Present:
Delores Lysakowski, Chairperson
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee
Herb Simmons, Trustee
Mike Sullivan, Trustee
Richie Meile, Trustee
Bill Grogan, Managing Director
Taulby Roach, Consultant
Walter Jackson, Metro
CJ Baricevic, Attorney
Neil Huegen, SCCTD
Absent: N/A

Chairperson Lysakowski called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Herb Simmons, seconded by Richie Meile to approve the minutes of the Feb. 13th meeting of the Board of Trustees. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.

There were no incoming claims or communications.

Concerning Financial Matters, the Chairperson stated that the District received 1st half of the 2nd and 3rd Quarters of DOAP money for FY-2012, and the 4th Quarter’s DOAP has already been submitted to the State.

Under Old Business the Chairperson noted that the Redbird Express Service is running again and early indications are that the ridership will be higher than last season’s once again.

Under New Business, the Chairperson distributed Resolution FY12-04, which authorizes the Chairperson to apply for and execute a public transportation capital assistance grant under the Illinois Department of Transportation’s general authority to make such grants. A motion was made by Herb Simmons to pass resolution FY12-04, and the motion was seconded by Lonnie Mosley. The motion then passed unanimously in a voice vote. Next, the chairperson made special mention of the MetroLink to passenger vehicle accident that occurred at 37th Street in East St. Louis, where a motorist decided to try and drive around all the safety barriers and beat the train through the crossing.

Next, Bill Grogan discussed some of his activities from the past month. Most notable was a meeting with East West Gateway Council of Governments where planning and development was the primary focus. Covered at this particular meeting was an online forum whereupon East West Gateway asked residents of Belleville and Swansea what they appreciated the most about their communities. Two of the top five amenities deemed the most important to residents were MetroLink and MetroBus service.

Next, Consultant Taulby Roach mentioned that there has been good progress towards a Tiger Grant for the RiverLink project. He then discussed the contractor’s successes regarding the Bike Trail sections that are currently under construction, and noted that the Memorial Hospital section is the next to open and should be ready by August.

Finally, Senior TSM, Walter Jackson discussed the new operator training that is underway at the Illinois Facility, and mentioned that Mike Dilks is recovering well and should be back next week.
There being no further business the Chairperson reminded everyone that the next meeting will be at 5:45 p.m. May 7th in the same location. A motion was made by Lonnie Mosley, seconded by Herb Simmons to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.