

**LOCAL COORDINATING BOARD FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED
OF THE
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
PUBLIC WORKSHOP
3299 TAMIAMI TRAIL EAST, BLDG. F, 5TH FLOOR
March 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes
2:30P.M.**

1. Call to Order

A. Roll Call with Self Introductions

Ms. Otero called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Members performed self-introductions for the roll call.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

LCB MEMBERS PRESENT

Commissioner Donna Fiala, Board of County Commissioners (BCC), Chairwoman
Susan Corris, Southwest Florida Regional Workforce Development Board
Cheryl Burnham, Florida Association for Community Action
Michelle Peronto, FDOT
Birgitta Grasser, Citizens
Dylan Vogel, Citizens Advocate/User
Sherry Brenner, Disabled
Irene Johnson, Veteran Services
David Ogilvie, Public Education

LCB MEMBERS ABSENT

Felix Soto, Florida Department of Children and Families
Rebecca MacKenzie, Area Agency on Aging
Harold Kurzman, Elderly, Vice-Chairman
Robert Richards, Department of Education
Emely Kafle, Children at Risk
Oscar Gomez, Veteran Services
Maribel Perez, Agency for Health Care Administration

MPO STAFF

Brandy Otero, Senior Planner
Karen Intriago, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT

Omar DeLeon, PTNE
Braian Morales, MV
Dale Hanson, FDOT
Teresa Smith, DaVita Dialysis
Mari Maldonado, MV Transit
Elena Ortiz, CAT
Michelle Arnold, PTNE
Yousi Cardeso, PTNE

2. Approval of the Agenda

Ms. Johnson moved to approve the Agenda. Second by Mr. Ogilvie. Carried unanimously.

3. Annual Public Workshop on Local Transportation Disadvantage (TD) Program and Process

A. Public Comments on Local TD Program and Process

Teresa Smith stated that the service has improved and the communication with dispatch and the dialysis center also has improved. Ms. Smith noted that the only issue that has been occurring is regarding scheduling with an Ave Maria patient. The patient has treatment at 6:00 a.m. and is scheduled to be picked up at 10:30 a.m. after treatment but has been told that because of a turnaround time the bus must head back to Naples. The patient has had to call a relative to come pick him up. Ms. Smith noted that she wanted to get clarification on the turnaround time. **Mr. Morales** noted that he would research the patient's trip and get back to Ms. Smith.

Ms. Arnold noted the when the patient is not ready at the pick-up time, they are placed on will call, which is when another vehicle is available. PTNE Staff will research a way to have another trip scheduled for pickup.

B. Member Comments on Local TD Program and Process

Ms. Johnson noted that thanks to the education that has been provided she has heard positive feedback with the coordination of Paratransit and disabled Veterans using the system.

C. Annual TD LCB Training

Ms. Otero presented the PowerPoint "*Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board Training*" The presentation covered the definition of an MPO and what the MPO's responsibilities are, the composition of Collier MPO, the MPO's funding, LCB funding, and the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). She also covered the LCB's operating guidelines, the composition of the LCB, their duties, and grant requirements. Ms. Otero also covered an overview of Paratransit services, the definition of TD, TD eligibility, and trip prioritization. Lastly, she covered some of the LCB's procedures and processes to include the grievance process. The presentation can be provided to anyone who requests it.

(Commissioner Fiala joined the meeting at 2:45 p.m.)

4. Adjourn Annual Public Workshop

With no further comments Ms. Otero adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:08 p.m.