



The March 26, 2020 conference call meeting of the BJCTA Board of Directors was held in accordance with the March 2020 Proclamation issued by the Governor of Alabama at 3:32pm.

**ATTENDEES**

LeDon Jones	Johnnye P. Lassiter	Theodore “Ted” Smith	Frank T. Martin
Valerie Rivers	Anita Griffith	Stephanie Walker	Glenn Dickerson
Darryl Grayson	Courtney French	Christin French	Colin Alexander
DiNaira Gilbert	Roy S. Johnson		
J.O. Hill			

**ROLL CALL**

**Board of Directors**

Darryl Cunningham	A	Ruby Davis	A	Donald Harwell	A
LeDon Jones	P	Johnnye P. Lassiter	P	Sam Parker	A
Kevin Powe	A	Martin Weinberg	A	Theodore “Ted” Smith	P

\*(P) Present (A) Absent (T) Tardy

DiNaira Gilbert, Board Administrator, conducted roll call and a quorum was not established. The meeting continued as an informational meeting only.

Attorney Courtney French confirmed that the meeting would proceed as informational because no quorum had been established.

Mr. Martin delivered an update on the following:

- 1) Mr. Martin provided an update on the concern shared by Director Cunningham during the last call about whether the members of the Hills Janitorial team responsible for sanitizing the fixed route and paratransit vehicles were trained and/or certified in hazmat. Mr. Martin shared that those individuals are not hazmat train nor are they required to be. The Board was informed that an email would be sent containing descriptions of the chemicals provided by the vendor being used including a representative that has been in contact with our Safety and Maintenance Departments. Mr. Martin shared the new cleaning processes in place at Central Station and the 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Location. He assured the Board that the methods in place align with the practices of other authorities.
- 2) Mr. Martin updated the Board on an incident that take place that morning where a passenger became ill and vomited on a vehicle that has now been taken out of service along with three other vehicles (a total of 4) that have been quarantined. A hazmat team has been secured for the cleanup of those four vehicles. Those vehicles will not be put back into service until they have been cleaned by a certified hazmat vendor. These measures will only be taken when there is known contamination and release of bodily fluid.
- 3) Mr. Martin shared an update on the negotiations with the local ATU branch to discuss the Pandemic Leave MOU. There will need to be another meeting and executive session to discuss the agreement with Board. Attorney Ford has been actively assisting the authority in this process.
- 4) Mr. Martin reported that due to the decrease in ridership (that is also being experienced all over the country) some authorities are implementing modified schedules. There were a series of meetings today with the Planning Department to discuss a modified holiday schedule to be implemented possibly Monday morning. The modified service will be in place indefinitely. The information will be shared with the public and the media.

Ms. Lassiter joined the call and Mr. Martin informed her that she was the third Board Member to join the call. She expressed her concerns of not being notified. Board Support assured Director Lassiter that going forward her personal emails would be added to the public notice email list to ensure she receives all future notices. Mr. Martin provided Director Lassiter a brief re-cap of what had been covered. Director Lassiter shared that she had spoken with Operator Spence and boarded the bus to see the seating restrictions that have been put in place. Director Lassiter expressed the importance of the board being informed when it pertains to the modifying the routes. Mr. Martin shared that a notice will be sent to schedule a meeting for the following day along with the information pertaining to the proposed modifications

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:01pm