



TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA MEETING AGENDA

TASC Board Meeting
Friday, March 5, 2021
1:30PM Scheduled Start

Dial-in instructions: To be provided through the TASC Conference Agenda

Web connection instructions: To be provided through the TASC Conference Agenda

- I. Call to order & roll call**
- II. Approval of the February 2021 Board Meeting Minutes**
- III. Committee Reports**
 - a. Policy Committee – James Keel, Chair
 - b. Membership / Outreach Committee – Jorge Luna, Chair
 - c. Conference Committee – Brian Piascik, Chair
 - d. Roadeo Committee – Don Strickland, Chair
 - e. Finance Committee – Lynn Stockman, Chair
- IV. Old Business**
 - a. None
- V. New Business**
 - a. Board of Directors for 2021-2022 and election of Officers
- VI. Adjourn**

Attachments:

- 1 – February 2021 Board Minutes
- 2 – TASC Financials

Next Scheduled Meeting: Meeting May 6, 2021 at 10:00 AM
Virtual & Conference Call



**Friday, March 5, 2021
TASC Board Meeting**

Roll call:

BOARD MEMBER	In attendance (X denotes present)
Transit Member	
Brian Piascik, Waccamaw RTA	
Don Strickland, Pee Dee RTA	
Lynn Stockman, Newberry Council on Aging	
Holly Brown, CAT Bus	
James Keel, Greenlink	
Lisa Firmender, Generation Unlimited	
Keith Scott, City of Anderson	
Ron McElhose, Palmetto Breeze	
Business Members	
Barnie Smith, Palmetto Bus Sales	
Jorge Luna, HDR	
Non-Public Specialized	
Thoyd Warren, Babcock Center	
Jenny Swofford	
Andrew Boozer, Senior Resources	
Associate Member	
Mary Mack, Mack Specialized Consulting	
Curtis Sims, SCDOT	
Affiliate Member	
Kat Moreland, Clemson University	
Government Member	
Sharon Hollis, BCD Council of Governments	
Rhonda Mitchell, Lower Savannah Council of Governments	
At-Large Members	
David Bonner, TransDev	
Open	



ATTACHMENT 1

TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA MEETING AGENDA

TASC Board Meeting
Thursday, February 4, 2021
10 AM Scheduled Start

Dial-in instructions: (929) 205 - 6099 | Meeting ID 937 7767 2886 | Passcode 496 155

Web connection instructions: Zoom Meeting, click [here](#)

I. Call to order & rollcall

- Sharon called meeting to order at 10:01AM
- Jorge proceeded with rollcall and noted we had a quorum
- Sharon introduced non-Board member guests:
 - Karla Lynch
 - John Andoh
 - Bob Coble

II. Approval of the January 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

- Sharon asked for a motion to approve the January 2021 meeting minutes
 - Motion to accept the minutes made by: Brian
 - Second: Ron
 - In favor: all
 - Oppose: none
 - Motion result: Passed unanimously

III. Committee Reports

a. Policy Committee – James Keel, Chair

i. Held policy committee conversation

1. No word from SCDOT on funding for next fiscal year
2. Policy Committee noted that TASC needs to create its own legislative agenda, create a series of short and long-term goals to push agenda with local and state leaders
3. It was noted that there should be an advocacy workshop at this year's conference
4. It was noted that a policy committee meeting should be held to start helping guide the direction of legislative concerns
5. It was noted that Bob Cole can help lead the legislative agenda

ii. James noted that FTA has come out with the mask requirement on transit

b. Membership / Outreach Committee – Jorge Luna, Chair

i. Jorge noted that there is a new intern supporting task, her name is Bekah

Knowles

- ii. Excellence awards have been sent out, deadline
- iii. Board nominations are also going out
- c. Conference Committee – Brian Piascik, Chair
 - i. To be covered under old business
- d. Roadeo Committee – Don Strickland, Chair
 - i. Nothing new to report
 - ii. Looking to have regional roadeos in the fall, but it will depend on where we are
- e. Finance Committee – Lynn Stockman, Chair
 - i. Lynn provided an update on the Financials
 - ii. TASC is close to finalizing costs with Clemson, they are working through two exhibitors on payments
 - iii. No word from the IRS at this point
 - iv. Action: Lynn to fax IRS about TASC's designation
 - v. Action: Lynn will check with Ruby Gibbs to see if she has a letter about TASC's designation
- Sharon asked for a motion to approve the committee updates
 - Motion to accept the committee updates made by: Brian
 - Second: Thoyd
 - Discussion: None
 - In favor: all
 - Oppose: none
 - Motion result: Passed unanimously

IV. Old Business

- a. 2021 Conference update
 - i. Brian provided an update on the conference calendar
 - ii. Some coordination is needed with SCDOT on the sessions
 - iii. We need trainings on Human Services side and Grant Writing
 - iv. Jess Segovia is confirmed for the session
 - v. FTA Administrator is confirmed for Friday AM
 - vi. Action: James to set up a touchpoint with Bob Cole for a facilitation for a conference session
 - vii. Kat provided an update on human services approaches for the conference
 - viii. Action: Brian and Curtis to have a conversation about CARES act and 5310 funds; looking for direction and help for guidance from the DOT side for reporting and fund disbursement
 - ix. Key to the event is the content and not making money at this time due to the financial issues faced for all providers because of the virus
- b. Nominating and awards committee update
 - i. Covered during committee updates

