

CATS Board of Commissioners Monthly Board Meeting

Tuesday, January 28, 2025 4:30 pm

MINUTES RECORDING

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the CATS Board of Commissioners Meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m. by President deGeneres.

2. ROLL CALL

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Attendee Name	Title	Status
Carolyn Coleman	Member at Large	Present
Melissa deGeneres	President	Present
Michelle Dennis	Secretary	Present
Patrick Downs	Member	Absent
Johnathan Hill	Vice-President	Present
Tremaine Sterling	Member	Present
Frederick Thomas	Member	Present
John Vukovics	Treasurer	Present

3. Public Comment

No public comments were given during the public comment section. However, Commissioner Thomas requested George Decuir to speak before entering the executive session. The topic was ATU negotiations.

4. APPROVAL December 17, 2024, Monthly Board Minutes

RESULT: ACCEPTED MOVER: deGeneres SECONDER: Thomas

YEAS: Coleman, deGeneres, Dennis, Hill, Sterling, Thomas, Vukovics

NAYS: ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Downs

5. President's Announcements

a. President deGeneres made remarks on the ongoing CATS and ATU Labor Union Contract.

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- 6. Administrative Matters
 - a. CEO Update Theo Richards
 - January Events
 - January Financials
- 7. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance & Executive: Ms. Melissa deGeneres
 - b. Technical, Policies & Practices: did not meet
 - c. Audit: did not meet
 - d. Community Relations & Planning: Mr. Johnathan Hill & Mr. Patrick Downs
- 8. New Business
 - a) Consideration and approval of Contract Extension for LYNX by CATS Baker

Microtransit Services MOVER: deGeneres SECONDER: Coleman

YEAS: Coleman, deGeneres, Dennis, Hill, Sterling, Thomas, Vukovics

NAYS: ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Downs

b) Consideration and approval of Contract Renewal with Mansfield Oil'

MOVER: deGeneres SECONDER: Coleman

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NAYS: ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Downs

- 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION These matters may be discussed in Executive Session
 - a. For discussion of the character, professional capabilities, and physical and mental health of CATS' CEO, Theo Richards. Notice of the right to public discussion has been issued.
 - b. Litigation update in the matter entitled "Jessica Washington vs. CATS" Suit No. 24-06342 on the docket of the Office of Workers Compensation.
 - c. Strategy and status regarding collective bargaining negotiations for a renewed contract with ATU Local 1546.
 - d. Review of CATS Safety Assessment
- 10. Consideration and approval to enter into Executive Session at 5:07 p.m.

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NAYS: ABSTAIN:

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11. Consideration and approval to exit Executive Session at 5:40 p.m.

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12. Adjournment deGeneres/Coleman

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