



Proposed Meeting Summary Board of Directors

July 16, 2026

1:00 PM

1. Call to Order at 1:00 PM.

2. Roll Call:

Board of Directors members	Government Entity	Attendance Status
Jeannette Bradshaw	Oakland County	P
Freman Hendrix (Secretary)	City of Detroit	P
June Lee	Wayne County	A
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
Conan Smith	Washtenaw County	P
Ned Staebler	Washtenaw County	P
Helaine Zack	Oakland County	P

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Chair Massaron arrived at 1:44 PM.

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
Tina Toma - Dykema

3. Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Member Zack and supported by Member Robertson. The agenda for July 16, 2026, was approved. The motion carried via unanimous consent:

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

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4. Public Comment

- Lucas Lasecki asked that the RTA use more publicly accessible language when describing why QLINE service may be temporarily limited, whether it be due to heat, vehicle availability, etc.

5. Executive Directors Report

- Introduction of new RTA Board of Directors member, Conan Smith
- Big News
 - Cleveland Tour
 - Member Zack asked about land use along this BRT route.
- QLINE Ridership
- QLINE Performance
- D2A2/DAX Ridership
 - Member Robertson asked about annual ridership increases.
- Transit app
- State Budget
- Program Updates
 - New State Infrastructure Funding

- Procurements
- Woodward Rapid Transit Study
- Mobility Wallet Pilot
- Upcoming Items

6. Presentations

a. Budget Update Presentation

- Executive Director Stupka gave the budget update presentation.
 - Annual Calendar
 - Strategic Plan & Delivering Value
 - Budget Objective & Overview
 - Vice Chair Morandini asked about the funding mechanism and timeline for QLINE.
 - Member Smith asked about aggregate ARPA funding for the agency.

7. Consent Agenda

a. Approval of May 2026 Board Meeting Summary

b. Procurement Advisory Notice

- Moved by Secretary Hendrix and supported by Member Zack to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried via unanimous consent:
- Member Smith abstained.

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8. Regular Agenda

a. Approval of May & June 2026 Financial Reports

- Michelle Hodges presented the May & June 2026 Financial Reports.
- Member Smith asked about the available cash balance line item.
- Moved by Secretary Hendrix and supported by Member Bradshaw to approve the May & June 2026 Financial Reports. The motion carried via unanimous consent:

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b. Approval of Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP)

- Secretary Hendrix noted the importance of briefings during months without formal meetings.
- Member Zack asked about crisis exercises at the QLINE.
- Member Smith asked about the consequences for missing safety requirement targets.
- Member Bradshaw asked about bike safety as it relates to QLINE and the PTASP.
- Moved by Member Staebler and supported by to approve the PTASP. The motion carried via unanimous consent:

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c. Resolution for Departing Board Member: Alma Wheeler Smith

- Board members shared their appreciation and congratulations for retiring Treasurer, Alma Wheeler Smith.
- Moved by Member Staebler and supported by Secretary Hendrix. The motion carried via unanimous consent:

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d. Acceptance of External Affairs Update

- The Board received the External Affairs Update.

9. New Business

- There was no new business.

10. Meeting adjourned at 2:22 PM.