## Minutes

## RTA Organizational, Services and Performance Monitoring Committee Meeting

9:09 a.m., February 18, 2020

Committee members: Lucas (Chair), Bibb, Byrne, Serrano

Other members: Clough, Joyce, Pellot, Welo

Not present: McCall, Moss

Also Present: Anderson, Bell, Benford, Bennett, Beveridge, Birdsong, Bitto, Burney, Castelucci, Caver, Cernois, Cottrell, Cranford, Dangelo, Davidson, Davis (C), Davis (J), Feliciano, Ferraro, Garofoli, Gautam, Gibbons, Gray, Hambro, Hutchinson, Jaszczak, Jones, Jurca, Lee, Lewis, Loh, Marlin, Martin, Morgan, O'Brien, Penning, Pinkney-Butts, Porcella, Ross, Schipper, Scott, Sims, So, Stocking, Sutula, Tarka, Togher, Vukmanic, Wiehe, Williams, Winn, Woodford, Young, Zeller

Rev. Lucas called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. The secretary called the roll and reported that four (4) committee members were present.

## Quarterly Management Report - 4th Quarter 2019

India Birdsong, general manager and CEO, gave the report. Future reports will be presented in a PowerPoint. Passenger fares and ridership showed an 8% decline, which is due to the summer time Red Line shutdown and the S-Curve improvements. Staff is working to determine new strategies to enhance ridership in 2020. The year-end general fund balance was \$42.8 million or 8% below. General fund expenses were 1% lower than the GF revenue. Overall, total operating expenses were 4.1% below budget for fiscal year 2019. Capital grants and awards took up a lot of staff time. Competitive awards totaled \$44.7 million with about \$16.8 million for the Red Line Track Rehab. Other State of Good Repair Projects include bus improvements, preventative maintenance and replacement vehicles. Before we can move forward with new technologies in 2020, a lot of staff time was put into replacing vehicles beyond their useful life and replacing rail track and rail cars. The Rail Car Replacement fund has \$11 million.

Under GF revenues were contracts with the FOP and the ATU. The FOP received a 3% wage increase. The ATU finalized negotiations in December with a new contract. Current negotiations are ongoing with the FOP for future contracts. On pages 9 and 10 there is an outline of details regarding operational projects where many of the capital funds were placed. A lot of those expenditures were preventative maintenance, acquisition for 12 MCI vehicles, 25 CNG buses, bus parts, radio and CAD/ADL or GPS, communication upgrades, S-curve retaining wall repairs, rail infrastructure, substation replacements, track 10 and 11 replacements in Tower City and the Red Line track rehabilitation from West Park to the Airport Tunnel.

The DBE report on page 14 showed a 5.7% DBE participation for construction, 11% for professional services, totaling 7.8% participation. In 2020, staff will work to hit the market for Asian, Caucasian female and Hispanic participation. African American participation led in 2019. Pages 19-24 gives an update of all the engineering and construction projects. This format will be changed for 2020. The Office of Management & Budget is working on a revised format for this report. The new format will give more high-level comparisons to RTA and other agencies.

Rev. Lucas adjourned the meeting at 9:16 a.m.

Floun'say R. Caver, Ph.D. Interim Secretary/Treasurer

Theresa A. Burrage Executive Secretary