

**70<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the  
Metro Area Transit Coordinating Board  
November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Fargo Commission Chambers**

**Members Present:**

Jim Aasness, Dilworth City Council  
Melissa Fabian, Moorhead City Council  
Steve Fox, MSUM  
Kevin Hanson, Chair  
Brit Stevens, NDSU  
Paul Grindeland, Valley Senior Services

**Members Absent:**

Brian Arett, Valley Senior Services  
Tony Gehrig, Fargo City Commission  
Tony Grindberg, Fargo City Commission  
Mark Simmons, West Fargo City Commission  
Teresa Stolfus, M|State  
Sara Watson Curry, Moorhead City Council  
Samantha Westrate, Concordia College

**Others Present:**

Lori Van Beek, City of Moorhead  
Julie Bommelman, City of Fargo  
Michael Maddox, Metro COG  
Matt Peterson, MATBUS

**1. Call to Order and Introductions**

Chair Kevin Hanson called the meeting to order, noting that a quorum was not present. The present board members agreed to discuss all non-voting items on the agenda.

**2. Review and Action on Minutes from September 20, 2017.**

No action was taken on this item due to a lack of quorum.

**3. Proposed Changes to Route 24**

Matt Peterson presented the proposed changes to Route 24. MATBUS received a number of complaints from one neighborhood in West Fargo. MATBUS worked with West Fargo's Larry Weil to work on the proposed change to the route. The small change moves one stop from 6<sup>th</sup> street to 4<sup>th</sup> street. The changes come with use from the ReMix software purchased in 2017. West Fargo City Commission approved the route change, and the Fargo City Commission is slated to vote on it. Due to lack of quorum,

**4. Preliminary Results of LinkFM Survey**

Matt Peterson presented the preliminary results of the LinkFM Survey. The survey was ten questions, via Constant Contact service. Results found that Overall service and Ease-of-Use was rated at above-average, 35% of riders used LinkFM for special events (Unglued Craft Fest, Street Fair, TedX, etc.). The highest number of riders is around the lunch hour. There was also interest in extending hours to 9pm.

**5. FM Metro Senior Ride Cost Sharing Model**

No action was taken on this item due to a lack of quorum.

**6. Proposed 2018 JPA for Metro Senior Ride**

No action was taken on this item due to a lack of quorum.

**7. Proposed 2018 Dilworth Transit Service Contract**

No action was taken on this item due to a lack of quorum.

**8. MATBUS Operations and Ridership Reports**

Matt Peterson presented the MATBUS Operations and Ridership Reports, and a new graphing report to make the reporting easier to understand.

**9. Proposed Fargo-Moorhead Master Agreement**

No action was taken on this item due to a lack of quorum.

**10. Shelter Snow Removal Contract**

No action was taken on this item due to a lack of quorum.

**11. Proposed 2018 Meeting Schedule**

Lori Van Beek presented a proposed change to the 2018 meeting schedule. Instead of meeting once monthly, Ms. Van Beek feels that meeting every other month may be easier to find a quorum. Ms. Van Beek suggested sending out a Doodle Poll to the MAT Coordinating Board members for meeting times and days of the week. After polling board members, 2018 meetings will be held every other month starting in January.

**12. Other Business**

Julie Bommelman presented the 2018 New Flyer calendar, which features a photograph of a MATBUS in front of the FargoDome. MATBUS was also featured in Bus Ride magazine.