



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

METROPOLITAN ATLANTA RAPID TRANSIT AUTHORITY

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Jennifer Ide called the meeting to order at 12:30 P.M.

Board Members

Present:

James Durrett
Roderick Frierson
Freda Hardage
Russell McMurry¹
Kathryn Powers
Rita Scott
Thomas Worthy
Valencia Williamson
Jennifer Ide
Jacob Tzegaegbe
Sagirah Jones
Elizabeth Bolton-Harris

Board Members

Absent:

Al Pond
Jannine Miller
Shayna Pollock

Staff Members Present:

Rhonda Allen
Ralph McKinney
Steven Parker
Paul Lopes
Carrie Rocha
Jonathan Hunt
George Wright
Kevin Hurley
Michael Kreher

¹ Russell McMurry is the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). Per the MARTA Act, he is a non-voting member of the Board of Directors

Also in Attendance:

Justice Leah Ward Sears, Paula Nash, Jacqueline Holland,
Kenya Hammond, Phyllis Bryant

PUBLIC COMMENTS (SUBMITTALS VIA TELEPHONE, U.S. MAIL AND IN PERSON)

None

1. AD HOC SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Ad Hoc Search Committee report concerned a personnel matter. At 12:35 p.m., the board went into executive session on a motion by Board Member Hardage, seconded by Board Member Powers.

Executive session ended at 2:58 P.M.

.2. OTHER MATTERS

None

3. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Chair Ide Comments: We are taking the search for both an interim General Manager/CEO and a permanent General Manager/CEO very seriously. We have listened to the concerns from the community, our appointing jurisdictions, and business leaders. We understand that MARTA is currently under scrutiny, and we recognize the need for improvement.

Our goal is to find the right individual for this position, and we will take a couple of weeks to determine who our Interim General Manager/CEO will be. We acknowledge the urgency that many of our stakeholders feel regarding leadership in place, and we share that urgency as well. Thank you for your patience during this process.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting adjourned at 3:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Tyrene L. Huff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tyrene" being more prominent.

Tyrene L. Huff
Assistant Secretary to the Board

YouTube link: https://www.youtube.com/live/KlrD5PQHULs?si=Q_q_jVSH7pradxy8