Minutes

RTA Annual Meeting

10:15 a.m., March 19, 2024

Board Members: Lucas (Chair), Koomar (Vice Chair), Biasiotta, McPherson, Mersmann, Pacetti,

Sleasman, Weiss, Welch

Not present: Love

Staff/Other: Basso, Bennett, Birdsong Terry, Burney, Caver, Cottrell, Davidson, Dykes, Fields, Fleig, Ford. Freilich, Garofoli, Gautam, Jenkins, Johnson, Jones, Jupina, Kirkland, Miller, Mothes, Schipper, Sutula,

Togher, Young

Public: Hagar, Loh, Rodriquez

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. There were nine (9) Board members present.

The Secretary advised that notice of this meeting had been posted more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting, that the usual notification had been given the news media and other interested persons, and that all requirements of the Ohio Revised Code and Rules and Bylaws of this Board regarding notice of meeting had been complied with.

Mayor Biasiotta, Chair of the Nominating Committee conducted the election. He thanked Rev. Lucas for his service. Rev. Lucas thanked the Board for allowing him to serve.

The Nominating Committee received one letter of interest from Mayor Paul A. Koomar for the Office of President and one letter of interest from Ms. Lauren R. Welch for the Office of Vice President. The candidates were approved by the Nominating Committee at their March 5, 2024 meeting and moved to be considered at today's Annual meeting. Mayor Biasiotta asked if there were any additional nominations for each office. There were none

Nominations and election for the Office of President

Mayor Biasiotta asked for a motion and second to approve Mayor Koomar as President. It was moved by Mayor Weiss seconded by Ms. Welch. There were nine (9) ayes and none opposed. Mayor Koomar thanked Rev. Lucas for his leadership. We have funded rail cars, instituted the COC and CAC members and improved Paratransit Service under Rev's guidance.

Nominations and election for the Office of Vice President

Mayor Biasiotta asked for a motion and second to approve Ms. Welch as Vice President. It was moved by Mayor Koomar, seconded by Mr. Sleasman. There were nine (9) aves and none opposed. Ms. Welch thanked Rev. Lucas for his guidance, leadership and advocacy on the Board and in the region.

This meeting adjourned at 10:21 a.m.

Attest: Rajan D. Sautam
Secretary Treasurer