

**ST. CLAIR COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
October 15, 2007**

Participants:

Delores Lysakowski, Chairperson
Lonnie Mosley, Trustee
Richard Meile, Trustee
Mike Sager, Trustee
Bill Grogan, Managing Director
John Roach, Consultant
Jerry Heil, Director of Scheduling and Planning
Karen Kozal, Metro
Tricia Humphries, Secretary

Absent:

Frank Bergman, Trustee
Grey Chatham, Attorney

Chairperson Lysakowski called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

A Motion was made by Lonnie Mosley, seconded by Richard Meile to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 10, 2007. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.

Under Old Business, Chairperson Lysakowski indicated that she received the contract for Downstate Operating Assistance and she has signed and returned it. The Chairperson stated that the bids for the expansion of the Fairview Heights parking lot have been opened and the low bid was Rite Way Excavating of Lebanon, IL. Chairperson Lysakowski recommended the Board pass a motion to give her approval to sign a contract with Rite Way and if for any reason they are unable to begin the project, Keeley Construction, the next lowest bidder would be contacted and a contract negotiated with them. A motion was made by Richard Meile and seconded by Lonnie Mosley. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote. Chairperson Lysakowski also indicated that, after negotiations with the current bidder for the Fairview Heights turnback, there will be a shortfall of funds. Metro is requesting the District to write a letter stating that they will cover the balance. The Chairperson asked the Board to pass a motion to authorize her

to write such a letter to Metro indicating the District would fund an amount not to exceed \$15 million to complete the project. A motion was made by Lonnie Mosley, seconded by Richard Meile and passed unanimously in a voice vote. The Chairperson also noted that the Redbird Express season is over and it was the most successful season to date.

Under New Business, Chairperson Lysakowski indicated that she filed the Reduced Fare Application.

Bill Grogan reported that he attended a meeting at East-West Gateway Council of Governments regarding the Human Services Transportation Plan for the St. Louis metro area. This is a federal regulation that requires communities such as ours to have a plan for transportation of its elderly and disabled citizens. Mr. Grogan also indicated that he is on a committee for hiring the replacement for John Lanctot at ATS and they will be conducting interviews soon.

Jerry Heil indicated that he and Mike Bauer would be checking bus routes for on time performance and safety in the upcoming weeks.

John Roach stated that after working with the County Board Chairman and the St. Clair County Sheriff, security on MetroLink has noticeably increased.

Tom Sehr indicated that Metro's FY 07 budget closed with a surplus of \$14.8 million. The Board approved Missouri Transit Stabilization Fund which states that the surplus can be applied to the FY 08 budget shortage. Mr. Sehr stated that ridership on Metro was the highest ever in July and that Metro is holding public meetings regarding bus service during the I 64 construction.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Lonnie Mosley, seconded by Richard Meile to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously in a voice vote.