C. Faucheux called the meeting to order at approximately 8:00am on Thursday, July 3, 2025, at the St. John the Baptist Parish Council Chambers, 1811 W. Airline Highway, Laplace, LA 70068. Members present included C. Faucheux, K. Bourgeois, G. Monti, E. Broussard, III, W. Joseph, Jr. S. Jasmin, and M. Jenkins, thus achieving a quorum. All the members were present. Also present were S. Van Sickle (Transdev), A. Thompson (Solutient), and M. Johnson (Solutient).

C. Faucheux asked for all board members to review the minutes from the June 12, 2025, meeting. It was moved to accept by G. Monti and seconded by S. Jasmin. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from the public – Ms. Mathieu asked about the availability of new grants and asked if the board had considered a hybrid system or fixed route. C. Faucheux stated that the feasibility analysis stated that fixed route was cost prohibitive and not best for the RPTA system. He also stated that the board continues to seek new funding.

The operations report was deferred until the next meeting.

The Secretary/Treasurer's report was deferred until the next meeting.

A. Thompson listed the following checks for accounts payable: Solutient, Invoice No. 12863 (June Services), Check No. 2617, $6,416.67; Transdev, Invoice No. 601-2025 (June Services), Check No. 2618, $86,751; and Dell Marketing, Invoice No. 10822081544 (computer equipment purchase), Check No. 2619, $7,622.93.

C. Faucheux requested a motion for approval of the Accounts Payable. Approval was moved by M. Jenkins and seconded by K. Bourgeois. Motion carried unanimously.

A. Thompson presented the financial projections. Discussion ensued regarding the fact that the system would exhaust reserve funds at the end of the year.

S. Van Sickle presented the financial savings of cutting the last half hour of service (7:00pm-7:30pm) as requested by the board. G. Monti asked if cutting the last hour of service would be twice the amount projected. S. Van Sickle answered affirmatively.

Discussion ensued regarding necessary cost savings.

C. Faucheux requested a motion for approval to cut the last hour of service (6:30pm-7:30pm) effective September 1, 2025. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by S. Jasmin. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Faucheux requested a motion to cut board member per diems in half effective the fourth quarter. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by K. Broussard. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed the need to form a finance committee to review the finances and meet with the Parish Presidents. C. Faucheux, E. Broussard, III, and K. Bourgeois were appointed to the committee.

A. Thompson discussed the RPTA DBE Plan (Tier II). E. Broussard, III noted that the letterhead was outdated. It was decided to vote on approving the plan with the caveat that the letterhead be replaced.

C. Faucheux requested a motion for approval of the 2025 Tier II DBE Plan. Approval was moved by E. Broussard, III and seconded by M. Jenkins. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Faucheux reminded the board that this was his last meeting. S. Van Sickle stated that the board needed to elect a new board chairperson. M. Jenkins nominated S. Jasmin as board chair.

C. Faucheux requested a motion for approval of S. Jasmin as the new RPTA bord chairperson. Approval was moved by M. Jenkins and seconded by K. Bourgeois. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Faucheux requested a motion to adjourn. Approval was moved by M. Jenkins and seconded by E. Broussard, III.

Having no more business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 8:45am.

Shanitra J. Lewis
Shanitra Jasmin, Chairperson

8-14-2025
Date