



Meeting Minutes

DES MOINES AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY TRANSIT RIDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 – NOON Hybrid Meeting

[The above TRAC Meeting was hybrid – in person at DART Central Station and virtual via Zoom. The Committee determined that it is convenient to offer this option to members of the Committee, staff and members of the public to accommodate for concerns related to the Covid-19 pandemic.]

TRAC Members Present:

Todd Kilzer, Kaylynn Strain, Laurie Jones, David Campbell, James Hanold, Lee Jasinski, MaryAnn Ryan, Brandon Paulsen

TRAC Members Absent:

Jeremy Guenther, Justin Bates

DART Staff Present:

Catlin Curry, Luis Montoya, Amanda Wanke, Erin Hockman, Jan Keeling, Sarah Welch, Lewis Lowry, Brandon Smiley,

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order by Brandon Paulsen at 12:02 p.m.
Roll call was taken, and a quorum was met.

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

August minutes were approved.
The motion was approved by Todd Kilzer and seconded by Lee Jasinski.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT

Heather Armstrong: feedback on proposed route changes
Garland Armstrong: commented on electric bus failures and the fiscal cliff in 2026.
Todd Kilzer: When paratransit picks him up, they park in the middle of the drive, which causes issues with other cars in the area.

C. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. DART CEO Introduction (Amanda)

Amanda introduced herself to the TRAC committee and shared some of her thoughts and vision for the future of DART and how TRAC fits into that vision.

2. TRAC Position Openings (Catlin)

Catlin discussed current openings on the TRAC Committee and how we will proceed. The nominating process will begin in November for the Vice Chair position, with voting to take place at the November TRAC Meeting. We will look at current applications to identify people who qualify as a member of TRAC.

3. FY25 Budget & Service Planning (Erin & Luis)

Erin and Luis discussed the upcoming budget and planning process and what the best and worst-case scenarios would be.

D. OTHER BUSINESS

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Committee member contact list – names and emails.
2. New committee members receive a tour of the facility.
3. See / tour the new paratransit buses.

F. UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. DART Commission – Noon Tuesday, October 3, 2023 – Zoom / DCS
2. TRAC – Noon Wednesday, October 25, 2023 – Zoom / DCS

G. ADJOURN

Brandon adjourned the meeting at 1:06pm.
It was moved by Lee Jasinski and seconded by David Campbell.
The motion carried unanimously.