

Call to Order	Called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.	4 of 7 members present	Scott Tummons
Public Comment	No public in attendance	N/A	Scott Tummons
Meeting Minutes		MOTION: Rodd Miller moved, and Chance Lucas seconded the December 2023 TMTA BOD meeting minutes as presented. Approved 4-0.	Scott Tummons
Department Reports			
Planning Report	Planning report as submitted. Changes in Adult, 24-hr, Annual and Reduced Fare reporting.		Richard Appelhanz
Operations Report	Denise had nothing to add, however, Rodd asked about the Freedom Pass.		Denise Ensley
Maintenance Report	Alan had nothing to add, however, Scott asked about outside repair cost for bus #246. Alan stated that it had to have a new lift and in order to honor the warranty, work has to be done by a dealer.		Alan Parrish
Finance Report	December 2023 Finance report as submitted.	MOTION: Rodd Miller moved, and Alan Bearman seconded the motion to approve the December 31, 2023, financials as presented. Approved 4-0.	Richard Appelhanz
New Business	<p>New Buses and Retired Buses: TMTA will be getting six new buses as we are retiring buses. Bob mentioned that he had talked to Anne Smith, Executive Director of Flint Hills ATA as they are needing buses. He suggested that we may want to consider selling our retired buses to Flint hills ATA instead of auctioning them off.</p> <p>Study Sessions/Agenda Meetings: Bob mentioned that he would like to start having a discussion at the end of each Board meeting regarding the next month's Study</p>		Bob Nugent

	<p>Sessions to give him and staff time to put together information.</p> <p>Also, Bob mentioned only having Agenda meetings on the Wednesday morning before Board meetings. Typically, it is the Chair and Vice Chair attending Agenda meetings and discussion revolves around what will be on the agenda for the BOD meetings. Bob also proposed that we begin the Finance Meeting at 3:30 p.m. instead of 3:15 p.m., and then keep the board of directors meeting at 4 p.m.</p> <p>Rodd Miller requested a system study for the next service year of MOD (Metro On-Demand). He also requested information be sent out to board directors regarding the South West Transit Association (SWTA) Annual Conference in Tulsa, Oklahoma on February 2 – 7, 2024.</p> <p>Alan Bearman suggested that we have an overview or a brief history on how Topeka Metro decided on the electric buses, which would benefit new board members, so they understand our intention to acquire them.</p>		
Old Business	<p>Proterra Update: Proterra provided notice January 8, 2024, that Phoenix Motor Car bought Proterra--the transit assets (bus production). Bob and John have gone through documents and contracts and will have a meeting with the GM and Service Director on Thursday, Jan. 18, 2024.</p>		Bob Nugent
Executive Session	N/A		
Adjourn	<p>Board meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.</p>	<p>MOTION: Scott Tummons moved to adjourn the board meeting. Rodd Miller seconded. The motion passed 4-0.</p>	Scott Tummons

Respectfully Submitted –

Keri L. Renner

Keri Renner, Topeka Metro Board Secretary