V. New Business

- a. Align exhibitor membership fees align to the fiscal year
 - i. There was a discussion on realigning exhibitor member to adjust to a fiscal year push. Previous years we moved to move the membership for exhibitors and this shift has caused problems
 - Kat made a motion to realign exhibitor membership with the fiscal year and extend exhibitor membership through June 30, 2021; exhibitors will become part of the membership push in July of next fiscal year
 - Second: James K
 - Discussion: None
 - In favor: all
 - Oppose: none
 - Motion result: Passed unanimously
- b. Community Transportation Association of America update (John Andoh)
 - i. John noted that there is a CTAA push on a 5-year bill and continue to maintain transit part of the Highway Trust Fund; including raising gas tax and other strategies. He noted the need to make a push on Census results so funding distribution is not negatively impacted. There is a need for financial support for agencies that have been impacted by COVID. He proceeded to share the other priorities for the various providers of different sizes in the nation.
 - ii. John noted that we should focus on rural and small urban agencies, co-advocate between CTAA and TASC on this approach.
- c. Legislative Update – The COMET (John Andoh)
 - i. Bob Cole provided a legislative update to TASC.
 - ii. Working on the bill that the penny funding could be used for transit operations. There is a challenge in court that those funds can only be used for capital. S437 has been introduced and is in the Senate’s Transportation Committee
 - iii. Another bill was also introduced S438 – commercial benches bill
 - iv. Transit movers and shakers in the Senate – Sn. Grooms; and House are several individuals (Pee Dee, Lowcountry, Myrtle Beach) should be the focus; suggest on briefing them and getting help on these issues.
 - v. We need to advocate the state to get more funds from the state gas tax. Bob noted that we organize and contact legislators with consistent message about the benefit of transit.
- d. TASC Mission and Direction (John Andoh)
 - i. John discussed the participation of the COMET at TASC
 - ii. Discussion occurred, TASC supports training, keeping costs down for members, peer exchange, but changes such as legislative direction would be a good direction.

- e. Transit GIS data to support SC DHEC COVID vaccination dashboard
 - i. South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
 - 1. Population Health Data Analytics & Informatics team
 - a. Compiling data to better inform state leadership of the many socio-economic challenges that may prevent an individual from getting the COVID-19 vaccine
 - b. Transportation access is one of these many challenges
 - c. DHEC team working to compile all public transportation systems across the state into one map
 - i. Overlay with population groups and vaccine site locations in hopes to pinpoint then address areas of greatest need
 - 2. Call to action:
 - a. Please email your most up-to-date public transit routes shapefile(s) to creggek@dhec.sc.gov as soon as possible (preferable Feb. 8).
 - b. If available, please send a version with geocoded stops to allow for radius analysis
 - 3. There was a discussion about transporting seniors to vaccination sites and if it was charter service.
 - f. Keith shared that a driver was attacked and the courts viewed that attack minimally and there is some work being done to bolster the penalties of someone that is a public transit servant. There will be a request from the association to support the approach to bolster the penalties. David Bonner noted that they have faced the same issue in Charleston.

VI. Adjourn

- Sharon called for motion to adjourn
 - Motion: Brian
 - Second: Kat
 - Discussion: None
 - In favor: all
 - Oppose: none
 - Motion result: Passed unanimously

VII.

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Lynn Stockman, Newberry Council on Aging	X
Holly Brown, CAT Bus	-
James Keel, Greenlink	X
Lisa Firmender, Generation Unlimited	
Keith Scott, City of Anderson	X
Ron McElhose, Palmetto Breeze	X
Business Members	
Barnie Smith, Palmetto Bus Sales	-
Jorge Luna, HDR	X
Non-Public Specialized	
Thoyd Warren, Babcock Center	X
Jenny Swofford	X
Andrew Boozer, Senior Resources	-
Associate Member	
Mary Mack, Mack Specialized Consulting	-
Curtis Sims, SCDOT	-
Affiliate Member	
Kat Moreland, Clemson University	X
Government Member	
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ATTACHMENT 2

TASC FINANCIALS

<u>TASC Financial Report- July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021</u>		
<u>Checking Acct Balance as of 6/30/20</u>	<u>\$92,542.27</u>	
<u>Deposits-</u>		
<u>8/11/2020</u>	<u>\$1,160.00</u>	BYD Motors- Conf Reg
<u>Expenses-</u>		
Outside Contractual Services		
Postage/Mail Service-		
PO Box Annual Fee	(\$56.00)	
Supplies- Printing		
Misc Expenses		
Google G suite	(\$3.86)	
Service fee Chairty Reg.	(\$1.85)	
SC Charity Registration	(\$50.00)	
Google G Suite	(\$12.84)	
Google G Suite 12/01	(\$12.84)	
Google G Suite 01/01	(\$12.84)	
Google G Suite	(\$12.84)	
Board Meetings Food and Beverage		
TASC Roadeo	(\$510.00)	
Insurance on trailer Liberty Mututal		
Website Maintenance	(\$85.00)	
DRUM Website cost- 7/1/20	(\$85.00)	
DRUM Website cost- 8/1/20	(\$85.00)	
Drum Website cost -9/1/20	(\$85.00)	
Drum website cost 10/1/20	(\$85.00)	
Drum Website 11/01/20	(\$85.00)	
Drum Website 12.01.20	(\$85.00)	
Drum Website 01/01/21	(\$85.00)	
Drum Website 02/01/21	\$92,349.20	
Total		