

**CENTRAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
KALAMAZOO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
Joint Regular Meeting  
May 12, 2025**

Place: Metro Administration Building, Kalamazoo, MI  
Time: 11:30 A.M.  
Staff Present: Sean McBride, Greg Vlietstra, Keshia Woodson-Sow, Sarah Joshi, Richard Congdon, Annette Arkush, Barbara Blissett  
Others Present: Richard Cherry, Steve Stepek

**1.) KCTA ROLL CALL**

*KCTA Members Present:* Curtis Aardema, James Ayers, Tafari Brown, Paul Ecklund, Dusty Farmer\*, Aditya Rama, Greg Rosine, Gary Sigman, Tim Sloan

*KCTA Members Absent:* None

*Farmer left the meeting at 12:40 pm.*

**1.) CCTA ROLL CALL**

*CCTA Members Present:* Curtis Aardema, Nicole Beauchamp, Dusty Farmer\*, Christyn Johnson, Lisa Mackie, Garrylee McCormick, Jim Pearson, Greg Rosine

*CCTA Members Absent:* Chris Burns,

*A motion was made to excuse Burns.*

*Motion:* Mackie

*Second:* Rosine

*Motion carried by voice vote.*

*\*Farmer left the meeting at 12:40 pm.*

**2.) REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

*A motion was made by KCTA and CCTA for approval of the joint CCTA/KCTA meeting agenda for May 12, 2025 with the approval of the CCTA/KCTA meeting minutes for April 14, 2025.*

*Motion:* Mackie

*Second:* Rosine

*Motion carried by voice vote.*

**3.) PUBLIC COMMENTS** – None

**4.) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**PROPOSED MILLAGE RESOLUTION FOR CCTA MILLAGE REQUEST**

Exec. Dir. McBride provided background on the previous meeting discussions concerning the millage. Exec. Dir. McBride stated that based on the presentation, discussion, and prioritizing exercise, the CCTA and KCTA Boards requested staff to develop a CCTA Millage Resolution requesting 1.1 mills. He said the proposed millage resolution was attached for the CCTA Board's approval.

The Boards expressed their support for the decision to request 1.1 mills realizing that the increased millage would continue to provide the current services including the Metro Link Pilot.

*A motion was made by CCTA to adopt Resolution 25-004 CCTA Transportation Millage Request for 2026.*

*Motion:*

*Second:*

*Motion carried by roll call vote.*

*Ayes: Aardema, Beauchamp, Farmer, Johnson, Mackie, McCormick, Pearson, Rosine*

*Nays: None*

*Absent: Burns*

City Attorney Richard Cherry presented the role Boardmembers and staff should take during a millage election when interacting with the public. (Included in the minutes is the PowerPoint that was presented by Mr. Cherry.)

Dep. Dir. On-Demand Services and Planning Sarah Joshi introduced Matthew Lattavo and Jordan Papazoglou, from Left Turn Right Turn, LLC, who presented the results of the On-Demand Services Study. (A copy of the PowerPoint is filed with the meeting minutes.)

#### **5.) PERFORMANCE MONITORING COMMITTEE**

Chair Rama shared the Committee had met and reviewed the Metrics Report that is provided in the Board Packet.

#### **6.) EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

Chair Farmer provided an update about the Committee's proposed outreach plans for jurisdictional visits in 2025.

#### **7.) BOARD OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

Chair Aardema reported the Committee met and reviewed the current agenda, the 2026 CCTA Millage question and Board Committee assignments. He provided the following Board Committee Assignments:

##### **Board Operations Committee**

- Curt Aardema, Chair
- Chris Burns
- Lisa Mackie
- Dusty Farmer
- James Ayers
- Aditya Rama
- Sean McBride, Staff Liaison

##### **Planning & Development Committee**

- James Ayers (Chair)
- Nicole Beauchamp
- Chris Burns
- Greg Rosine
- Tafari Brown
- Keshia Woodson-Sow, Staff Liaison

**Performance Monitoring**

- Aditya Rama (Chair)
- Jim Pearson
- Dusty Farmer
- Tim Sloan
- Greg Vlietstra, Staff Liaison

**External Relations Committee**

- Lisa Mackie (Chair)
- Garrylee McCormick
- Christyn Johnson
- Paul Ecklund
- Gary Sigman
- Sarah Joshi, Staff Liaison

Exec. Dir. McBride said at the June Board meeting, a presentation will be made regarding Board Governance and the role of committees. The purpose of the presentation will be to educate newer Boardmembers and to refresh veteran Boardmembers on the Governance materials covered in 2022 and 2023.

**8.) EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT**

Exec. Dir. McBride provided an update on the following topics:

- Rider Open House
- Outreach Updates
- Metro Tour for State Representative Matt Longjohn
- Thank You Note from Community-based Transition Staff and Students
- Metro Link Update

(A copy of the report is filed with the meeting minutes.)

Exec. Dir. McBride introduced a request to adopt a resolution to accept grant funding from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for shared streets and spaces. He said the purpose of the grant is to enhance the bus hub.

Exec. Dir. McBride said the project plan calls for upgraded bus shelters and benches, new concrete, and the addition of a bike parking facility.

*A motion was made by KCTA and CCTA to adopt Resolution 25-005 Acceptance of Shared and Spaces Grant Funds.*

*Motion: Brown*

*Support: Ayers*

*Motion carried by roll call vote.*

*Ayes: Aardema, Ayers, Brown, Ecklund, Rama, Sloan, Sigman, Rosine*

*Nays: None*

*Absent: Farmer*

*Motion: McCormick*

*Support: Mackie*

*Motion carried by roll call vote.*

*Ayes: Aardema, Beauchamp, Johnson, Mackie, McCormick, Pearson, Rosine*

*Nays: None*

*Absent: Burns, Farmer*

**9) SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Pension Board – Did not meet.

KATS Policy Committee – Rama and Aardema shared that KATS had approve the Transportation Improvement Program at the last meeting.

Local Advisory Committee (LAC) – Did not meet.

**10.) CHAIRPERSON REPORT** – No Report

**11.) PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

**12.) MEMBERS TIME** – Boardmembers thanked staff for their work on the Metro Link survey and Metrics Report

Rosine thanked Left Turn Right Turn, LLC for their presentation of the On-Demand services.

**13.) ADJOURNMENT**


*A motion was made by KCTA and CCTA to adjourn the KCTA/CCTA meeting.*


*Motion: McCormick*

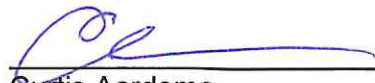
*Support: Brown*


*Motion carried by voice vote.*

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.

  
Curtis Aardema  
CCTA Chairperson

  
Barbara Blissett  
CCTA Clerk

  
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