

**Marquette County Transit Authority  
1325 Commerce Drive Marquette, MI 49855**

**Board Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2021**

**Call to Order:** 6:00PM by Chairman Nankervis

**Roll Call:**

Present: Bosio, Boyd, DeGroot, Etelemaki, Krah, Klipp, LaRue, Tollefson, Wallner.  
Others present: Klein Director, Geller Finance, Hodges Operations/ Maintenance Supervisor.

Excused Absent: Kasper

**Minutes:**

Motion made by DeGroot to approve the Minutes of July 14 Special Meeting and Closed Sessions. July 15'th Regular Meeting. And July 16'22'nd, 2021 Special Meeting and Closed Session. Supported by LaRue. Unanimously approved.

**Consent Agenda :**

Motion was made to accept Agenda items A-D by Bosio, Tollefson supported. Unanimously approved.

**Agenda:**

Wallner motioned to approve the Agenda. Etelemaki Supported. Unanimously approved.

**Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority:**

None.

**New Business:**

- 1) Vast Presentation Health Insurance by Tom Snow, Advisor. Snow gave a complete historical and potential offerings of Health Insurance proposals. Degroot made motion to approve the 2021 renewal as proposed. Boyd supported. Unanimously approved.

Report from the Finance Committee: Was given by Bosio. An overview of Finance Committee Meetings' reviews was given. As a result of Bosio made motion to approve adding \$300,000 to the MERS pension account. LaRue supported. Unanimously approved.

**Any Old or New Business:**

Klein read the Executive Director's Report. The hiring of the new Finance Officer was announced. An overview of our demonstration by 906 Engineering was given, regarding possible GPS systems on the buses. Updates on the installation of autonomous wheel chair securements, via grant funds was discussed. The upcoming Job Fair was discussed. And an overview of the MTPA meeting that was attended by Geller and Klein was mentioned also. As well as a mention of the September 9'th Board Training session with Clark Harter.

DeGroot made motion to schedule a Personnel Committee meeting for September 22nd at 5:00 PM. Wallner supported. Unanimously approved.

**Board Members Comments:**

Klipp provided an informational handout from the SPPCP regarding a two year plan, including Marqtran for review.

DeGroot made mention of communication regarding schedule changes for Board Meetings.

Wallner also made mention of communications of schedule changes. And made mention of seeking information regarding mental health wellness resources for the employees.

**Opportunity for Citizens to address the Authority:**

None.

**Adjournment:**

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Bosio. LaRue supported.  
Unanimously approved.

Chairman Nankervis adjourned the meeting at 6:40 PM.

Sincerely,

Kevin W. Hodges  
Operations Manager