Memorandum of Meeting Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA) September 17, 2014

320 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN - Room 911

Members Present: Members Absent: Staff Present: Christine Altman Lori Kaplan Larry Tungent Dax Norton Dora Fields Jerry Bridges Dan Woo Renee Walker Cassie Stockamp Heather White Larry Hesson Patricia Castañeda Don Adams Philip Cleveland Marta Moody Michael Colby Linda Sanders Ron Deer Bill Kirchoff Calvin Cargile

A quorum was recognized and the meeting was called to order by C. Altman at 9:02. Introductions were made by those in attendance.

The minutes of the August 27, 2014 meeting of the CIRTA board were presented for consideration. *C. Stockamp moved to accept the minutes, M. Colby seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the board.*

C. Altman advised that M. Fisher resigned effective immediately due to conflict of interest by taking a position on the IndyGo Board. There is currently no replacement for his seat on the board. C. Altman stated that M. Fisher will help find a replacement.

A Consideration of Financials was given by D. Fields. Claim Docket # 140917 was presented. All financial reports pursuant to documents given to the board were discussed. *A motion to accept Claim Docket* #140917 was made by J. Bridges, B. Kirchoff seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the board.

- C. Altman asked D. Fields if there is enough money to support partner contributions to the end of the 2014 calendar year. D. Fields advised that there is enough through the end of the 2014 calendar year.
- D. Fields advised the copier lease has been discussed and still under advisement of council.

Grants Docket #140917 and R&E month ending 8/31/14 were reviewed together. D. Fields presented financial reports pursuant to documents given to the board. L. Hesson *moved to accept Grants Docket #140917 and R&E month ending 8/31/14, J. Bridges seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the board.*

Under Old Business, D. Fields advised the PMTF application and letter has been completed and approved by our counsel. Larry Buckle has requested a meeting with A. Gast-Bray. D. Fields advised that said meeting is scheduled for September 25, 2014. C. Altman advised she will be attending the meeting. Anne Poindexter will provide talking points to C. Altman.

Under New Business, L. Kaplan advised that Commuter Connect is now fully staffed, introducing H. White, as our new Vanpool Coordinator and A. McGee, returning as our new Senior Outreach Coordinator.

Under the Commuter Connect Report, L. Kaplan advised we have decreased runs for the Carmel and Fisher Express Buses; and, that we are sending information to express bus riders on available carpool and vanpool options in case the new Express schedules do not work out.

Under the Mobility Management Report, P. Castaneda reported the Carmel City Council meeting, with concern for the Express bus, was a success with a unanimous vote coming out of committee, and the full council also voting unanimously.

Three express bus riders spoke in favor of the service; with a total of fifteen to twenty additional supporters present.

- C. Altman was also present at the Carmel City Council meeting and spoke about the need for the Express bus within the Carmel community.
- C. Altman asked what will it take to make the Carmel Express Bus a success? She advised that staff needs to work on marketing plan to present to Carmel City Council. Staff needs to rework the marketing package to include three runs, reduce fare to \$3.00, and a viable schedule. Staff must make this a priority. C. Altman stated the City of Carmel will have the choice to fund a plan that will ensure a successful route.

There was some concern from Carmel Council about why A. Gast-Bray, as the CIRTA Executive Director, was not present for the Carmel City Council meeting. P. Castaneda advised the Board that, prior to the meeting, A. Gast-Bray mailed a letter to each council member explaining this matter, and a printed copy was delivered to each of the Councilors' mailboxes. C. Stockamp advised that A. Gast-Bray needs to meet with each Carmel City Council member.

- P. Castaneda advised the Plainfield Connector continues to be successful. Businesses in the area are inquiring about how they can contribute to the bus service.
- B. Kirchoff advised the Plainfield City Council is interested in a joint effort with CIRTA to develop local service.

Go Express, the Plainfield Connector transportation provider, wants to help extend and grow the service.

Under miscellaneous news, there was a general discussion about the grant awarded for the Red Line and the press event on September 16, 2014 announcing the endeavor. The board was disappointed that CIRTA was not included in the press event.

The board discussed mass transit legislation. C. Stockamp asked if the formation of a nonprofit entity as required by the legislation was possible.

There was also a discussion about going to Central Indiana Community Foundation (CICF). It was suggested that A. Gast-Bray work on this issue.

J. Hesson motioned that the meeting come to a close, C. Stockamp seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously by the board.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next board meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2014.