

## **MRTD Board Meeting**

07/24/2025

The meeting was called to order at 9:03am by Vice President Cyndy Tabing. Additional members in attendance were Trisha Hoagland, Liz Cowell, and Donna Janneke. Absent members were Peter Hertzling, Melanie Johnson, and Georgia Stipe. Employees in attendance were Executive Director Jesica Gentry Schlimme, Mark Beare, Angela Craig and Don Jones.

The minutes of the previous meeting were discussed. Liz made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, and Trisha seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

No one was present for public comment.

Angela Craig presented the financial report. Current cash on hand and an annual P&L were submitted. Angela also discussed the current cash position, as well as the use of the line of credit relative to our cash flow. She discussed a brief comparison of last year to this year, with expenses dipping slightly. Donna moved to approve the report and Liz seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

Mark presented the Community Relations Report. He reported that Chester has officially re-sponsored the GoLocal program. Mark also discussed his recent attendance at the Red Bud Senior Fair, and his meeting with the Monroe County Retired Teachers.

Jesica gave the Director's Report. She gave an update on the facility, which is still awaiting pre-bid concurrence with IDOT. She also updated the board regarding the route study. A meeting is scheduled next week with the consultants, at which time she expects they will complete the survey design so it can be rolled out to the public. Jesica informed the board that employees were going to be personally taking surveys to many locations.

There was nothing to discuss in Old Business.

In New Business, Jesica presented a Driver Wait Time/Schedule Gaps. This is to clarify and better define the need for driver call-ins. Liz made a motion to approve the policy, and Donna seconded it. Jesica also presented a recurring subscription trips policy to establish guidelines for subscription eligible trips, and when someone is not eligible to schedule on a subscription basis. Trisha made a motion to approve the Recurring Subscription Trips policy, and Liz seconded it.

The next meeting will be August 28, 2025 at Steam Coffee Shop in Sparta.

Trisha made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:29am. Donna seconded, and the motion carried.

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