



**Proposed Meeting Summary
Board of Directors**

March 19, 2026

1:00 PM

1. Call to Order at 1:06 PM.

2. Roll Call:

Board of Directors members	Government Entity	Attendance Status
Jeannette Bradshaw	Oakland County	A
Freman Hendrix (Secretary)	City of Detroit	V
June Lee	Wayne County	P
Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	P
Jon Moore	Macomb County	A
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	P
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	P
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	P
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	P
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	A

Absent (A); Present (P); Virtual (V) means participating online, yet unable to vote on official business; Abstain (AB)

RTA Representatives Present:

Ben Stupka, Rachel Schmuhl, Julia Roberts, Corri Wofford, Mshadoni Smith-Jackson, Kristin Caffray, Isaac Constans, Dasia Mack, Jonathan Shead, Rebecca Donnelly-Lasecki, Melanie Piana

Other Meeting Participants:

Michelle Hodges – Rehmann
Ryan Bridges, Mario Morrow, Sr. – MMA
Jordan Smith - Maner Costerisan
Tina Toma - Dykema Gossett PLLC

3. Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Vice Chair Morandini and supported by Treasurer Wheeler Smith. The agenda for March 19, 2026, was approved. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

Board of Directors members	Government Entity	Vote
Jeannette Bradshaw	Oakland County	A
Freman Hendrix (Secretary)	City of Detroit	V
June Lee	Wayne County	Y
Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	Chair
Jon Moore	Macomb County	A
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	Y
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	Y
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	A

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4. Public Comment

- A resident named William spoke on behalf of transit riders in the state and region.

5. Executive Directors Report

- Big News
- QLINE Ridership
- QLINE Performance
- D2A2/DAX Ridership
- Transit app
 - Station & Stop Decals
- Program Updates
- Upcoming Items

6. Presentations

- DDOT & DTC: Robert Cramer
 - Member Staebler asked who will operate Acessibili-D 2.0, namely who will replace May Mobility.

- Mr. Cramer noted that it will be a different provider to be determined.
- Member Robertson commented on the quality of the presentation and on the partnerships with local colleges, training, and primary education, noting that transportation is the key barrier. She also asked the following questions:
 - What are key areas in the city that need more attention/bus service?
 - What is the actual ridership goal?
 - Mr. Cramer noted that 8-Mile, 7-Mile, Grand River, etc. have been identified by the public through *DDOT Reimagined*. He also noted that ideally, DDOT gets back to pre-pandemic numbers as that would be a great measure of success, as that would show growth due to changes in ridership patterns.
- Chair Massaron asked what can be done regarding coordination to support DDOT.
 - Mr. Cramer asked for continued open communication and support.

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of February 2026 Board Meeting Summary**
- b. Approval of February 2026 Financial Report**
- c. Procurement Advisory Notice**
- d. Approval of Updated Procurement Policy**
- Moved by Member Staebler and supported by Member Robertson to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

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Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	Chair
Jon Moore	Macomb County	A
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	Y
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	Y
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	A

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8. Regular Agenda

a. Approval of FY 2025 Financial Audit

- Jordan Smith, CPA, Principal at Maner Costerisan, presented the FY 2025 Financial Audit.
- Vice Chair Morandini asked if this was a typical audit for a transit agency, i.e. if anything was abnormal about the RTA’s audit compared to other audits of transit agencies that Mr. Smith had worked on in the past.
 - Mr. Smith noted that this was a typical audit for a transit agency.
- Moved by Treasurer Wheeler Smith and supported by Vice Chair Morandini to approve the FY 2025 Financial Audit. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

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June Lee	Wayne County	Y
Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	Chair
Jon Moore	Macomb County	A
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	Y
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	Y
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	A

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b. Approval of Legal Counsel Services Vendor Contract Award

- Member Robertson asked to clarify the difference between our legal counsel and our government affairs consultants.
- Moved by Vice Chair Morandini and supported by Member Robertson to approve the Legal Counsel Services Vendor Contract Award. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

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Jon Moore	Macomb County	A
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	Y
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	Y
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	A

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c. Approval of Transit Provider FY 2026 State Funding Applications

- Moved by Member Robertson and supported by Treasurer Wheeler Smith to approve the Transit Provider FY 2026 State Funding Applications. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

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Jon Moore	Macomb County	A
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	Y
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	Y
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	A

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d. Approval of Subrecipient Agreement with DDOT

- Moved by Member Lee and supported by Vice Chair Morandini to approve the Subrecipient Agreement with DDOT. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

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Dave Massaron (Chair)	State of Michigan	Chair
Jon Moore	Macomb County	A
Don Morandini (Vice Chair)	Macomb County	Y
Dr. Erica Robertson	Wayne County	Y
Alma Wheeler Smith (Treasurer)	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	A

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e. Acceptance of External Affairs Report

- External Affairs Director, Corri Wofford, delivered the External Affairs Report.
- Chair Massaron asked about the potential to promote cyclist safety on the QLINE tracks.
- Treasurer Wheeler Smith asked if External Affairs keeps records of growth across communication platforms.
 - Director Wofford answered affirmatively.

9. New Business

- There was no new business.

10. Meeting adjourned at 2:31 PM.