

MINUTES OF THE RIVER PARISHES TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING – May 29, 2026

S. Lewis called the meeting to order at approximately 3:00pm on Friday, May 29, 2026, at the St. John the Baptist Parish Council Chambers, 1811 W. Airline Highway, Laplace, LA 70068. Members present included S. Lewis, P. Beard, N. Nassar, G. Monti, and W. Joseph, Jr. thus achieving a quorum. Members absent included M. Jenkins. Also in attendance were S. Van Sickle (Transdev) and Samuel Slack (Solutient).

S. Lewis asked all board members to review the March 30, 2026, meeting minutes. It was moved to accept by P. Beard and seconded by N. Nassar. Motion carried unanimously.

Comments from the public – I. Mathieu stated that she attended the public hearing and was disappointed by St. John the Baptist Parish “not stepping up to fund service.” She suggested to Parish representatives that they give up fireworks on the 4th of July and the Andouille Festival to fund transit. She suggested that the Parish look at hybrid ways of providing service and hopes that the Parish “steps up to the plate.”

S. Van Sickle presented the Operations Report for March and April 2026. The number of passenger trips in March was 1,640 and 1,504 in April. March’s daily average was 63.07 riders and in April the daily average was 63.42. The average scheduled trips per hour were 1.67 in March and 1.68 in April. There were 17,433 passenger miles traveled in March and 17,744 in April. The ADA denial rate was 0% in both months.

S. Slack presented the Secretary/Treasurer’s Report for March and April 2026. Slack stated that profit and loss for March 2026 shows a net income of \$35,885. For April, there was a net loss of \$67,646.50. The cash flow statement for YTD and from inception through March 2026 shows cash at the end of the period in the amount of \$119,249.75. For April, cash at the end of the period totaled \$ 62,019.91. After the new transactions are considered and including payables prepared after March 31, 2026, the cash balance is \$30,343.12 and after April 30, 2026, the cash balance is \$44,137.09. No pledge reports were required for March or April 2026.

S. Lewis requested a motion for approval of the March/April 2026 Secretary/Treasurer’s Report. Approval was moved by P. Beard and seconded by N. Nassar. Motion carried unanimously.

S. Slack listed the following checks for accounts payable: Solutient, Invoice No. 13041 (March 2026 Services), Check No. 2653, \$6,250; Transdev, Invoice No. 0301-2026 (March 2026 Services), Check No. 2654, \$92,712.48; Solutient, Invoice No. 13066 (April 2026 Services), Check No. 2655, \$6,250; and Transdev, Invoice No. 0401-2026 (April 2026 Services), Check No. 2656, \$92,712.48.

S. Van Sickle directed the board to Resolution No. 03-2026 – a resolution authorizing the RPTA Board Chairperson to complete the Federal Transit Administration’s Certifications and Assurances for FY2026.

S. Lewis requested a motion for approval of Resolution No. 03-2026. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by P. Beard. Motion carried unanimously.

Next, S. Van Sickle discussed Resolution No. 04-2026 authorizing the RPTA General Manager to sign the Affidavit of Certifications and Assurances for FY2026.

S. Lewis requested a motion for approval of Resolution No. 04-2026. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by W. Joseph, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

S. Van Sickle directed the board to the FY26 full apportionment of Section 5307 funding. She stated that the ALIs could be changed, but that she had to submit them to the NORPC by May 5th and there was no meeting in April due to lack of quorum.

S. Lewis requested a motion for approval of the FY26 full apportionment ALIs. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by W. Joseph, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

S. Van Sickle directed the board to a list of four vehicles, (1702-1703, 116, and 1802), that had met their useful lives and had met their useful lives and were eligible for disposition.

S. Lewis requested a motion for approval to dispose of Vehicle #1702, # 1703, #116, and #1802. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by W. Joseph, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

S. Slack discussed PO #2026-001 and supporting documentation for the audit/single audit and SAUP services . He stated that the information is as per the contract and is the amount in that was budgeted. P. Beard noted that the PO description line states FY2024 audit and should be FY2025.

S. Lewis requested a motion for approval of PO #2026-001. Approval was moved by P. Beard with the caveat that FY2024 be changed to FY2025 and was seconded by G. Monti. Motion carried unanimously.

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The board discussed the service change that would eliminate Saturday service and the last hour of weekday service as of June 1st. Following discussion, it was determined that since Transdev is offering the Saturday service for free until August 1st, the service reduction as agreed upon would be suspended until August 1, 2026 or whenever practicable thereafter.

S. Lewis requested a motion for approval to suspend the service reduction until August 1st or whenever practicable thereafter. Approval was moved by P. Beard and was seconded by G. Monti. Motion carried unanimously.

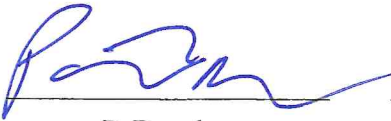
S. Lewis stated that she would like to step down as RPTA Chairperson but would like to remain on the RPTA board.

S. Lewis made a motion nominating P. Beard as Board Chairperson and G. Monti seconded the motion.

P. Beard opened discussion of Vice-Chairperson and nominated N. Nassar. G. Monti seconded the motion.

P. Beard requested a motion to adjourn. Approval was moved by G. Monti. and seconded by N. Nassar.

Having no more business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:45 pm.

 6/25/2026

P. Beard

Date