



November Board of Directors Minutes

IndyGo

Nov 17, 2022 at 5:00 PM EST

@ Virtual & 1501 W. Washington St - IndyGo HQ

ACTION ITEM A – 1

Attendance

Members Present:

Hydre Abdullah, Bart Brown, Mary Ann Fagan, Adairius Gardner, Greg Hahn, Morgan Johnson, Richard Wilson, Jr., Lise Pace, Jennifer Pyrz, Mike Roth, Jill Russell, Brooke Thomas, Aaron Vogel

Members Present (Remote):

Charlie Carlino, Annette Darrow, Matt Duffy, Mark Emmons, Inez Evans, Paul Williams

Guests Present (Remote):

Brady Hagerty, Eddie Rickenbach

Staff Present (Remote):

Brian Atkinson, Justin Burcope, Latosha Higgins, Ryan Wilhite

1. Call to Order and Roll Call (Presenters: Greg Hahn, Jill Russell)

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 [A AGENDA for November 17, 2022 Board Meeting.docx](#)

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Chairman Greg Hahn called the meeting to order at 5:01pm. Chief Legal Officer Jill Russell called the roll. 6 members present in person. There was a quorum.

2. Awards and Commendation (Presenters: Aaron Vogel)

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 [A1 October 2022 Safe Drivers Recognition.docx](#)

 [1,000,000 mile award Michael Flowers 2022.docx](#)

Chief Operating Officer Aaron Vogel gave an update on the Awards and Commendations for October 2022. Recognized was the October Operations Employee of the month, safe drivers for October 2022, one employee with 31 years and 1,000,000 miles of safe driving, and one IndyGo Executive Departure.

3. Committee Chairperson Reports (Presenters: Richard Wilson, Adairius Gardner)

Finance Committee - Richard Wilson

Service Committee - Adairius Gardner

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The reports were read and entered into the record.

4. Consent Agenda (Presenters: Greg Hahn)



1. A-1: Consideration and approval of minutes from Board meeting held on October 27, 2022
 [A-1 October Board of Directors Minutes.docx](#)
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2. A-2: Consideration and approval of Board of Directors meeting dates for 2023 (Presenters: Inez Evans)
 [A-2 Consideration and Approval of 2023 Board Meeting Dates.docx](#)
3. A-3: Consideration and approval to enter into contract negotiations with Burgess & Niple, Inc. for Local Route Transit Signal Priority (TSP) Engineering Services (Presenters: Matt Duffy)
 [A-3 Local Route TSP Engineering Services.docx](#)
4. A-7: Consideration and approval of Alertus building mass notification system (Presenters: Mark Emmons)
 [A-7 Alertus Building Mass Notification System.docx](#)
5. A-8: Consideration and approval of Swiftly annual renewal (Presenters: Annette Darrow)
 [A-8 Bus Stop Action Item - Swiftly Annual Renewal.docx](#)
6. A-9: Consideration and approval of Hastus maintenance and cloud fees (Presenters: Annette Darrow)
 [A-9 Bus Stop Action Item - Hastus Annual Renewal 2023.docx](#)
7. A-11: Consideration and approval of fuel management system upgrade (Presenters: Paul Williams)
 [A-11 Fuel Management System Upgrade 10-31-22 .docx](#)

Motion:

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion moved by Hydre Abdullah and motion seconded by Mary Ann Fagan. Mary Ann Fagan - AYE, Hydre Abdullah - AYE, Rick Wilson - AYE, Adairius Gardner - AYE, Lise Pace - AYE; Motion passed 5-0

5. Regular Agenda (Presenters: Greg Hahn)

1. A-4: Consideration and approval of formal adoption of IndyGo's 2027 Transit Network & approval of the Service Equity Analysis findings (Presenters: Brooke Thomas)
 [A-4 IndyGo Proposed 2027 Transit Network 11-04-22.pdf](#)
 [A-4 Adoption of the 2027 Transit Network 2022 10 28.docx](#)

IPTC staff, working in cooperation with the Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization and alongside community stakeholders, have reviewed IPTC's network redesign and prepared a new future service plan that, if adopted, would replace the future service plan that was established in 2016. This most recent planning effort is distinctly different from past planning efforts in that it needed to honor the visioning and values elicited from the community over the past decade and uphold the tradeoffs that were made.

Like previous versions of IPTC's future service plan, the two most essential parts of this plan is the shift to a ridership-based service network and the increase in service frequency across the three bus rapid transit routes as well as many of IPTC's local routes. This level of service makes it possible for more people to choose to ride IPTC while at the same time ensuring that more transit riders can be freed from having to rely on a bus schedule or routes where a bus only comes once an hour.

A final service equity analysis awaits the Board's conditional approval of the 2027 Transit Network. A preliminary service equity analysis was completed in the spring of 2022, prior to staff finalizing the proposed update to IPTC's future service plan. At that time, it was determined that the proposed 2027 Transit Network *would not* create a disparate impact or disproportionate burden for Indianapolis' minority and low-income populations. When comparing IPTC's existing transit network to the proposed transit network, the benefits to minority and low-income populations relative to non-minority and low-income populations are similar.

