MINUTES OF THE RIVER PARISHES TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING – August 31, 2026

P. Beard called the meeting to order at approximately 2:07pm on Monday, August 31, 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, W. Joseph, Jr., and M. Jenkins thus achieving a quorum. All members were present. Also in attendance were S. Van Sickle (Transdev) and A. Thompson (Solutient).

Comments from the public – There were no public members in attendance.

S. Van Sickle presented the Operations Report for July 2026. There were 1,746 passenger trips in July. The daily average was 67.15 riders with 1.75 average scheduled trips per hour. There were 20,039 passenger miles traveled.

A. Thompson presented the Secretary/Treasurer's Report for July 2026. Thompson stated that profit and loss for July 2026 shows a net loss of ($48,481.18). The cash flow statement for YTD and from inception through July 2026 shows cash at the end of the period in the amount of $166,652.83. After the new transactions are considered and including payables prepared after July 31, 2026, the cash balance is $81,502.19. No pledge reports were required for July 2026.

P. Beard requested a motion for approval of the July 2026 Secretary/Treasurer's Report. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by N. Nassar. Motion carried unanimously.

A. Thompson listed the following checks for accounts payable: Solutient, Invoice No. 13110 (July 2026 Services), Check No. 2664, $6,250; Transdev, Invoice No. 0701-2026 (July 2026 Services), Check No. 2665, $86,682.40; and Demetria Carter, Invoice #792 (FY2024 Audit and SAUP Final Payment), Check No. 2666, $1,750.

P. Beard requested a motion for approval of the July 2026 Accounts Payable. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by S. Lewis. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed the board insurance issue. Following a review of Transdev's insurance covering the RPTA, the board members believed that they are covered without separate board insurance. They decided that they would still like the RPTA's attorney's opinion. It was decided that G. Monti and S. Van Sickle would call the attorney following the meeting.

The board discussed the service change that would eliminate Saturday service and the last hour of weekday service. A. Thompson stated that $85,000 in additional funds has been promised to the RPTA from St. John the Baptist Parish. She stated that the amount would be enough to maintain the current levels of service (no reductions) for the remainder of the year. D. Breun has agreed to continue offering Saturday service at no cost to the RPTA until October 1, 2026.

N. Nassar submitted a motion from the floor requesting that the subcommittee researching potential collaborations with local agencies create a report covering their activities. This should be added to old business as notes on activities involving partnerships and funding sources.

P. Beard requested a motion for approval of the motion to have the subcommittee prepare notes on activities involving partnerships and funding sources. Approval was moved by G. Monti and seconded by W. Jseph, Jr. Motion carried unanimously.

Thompson requested that the board approve her to solicit three-five qualifying sources to complete the FY2025 audit and SAUP (as applicable). G. Monti stated that he was happy with D. Carter's work.

P. Beard requested a motion for approval of Solutient to solicit three-five qualifying sources to complete the FY2025 audit and SAUP (as applicable)***. Approval was moved by W. Joseph, Jr. and seconded by N. Nassar. Motion carried unanimously.***

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

Having no more business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at approximately 2:45 pm.



P. Beard

10/21/2026

Date