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**Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority Intermodal Committee  
Wednesday, March 13, 2019 -1:30 P.M.  
3613 Lucius Road, Columbia, SC 29201 - Conference Room A**

**Members Present:**

Derrick Huggins, Chair  
Lill Mood  
Jacqueline Boulware\*

**Guests Present:**

Julius Williams, Transit Rider  
John Fellows, City of Columbia  
Reginald Simmons, CMCOG

**Absent Committee Members:**

Joyce Dickerson

*\*Indicates participation by phone.*

**COMET Staff Present**

John Andoh, Executive Director/CEO  
LeRoy DesChamps, Director of Administration & Operations/CDO  
Paige Jernigan, Administrative & Customer Service Specialist

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Huggins called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

**DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum was present at the opening of the meeting.



## 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

### Motion:

A motion was made by Ms. Mood and seconded by Ms. Boulware to adopt the agenda.

**Approve:** Huggins, Mood, Boulware

**Absent:** Dickerson

**Motion passed unanimously.**

## 3. MINUTES

*Placeholder*

## 4. OLD BUSINESS (John Andoh)

*Placeholder*

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

### A. Purpose of Intermodal Committee

Mr. Andoh reviewed the purpose of the committee.

### B. Establishment of Work Plan for FY 2019 - 2020

Mr. Andoh reviewed the proposed work plan as defined below:

Understanding funding sources & projects

Priority of projects

Coordination with relevant agencies

Coordination with relevant organizations

Mr. Huggins mentioned to include all colleges, not only USC. Mr. Huggins recommended inviting county staff, county manager, etc. Doug Frate, SCDDT was recommended by Mr. Simmons.

Mr. Andoh recommended that the Intermodal committee should study the packet and then the form a working session involving Mr. Fellows and Mr. Simmons presenting their ideas and see where we align.

Mr. Huggins stated that this committee really needs to focus on realistic goals.

### C. FTA Capital Improvement Grants Process and Fiscal Capacity



Mr. Andoh stressed the importance of working closely with agencies, legislature and funding sources that will help us remain fiscally sustainable. Mr. Simmons recommended before approaching any funding sources, we need to have a feasible project that is comprehensively prepared.

Discussion regarding intercity rail ensued. Mr. Huggins stated that a rail plan at this point is not where our focus should be, and Mr. Andoh agreed that The COMET is not in a situation to spearhead a project that size now. Mr. Huggins mentioned the importance of focusing of the Sumter & Laurel location.

Mr. Fellows commented that there are projects out there that are more aligned with a 15 - 20year realistic goal and some that could be accomplished in 5 years. Ms. Mood reiterated the importance of getting the right people involved with this committee, "champions". Mr. Andoh explained that FTA dollars will only fund a small percentage and we would be responsible for the other portion.

6. LEGAL/CONTRACTUAL/PERSONNEL (may require executive session)

None

7. ADJOURN

Mr. Huggins adjourned the meeting.

This meeting adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

CENTRAL MIDLANDS REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Adopted this April 18, 2019, Agenda Item \_\_\_\_\_

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Approved by:



Andy Smith, Secretary