Motion:

Conditional approval of IndyGo's 2027 Transit Network

Motion moved by Mary Ann Fagan and motion seconded by Adairius Gardner. Mary Ann Fagan - AYE, Hydre Abdullah - AYE, Rick Wilson - AYE, Adairius Gardner - AYE, Lise Pace - AYE; Motion passed 5-0

2. A-5: Consideration and approval of Resolution 2022-07 free days for 2022 Holiday Season (Presenters: Mike Roth)

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IPTC has supported free fares during the holiday season for the past three years. By removing the barrier of transportation costs and promoting safety during the holiday season, we can help support and attract new riders. IPTC will offer free rides on Thanksgiving Day (November 24, 2022), Christmas Day (December 25, 2022), and beginning at 8 p.m. on New Year's Eve (December 31, 2022) for both fixed route and IndyGo Access service.

Motion:

Approval of Resolution 2022-07 free days for 2022 Holiday Season

Motion moved by Lise Pace and motion seconded by Mary Ann Fagan. Mary Ann Fagan - AYE, Hydre Abdullah - AYE, Rick Wilson - AYE, Adairius Gardner - AYE, Lise Pace - AYE; Motion passed 5-0

3. A-6: Consideration and approval of new Mobility Advisory Committee (MAC) member (Presenters: Mike Roth)

 [A-6 MAC - New Member November 2022.docx](#)

The bylaws of the Mobility Advisory Committee (MAC) require staggering members' terms to ensure representation and new membership continuity. Each appointed MAC member shall serve a term of two years and shall serve no more than two consecutive full terms. There is currently one open position on the MAC. The MAC has approved one member and seeks board approval to fill the open position. The MAC submitted the nomination to the Service Committee on November 10, 2022, with a recommendation for approval by the IPTC Board of Directors. The attached biography represents the nominee the IPTC Service Committee recommended for appointment to the MAC.

Amanda Bagwell

Amanda holds a Juris Doctor Degree with a psychological education background. She is the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator for the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA). She has worked with individuals with disabilities who were convicted of violent crimes. Amanda believes they have significant barriers to employment and transportation or safe sidewalks to walk to transportation. Amanda has engaged with community partners in various employment roles and handled accessibility concerns in an advisory role. As a part of her employment, she has made it a goal to assist or present sensitivity training and be the safe space for vendors and providers on how to interact with individuals with disabilities and service animals.

Motion:

Approval of new Mobility Advisory Committee (MAC) member

Motion moved by Hydre Abdullah and motion seconded by Lise Pace. Mary Ann Fagan - AYE, Hydre Abdullah - AYE, Rick Wilson - AYE, Adairius Gardner - AYE, Lise Pace - AYE; Motion passed 5-0

4. A-10: Consideration and approval to purchase and operate hybrid vehicles on the Blue Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Line (Presenters: Jennifer Pyrz)

 [A-10 Purchase and operate hybrid vehicles on the Blue Line.docx](#)

IPTC and its community partners have been working together over many years to build out a vision for improved public transportation in Indianapolis. From the early stages of planning, it was envisioned that electric vehicles would be a key component of that vision. The Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, in particular, was planned to operate using all electric vehicles.

The Red Line BRT, which opened for operation in 2019, was widely touted as the first all-electric BRT in the nation. Battery-electric vehicles have also been purchased for the Purple Line BRT, will begin arriving next year, and will be operating beginning in 2024. The Blue Line BRT has been planned to be serviced with battery-electric buses as well.

Late in 2021, however, the U.S. National Defense Authorization Act of 2020 went into effect, banning federal transit funding for manufacturers linked to China. This ban applies to IPTC's purchase of BYD vehicles and effectively restricts IPTC to buying lower-range, more expensive, battery-electric vehicles. With the lower range comes the need for more buses to operate the same level of service, and more time and infrastructure devoted to charging vehicles. As the Blue Line design was reaching 60% completion, IPTC was projecting the need for 55 battery-electric vehicles to operate the Blue Line effectively under these new restrictions, at a cost of \$130 Million (in year of expenditure, YOE). IPTC staff is recommending that hybrid electric vehicles be purchased and operated for the initial implementation of the Blue Line. This change will save almost \$100 million and will require at least 35 fewer vehicles. This change will be incorporated into our Capital Investment Grant application update next spring for Federal Transit Administration review and scoring.

Motion:

Approval to purchase and operate hybrid vehicles on the Blue Line Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Line

Motion moved by Adairius Gardner and motion seconded by Hydre Abdullah. Mary Ann Fagan - AYE, Hydre Abdullah - AYE, Rick Wilson - AYE, Adairius Gardner - AYE, Lise Pace - AYE; Motion passed 5-0

6. Information Items (Presenters: Greg Hahn)

1. I-1: Receipt of the Finance Report for October 2022 (Presenters: Bart Brown)

 [I-1 October 2022 Financials Summary.pdf](#)

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 [I-1 Capital Project Spending October 2022 - Final.pdf](#)

The Board heard a financial update for October 2022 from Chief Financial Officer Bart Brown.

2. I-2: Department Reports

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 [I-2b PLANNING AND CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT for November2022.docx](#)

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 [I-2c Public Affairs November Board Report.pdf](#)

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 [I-2e Nov 2022 Department of People & Teammate Experience Board.docx](#)

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The Board received Department Reports for Risk & Safety, Capital Projects, Public Affairs, Operations, Department of People and Teammate Experience, and Supplier Diversity.

7. Adjourn (Presenters: Greg Hahn)

On order of Chairman Greg Hahn and there being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 5:49pm.

Jill D. Russell
Chief Legal Officer