

RESULTS / MINUTES “FINAL”
(ETSAB) Edmonton Transit System Advisory Board
Monday, April 20th, 2015
5:30PM – 7:00PM
Conference Room B, Basement, Scotia Place
Meeting No. 15.04

Results prepared by Carissa Campbell

Present:

Izak Roux (Chair), Bruce Robertson, Shannah Sutherland, Bob Macklon, Anand Pye (Deputy-Chair), Chris Dulaba, Mariah Samji, Vlad Slavov.

Regrets:

A. Mannix, Varinder Bhullar, Laurie Young, Steve Bradshaw (President, ATU 569), Glen Dennis (City Administration), Cliff Henson (City Administration).

Guests:

John Vandenbeld (Past ETSAB Member, guest of Bruce Robertson).

ETS & City Staff:

Jennifer Laraway (Communications Advisor), Lorna Stewart (Director of Customer Experience & Innovation), Patricia Waisman (Staff Liaison), Carissa Campbell (Recording Secretary).

Materials & Attachments:

- **Material Package:**
 - Agenda
 - Minutes from April 30th, 2015
 - Branch Highlights Report
 - Downtown April Service Changes
 - Major Downtown Route Changes
 - Ridership Comparison
 - 2015-2016 Workplan
 - Downtown Route Changes Summary Sheet
 - Low Income Transit Pass Pilot Report CR 1332
 - Major Route Changes Bookmark (Marketing)

1. CALL TO ORDER

- Call to order at 5:30PM.

2. AGENDA REVIEW

DECISION

- Remove Low Income Transit Update from Information.

MOVED: by S. Sutherland & seconded by M. Samji to approve the March 30th, 2015 agenda.

CARRIED

MOTION CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES		DECISION
Approval of the March		I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revise Section 5 – Park & Ride. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Re-write to remove the word increase to “reviewed / discussed”. 		
MOVED: by B. Macklon & seconded by A. Pye to approve the minutes with the above noted revision.		
<u>CARRIED</u>		<u>MOTION CARRIED</u>

4. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: ETSAB PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR 2014, PART 1		DECISION
Annual Workplan		I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed the 2015 – 2016 Annual Workplan. Subcommittees, potential leaders and timelines have been identified. Q&A session ensued. 		
MOVED: by A. Pye & seconded by V. Slavov to approve ETSAB's 2015-2016 Workplan.		
<u>CARRIED</u>		<u>MOTION CARRIED</u>
Low Income Transit Update		B. Robertson
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focused on reviewing the Low Income Transit Pass as high level and big picture. Commenting on the Administrative Report going to Transportation Committee on April 23, 2015. Discussed in camera. 		

5. UPDATES: ETSAB PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR 2014, PART 2		INFORMATION
Bus Rapid Transit		A. Pye
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update. Goal of June 30th, 2015 to have a deliverable item to be approved by the board. 		
Park & Ride		M. Samji
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No update. Goal of June 30th, 2015 to have a deliverable item to be approved by the board. 		

6. TRANSIT BRANCH MONTHLY REPORT	INFORMATION
April 2015	P. Waisman
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed the Branch Highlights report. Discussed ridership figures Provided update on Smart Bus. 	

7. INFORMATION SECTION	INFORMATION
DAG Update	R. Macklon
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DATS statistics are improved. March 2015 ridership up by 2%. DATS 40th Year Anniversary will be celebrated on April 28th at the DATS. The original 40th year Anniversary scheduled for Fall 2015 has now been postponed to Spring 2016. Discussed the possibility of DATS going through with a name change. In the initial stages of planning and implementation. 	
ATU 569 Update	S. Bradshaw
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates. 	
New ETSAB Members	I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 new members to be welcomed to the board in May 2015. They will be introduced to ETSAB with a weekend retreat scheduled for May 9th, 2015. 	

8. MEMBER RETIREMENT	INFORMATION
Retirement of Members	I. Roux
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recognition and acknowledgement of retiring members: Bruce Robertson, Chris Dulaba, Shannah Sutherland, Varinder Bhullar. 	

9. TOPIC OF THE NIGHT	DECISION
March 2015	A. Pye
<p>Low Income Transit Pass:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The board spent much of the meeting discussing the low income transit pass and the proposed implementation report from ETS. As you know, we've been advocating for such a pass for some time. The board agreed on a presentation that balanced our 	

unwavering support of the pass as originally presented, with concerns over administration's implementation plan that would have been inefficient, and also raised AISH fares. We want to thank Council and all of the hard working agencies in Edmonton that presented. Transportation committee showed real leadership by moving ahead with the LITP, and we look forward to its final endorsement in the 2016 budget.

Retirements:

- The board would like to make a special note to thank some retiring members.
 - Varinder Bhullar (May 1, 2014 - April 30, 2015)
 - Shannah Sutherland (January 1, 2013 - April 30, 2015)
 - Chris Dulaba, Former Vice-Chair (February 16, 2011 - April 30, 2015)
 - Bruce Robertson, Former Chair (April 29, 2009 - April 30, 2015)

APPROVAL

May 25th, 2015

Minutes approved at ETSAB meeting.

Next Meeting Information:

Date: Monday, May 25th, 2015
Time: 5:30PM – 8:00PM
Location: Heritage Room, City Hall

Annual Meeting Dates:

January 26th, 2015	May 25, 2015	September 28, 2015
February 23rd, 2015	June 29, 2015	October 26, 2015
March 30th, 2015	July 27, 2015	November 30, 2015
April 20th, 2015	August 31, 2015	December 28, 2015