

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE LEE COUNTY LOCAL COORDINATING BOARD
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING FOR THE TRANSPORTATION DISADVANTAGED**

Held on April 5, 2013 @ 1:30am

Cape Coral – Lee County Public Library, Meeting Room, 921 SW 39th Terrace, Cape Coral, FL

A Representative of:	Voting Members	Agency	Alternates to Voting Members	Agency
The MPO shall appoint one elected official to serve as the official Chairperson for all Coordinating Board meetings.	Commissioner Hall (Absent)	Lee County BoCC	No alternate	
A. A local representative of the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT)	Vacant	FDOT	Richard Shine (Excused)	FDOT
B. A local representative of the Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF)	Dianne Ledbetter (Absent)	DCF	Stacey Lowe (Present)	DCF
C. A local representative of the Public Education Community which could include, but not be limited to, a representative of the District School Board, School Board Transportation Office, or Headstart Program in areas where the School District is responsible	Roger Lloyd (Present)	Lee County School Board	Vacant	
D. In areas where they exist, a local representative of the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services or the Division of Blind Services, representing the Department of Education	Mary Watford (Absent)		Flora Gonzales (Present)	
E. A person recommended by the local Veterans Service Office, representing Veterans of the county	Linda Carter (Present)		Vacant	
F. A person recognized by the Florida Association for Community Action representing the economically disadvantaged	Kim Hustad (Present)	Lee County Human Services	Robin Jewett (Absent)	
G. A person representing the Elderly in the county	(Vacant)		(Vacant)	
H. A person with a disability representing the disabled in the county	Brian Powers (Excused)		(Vacant)	
I-1. [One of Two] Citizen Advocates in the County	Michael Pierce (Present)		Joe Belardinelli (Absent)	
I-2. [One of two] Citizen Advocates this one must be a person who uses the transportation service(s) of the system as their primary means of transportation.	David Lane (Present)		(Vacant)	

J. A local representative for children at risk	Selena Hinsdale (Excused)	Children's Medical Services	Lacey Binkley (Excused)	RCMA
K. In areas where they exist, the Chairperson or designee of the local Mass Transit or Public Transit Systems Board, except in cases where they are also the Community Transportation Coordinator.	Steve Myers (Absent)	LeeTran	Peter Gajdjis (Present)	LeeTran
L. A local representative of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs	Angela Wood (Excused)	Area Agency on Aging for SW Florida	Sue Clarke (Excused)	Area Agency on Aging for SW Florida
M. An experienced representative of the local private for profit transportation industry. In areas where such representative is not available, a local private non-profit representative will be appointed, except where said representative is also the CTC.	Michael Griffin (Present)		Priscilla Hardaway (Absent)	
N. A local representative of the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration	Joe Martinez (Present)	Agency for Health Care Administration	Karen Brooks (Absent)	Agency for Health Care Administration
O. A representative of the Regional Workforce Development Board established in Chapter 445, <i>Florida Statutes</i> .	Jim Wall (Present)	Regional Workforce Development Board	Deb Reardon (Absent)	Regional Workforce Development Board
P. A representative of the local medical community, which may include, but not be limited to, kidney dialysis centers, long term care facilities, hospitals, local health department or other home and community based services, etc.	Sue Maxwell (Present)	Lee Memorial Health Systems	Teresa Frank-Farhner (Absent)	Lee Memorial Health Systems

Also in attendance: Rosalie Berlin – Citizen, Tom Nolan, Debbie Stephens, Michel Harris and Robert Bowman - Good Wheels, Inc., Edgar Martinez, Jamie White and David McDonald – TMS, Don Scott, Meghan Marion and Brian Raimondo – Lee MPO

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Lane at 1:30 pm, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited and introductions were made. Mr. Raimondo declared there was a quorum.

Agenda Item #1 – Minutes from March 1, 2013 Public Hearing Meeting

Motion by Ms. Carter and seconded by Mr. Pierce to approve the Minutes from the March 1, 2013 Public Hearing Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #2 – Minutes from March 1, 2013 Business Meeting

Motion by Ms. Carter and seconded by Mr. Griffin to approve the Minutes from the March 1, 2013 Business Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #3 – Public Comments on Items on the Agenda

None

Agenda Item #4 – Review and Recommend MPO Board Approval of the Selection Committee Rankings for the CTC for the TD for Lee County

Mr. Scott presented the item. He mentioned the Selection Committee met on March 20th and was comprised of Ms. Hustad, Ms. Sayers, Ms. Brown, Ms. Carter (Alternate/Absent) and himself. The Selection Committee ranked Good Wheels one and TMS two. The LCB needs to review the Selection Committee results and make a recommendation to the MPO Board and the CTD for final approval.

David McDonald, TMS, discussed his agency and its background. Questions arose on how they could provide 27,000 more trips than Good Wheels with the same budget. Mr. McDonald said they dissected the last AOR and they compared it against their cost per trip. TMS' cost per trip is about \$10 less than Good Wheels, which amounts to more trips.

Mr. Nolan discussed his agency and previous goals being met.

Ms. Carter discussed how to lessen the no shows and be more efficient by using better technology.

Ms. Hustad questioned what would TMS do as a transition plan for existing customers. Mr. McDonald said Medicaid is an easy transition, because they already have call center staff for other areas. They would contract with those in Lee County, such as Good Wheels, for non-Medicaid. TMS would get the client contacts from Good Wheels and screen the clients to see if they could transfer them over to LeeTran para-transit. If they fall within the route threshold, they would purchase monthly bus passes. He said the first 90 days are the most difficult. They have a shared call center in Clearwater and are able to provide out of state trips.

Mr. Nolan was asked how they had an increase in no shows from one year to the next. Mr. Nolan replied the no shows were accidentally double counted.

Mr. Nolan discussed how Good Wheels is a non-profit and 95% of its budget goes towards trips.

Motion by Ms. Maxwell and seconded by Ms. Gonzalez to forward the Selection Committee's rankings with Good Wheels ranked number one and TSM ranked number two to the MPO Board. Mr. Joseph Martinez and Mr. Griffin abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 – Program Updates & Distribution Items

Mr. Raimondo discussed the TSA Cares brochure regarding ease of travel in airports for travelers with disabilities and medical conditions.

The Calendar of Events, TD Trust Fund Letter and 2nd Quarter Report were distributed.

Agenda Item #6 – CTC News and Reports

Mr. Nolan discussed their upcoming monthly lunch and awards. The ridership and complaint numbers were not available since the first quarter just closed out. The second quarter numbers will be available at the next meeting.

Agenda Item #7 – Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda

None

Agenda Item # – Members Comments

Mr. Pierce said in cooperation with the Red Cross and WINK-TV there will be disaster planning at the CIL on April 24th.

Mr. Martinez said the Board should consider Good Wheels' minimal complaints for the past ten years.

Ms. Carter mentioned hurricane season starts June 1st and to have a disaster kit prepared.

Meeting adjourned at 2:29 pm.