbursement received for the period.*

Under Old Business, A. McGee presented staff's analysis of utilization of the emergency ride home program in the Central Indiana Commuter Services program. Staff recommended that CIRTA enter into agreement with City Cab LLC of Lafayette given that the program monitors regular use and limits use to 5 times. *S. Ritz moved to enter into agreement with City Cab LLC of Lafayette for the CICS emergency ride home program, L. Hesson seconded. The motion was approved unanimously, M. Terry abstained.*

Andrew McGee presented the proposed measurable for CICS to the board. C. Altman suggested that the participation levels for employers link to the green aspects of the program, as did J. Bridges and suggested tracking participation of employers by county. C. Altman also encouraged more involvement with local chambers of commerce. C. Altman suggested adding the evaluation of pool cars as part of the transportation services protocol and make sure that the tax benefits are clearly articulated when presenting the solutions to employers via the transportation services module. B. Kirchoff asked if CICS could track air quality impacts with the current tools. A. McGee answered that trapeze has a resource, but it gives credit for registered commuters, not actual shared rides, so the numbers are skewed. J. Bridges suggested working with the Indianapolis and Anderson MPO's to help facilitate air quality calculations. A. McGee will work with the Greater Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce and others to develop and enhance green business awards for organizations that promote transportation alternatives.

Under New Business, E. Bingaman introduced the resolution to be a participating partner in the Indiana 211 initiative. *R. Thoman moved to approve the resolution to partner with the 211 Indiana Partnership, M. Terry seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.*

E. Bingaman presented the Executive Director's report and summarized the outcome of the Indiana General Assembly decision not to address local funding for transit in Indiana. C. Fewell pointed out that the work needs to continue and that we should expect at least 20 new legislators. S. Ritz offered that INCOST was prepared to work and support by sharing information with their transportation customers and to continue to stress the value of transit to all Hoosiers. C. Altman also highlighted the importance of the "home rule" issue in Indiana.

E. Bingaman summarized the current status of federal transportation funding. HR 7, the house transportation reauthorization and S. 1813, the senate version of the bill, both had significant deficiencies in their current forms of funding transit in the United States and general highway funding. E. Bingaman requested authorization to draft a letter to every member of the Indiana Congressional delegation stating CIRTA's issues with the bill. Several members of the board offered suggestions for key points. E. Bingaman collected the viewpoints to prepare a draft and would provide opportunities for board comment on the draft. R. Thoman moved to authorize the drafting of the letter, L. Sanders seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

The next board meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, April 25, 2011 at 9:00 AM, in the Chamber of Commerce Building, 320 N. Meridian St., 9th floor conference room.

R. Thoman moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 AM, J. Bridges seconded. The motion carried by consent.