

Metro Area Mayors Committee - Meeting Minutes

5/15/14

Present: Rhonda Blake, Dave Pompe, Duane Hickel, Kelsi Jackson, Matthew Beilke, Jeannie Krull, Vicky Bogart, Heather Stueven, Sherry Shirek, Jesse Shirek, Paula Ous, Keven Trana, Don Farnsworth, Adam Altenburg, Jeff Anderson, Angie Bosch, Tammy Desautel

Meeting was called to order by Tammy DeSautel

Introductions of members and guests. Thank you to Paul Ous & Metro COG!

Agenda was presented and approved.

The March minutes were approved with the following corrections; Last name spelled Hickel for Duane and add Vicki Bogart.

Treasurers Report- Steve Pederson presented the report.

General Fund -> \$3,955.60, GT Fund -> \$7,800.34, GT 2 -> \$1729.26

Total Funds ->\$13, 535.20 **check #1265 to MAT bus for \$50 remains uncashed***

Presentation: MAT & Metro COG

Topic Areas:

1. Fixed Route

The hardware is installed but not up & running for automated voice enunciators on the MAT busses and there will be a screens on fixed routes.

Other Features:

- Announcements of street & landmarks.
- App for both android & ios (matbusmobile.com) this will show the busses estimated time of arrival. *Feedback is encouraged from anyone utilizing the app.*
- If you run across something that isn't working please contact them with specific details.

2. Extended Hours & Times

Concerns: Some routes don't go until 11:00. There is a lack of routes on Sunday and this is a huge barrier for people getting to work.

Metro COGs response

The Transit Development Plan was presented. They work with the public to put this plan together. They will start updating the plan in 2015 for the next period. They used coordinated Mapping & Destination analysis. Data is needed to make changes. This data is derived from information they receive from the public. Currently about 50% of the bus usage is college students, mostly NDSU. Data is needed for people needing transportation for work. The question was raised; how

do we pay for Sunday Routes, Going where the people need and Extended Hours?
This depends largely on Federal Transportation Bills and data. Employers may be willing to be at the table on this discussion with the lack of employees currently.

Program Reports

- **Public Relations** –none

- **COPP Program (Citizens on Parking Patrol)** – Angie will ask Nate to review the brochure. Dennis will send to Angie.

- **Awards Banquet** (Ideas for next year)
 - Add ability to register online.
 - Make MAMC the largest on the Banner
 - Good that we didn't have the table tents this year as they have caused confusion last year.
 - Dan or someone read nominations or write up a small paragraph for people to read so we can stay on schedule.
 - Start the award portion of the event sooner.

- **Transportation-** (see presentation notes).

Other Business

Nominations:

- Co-Chair – Tammy DeSautel – Angie Bosch
- Treasurer – Steve Pederson
- Secretary – Duane Hickel

Reminder that MAMC meets at Fryn Pan May, June, September, October, November, December, January, February, and March. We do not meet in April due to the awards banquet. We do not meet in July and August but the executive committee generally meets during that time. This year we cancelled the meeting on January 16th due to a blizzard.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angie Bosch

