



2817 Canal Street  
New Orleans, LA 70119

**New Orleans Regional Transit Authority**  
**Operations & Administration Committee**  
**Meeting Agenda - Final**

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**Thursday, April 10, 2025**

**9:00 AM**

**RTA Board Room**

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**1. Call To Order**

**2. Roll Call**

**3. Consideration of Meeting Minutes**

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**4. Committee Chairman's Report**

**5. Chief Executive Officer's Report**

**6. Chief Transit Officer's Report**

**7. Chief Asset Manager Officer's Report**

**8. Chief Safety/Security Officer's Report**

**9. New Business**

**10. Audience Questions & Comments**

**11. Adjournment**



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## Board Report and Staff Summary

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#### 1. Call To Order

#### 2. Roll Call

**Commissioners Present:** Commissioner Sams, and Commissioner Guidry,

**Commissioner Absent:** Commissioner Daniels

**Present** Chairperson Timolyn Sams, and Commissioner Mitchell  
Guidry

**Absent**

#### 3. Consideration of Meeting Minutes (February 13, 2025)

**Present** Chairperson Timolyn Sams, and Commissioner Mitchell  
Guidry

**Absent**

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Commissioner Guidry moved and Commissioner Sams seconded to approve the Meeting Minutes of February 13, 2025. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Guidry, seconded by Chairperson Sams and approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Chairperson Sams, and Commissioner Guidry

**Absent:** Moore

#### **4. Committee Chairman's Report**

Commissioner Sams stated that the RTA finished with its major events that took place in the City and now was preparing for festival season.

#### **5. Chief Executive Officer's Report**

The monthly Chief Executive Officer's Report was presented. This report can be found in the PowerPoint Presentation for the Operations and Administration Report.

The CEO informed the Committee that the agency received a letter from DOT regarding Federal Grants. The letter did not give any specific dates and is trying to see if this would affect any grants that were already awarded by FTA. The CEO explained that employee salaries are not charged to grants but all consultants/contracts that work on Capital Projects are charged to federal grants. The concern is if things change on the Federal Level how this will impact signed contracts.

#### **6. Chief Transit Officer's Report**

The Chief Transit Officer presented the monthly Report. This report can be found in the PowerPoint Presentation for the Operations and Administration Report.

During the report, the CEO stated that the City of New Orleans was doing grout work near the intersection by the Hard Rock Hotel. The City stated that the work will be completed on March 24, 2025. Once completed all streetcar service will be available for the French Quarter Fest.

Regarding On-Time Performance, the CEO stated the Committee will receive a copy of the agency's adopted service policy. Commissioner Guidry would like staff to make sure that the two buses that staff were running for the bus bridge is enough to accommodate the riding public. The CEO explained that the Line Supervisors make the decisions in the filed regarding detours and route interruptions. They also decide if additional buses are needed to the line. Commissioner Sams inquired how the RTA communicates with the riding public when there are issues on the routes and is staff taking into consideration all the interruptions that may take place on bus routes and making the schedules accordingly. The CEO stated that staff's goal is to get disruption information to the riding public quickly and accurately.

## 7. Chief Asset Manager Officer's Report

The Chief Asset Manager Officer presented the monthly Report. This report can be found in the PowerPoint Presentation for the Operations and Administration Report.

During the report it was stated that the Farebox Recovery Rate is less than 10% of Operating Cost. The CFO stated that the Board was going to receive a Fare Report at the Finance Committee and she will make sure that Commissioner Guidry receive a copy of the report.

Regarding streetcars, it was reported that the system has power constraints. For example, all of the St. Charles streetcars can't run at the same time, but all 15 Canal Streetcars can run on the Canal Streetcar Line at one time. It was further stated that the tariffs will eventually cause concerns with the RTA procurement process. Commissioner Sams commented that staff should be talking to the Lieutenant Governor about making the streetcars a part of his Cultural Economy.

Commissioner Guidry asked staff to receive the pull-ins and pull-outs reports from the vehicle side and would like the Paratransit ADA Report to be placed back on the committee's agenda.

## 8. Chief Safety/Security Officer's Report

The Chief Safety/Security Officer presented the monthly Report. This report can be found in the PowerPoint Presentation for the Operations and Administration Report.

It was reported that there was a bomb threat during the snowstorm. Every streetcar was searched and service resumed with no detection of any threats. The Committee was informed that the City was notified regarding the signal at the UPT Station. In response to a question from Commissioner Sams, the CEO stated that the RTA currently has no bus service inside the French Quarter and staff will engage with the City on this initiative.

## 9. New Business

None.

## 10. Audience Questions & Comments

None.

## 11. Adjournment

Commissioner Guidry moved and Commissioner Sams seconded to adjourn the Operations and Administration Committee Meeting dated March 13, 2025. The motion was adjourned unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Guidry, seconded by Chairperson Sams and adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Chairperson Sams, and Commissioner Guidry

**Absent:** Moore

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