Proposed Meeting Summary
Board of Directors
Thursday, September 17, 2026
1:00 PM

1. **Call to Order at** 1:01 PM**.**

2. **Roll Call:**

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

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, Melanie Piana, Mshadoni Smith-Jackson, Kristin Caffray, Drue Bender, Dasia Mack, Jonathan Shead, Rebecca Donnelly-Lasecki

Other Meeting Participants:
Michelle Hodges – Rehmann
Ryan Bridges, Mario Morrow, Sr. – MMA
TJ Laurie Jr - Dykema

3. Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Member Morandini and supported by Member Robertson. The agenda for September 17, 2026, was approved. The motion carried via unanimous consent:

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

- *Absent (A); Yea (Y); Nay (N); Virtual (V) means participating online, yet unable to vote on official business; Abstain (AB)*

4. Public Comment

- Farai Gundan, Bhadala - Ms. Gundan thanked the RTA Executive and Planning & Innovation team for their leadership on RTA's Mobility Wallet pilot program.
- Joel Batterman, Transit Riders United, Campaigns Manager – Mr. Batterman commented on how helpful the D2A2 Service is in supporting his parents' visits from Ann Arbor to Detroit. Mr. Batterman encourages RTA to add services on major holidays, including Labor Day. He mentioned the Western Wayne millage that just passed and recommended adding new express bus services on the Plymouth route, which would dramatically increase transit access throughout the region.

5. Executive Directors' Report

- Recognized board member Terry Campbell, who joined the meeting virtually from Washington, D.C., with RTA External Affairs Director Corri Wofford.
- QLINE Performance – running 3-4-3 car services to manage older battery performance with a focus on challenges and implementing solutions to mitigate performance issues.
- D2A2 /DAX Ridership – maintaining ridership levels.

- Transit App – Metrics on usage KPI's remain strong with focus on creative marketing efforts.
- External Affairs – reports out on marketing efforts, including Jazz on the QLINE.
- Program Updates included Access to Transit, Highway Express Bus study, and procurements.

6. **Consent Agenda**
    a. **Approval of August 2026 Board Meeting Summary**
    b. **Approval of August 2026 Financial Reports**
    c. **Acceptance of Procurement Advisory Notice**

- Moved by Member Moore and supported by Member Dr. Robertson to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried via unanimous consent:

7. **Regular Agenda**
    a. **Approval of FY 2026-2027 RTA Budget & Investment Plan**

Moved by Member Staebler and supported by Member Zack to approve the FY2026-2027 RTA Budget and Investment Plan. The motion carried via unanimous consent:

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Conan Smith	Washtenaw County	Y
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	Y
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	Y

    b. **Approval of QLINE Custodial Cleaning Services Vendor Award**

Moved by Member Moore and supported by Member Morandini to approve the QLINE Custodial Cleaning Services Vendor Award. The motion carried via unanimous consent.

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c. Approval of New Office Space Lease

Moved by Member Staebler and supported by Member Moore to approve the Executive Director to enter negotiations in the New Office Space Lease. The motion carried via unanimous consent.

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8. Closed Session

Member Staebler moved and Member Lee seconded the motion that the RTA Board of Directors enter into Closed Session pursuant to Section 8(1)(e) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.268(1)(e), for the purpose of consulting with legal counsel regarding trial and/or settlement strategy in connection with the pending litigation known as Garry Fitzpatrick v. Progressive Michigan Insurance Company, Latesha Baker, Gary Jackson, and Regional Transit Authority of Southeast Michigan as discussion in an open session would have a detrimental financial effect on the RTA's litigating or settlement position.

Motion by Member Stabler, supported by Member Lee, to conclude the Closed Session held pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(e) and return to Open Session for the conduct of public business.

Roll Call Vote

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9. **New Business**
   - There was no new business.

10. **Meeting adjourned at** 2:23 PM**.**