PITTSBURGH REGIONAL TRANSIT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 2026

The Pittsburgh Regional Transit (PRT) Board of Directors held its regular meeting on June 26, 2026, at PRT Administrative Offices, 345 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, following proper public notice.

The following Board members were in attendance in person: Jennifer Liptak, Chair, Stephanie Turman, Dr. Chris Brussalis, Bobbie Fan, Laura Sohinki, Tia McClenney, and Tom Burgunder. The following members participated via TEAMS: Senator Lindsey Williams, Emma Shoucair, Rep. Aerion Abney, and Joe Totten. Board Solicitor Amanda Kraft attended in person.

Board Chair Jennifer Liptak called the meeting to order and began by recognizing the passing of former Board Member John Tague, honoring his leadership, advocacy, and lasting contributions to public transit and the community. Attendees observed the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence in Mr. Tague's memory.

The first order of business was the approval of the minutes. A motion was made to approve the minutes from the May 29, 2026 Regular Meeting and the minutes were unanimously approved.

CEO Report

CEO Kelleman asked for a moment of silence in honor of the two active and twelve retired PRT employees who have passed since the Board's last meeting. They were Operators Floyd Brown Jr., Walter Comin III, James Miley, David Nath, Kiel Owens, and David Rouda; Signal Maintainer Richard Linnert; Manager of Employee Relations James Downing; Service Persons Kevin Kvocka and Stephen Patek; Receiver Joseph Montuoro Jr.; Garage Attendant Theodore Salka; Body Repairperson James Simon; and Project Clerk Jane Welka.

On behalf of PRT staff, Ms. Kelleman also extended deepest condolences to the families of Hadiza Buhari and Cody Wilhelm, as well as to all grieving the loss of former Board member John Tague, a dedicated advocate for public transit and the community. She noted that Mr. Tague will be deeply missed, and PRT looks forward to working with his family to appropriately honor his legacy.

Ms. Kelleman reported that public engagement for the second draft of the Bus Line Redesign, now called the Bus Line Refresh, concluded at the end of May after three months of outreach throughout Allegheny County including approximately 70 engagement events, generating significant public feedback. Following review of community input, operational testing, and financial sustainability analyses, Ms. Kelleman described that PRT staff developed nearly 60 refinements to the proposed network, including service restorations, increased frequency on key routes, improved connections, and targeted financial adjustments.

She advised that the project is entering its next phase and that the Board will be asked at the next meeting to authorize the formal public hearing process for the final network design. She emphasized that this future action would not represent final implementation approval.

Approved

Ms. Kelleman also highlighted the upcoming closure of Parkway East (I-376), beginning July 10, and encouraged travelers to utilize transit as an alternative transportation option during the construction period.

Performance Oversight Committee Report

The Chair called on Member Tia McClenney, Chair of the Performance Oversight Committee, for a report.

Chair McClenney reported that the Performance Oversight Committee met on June 18, 2026, and had two resolutions for the Board's consideration.

Committee Chair Tia McClenney reported that during its June 18, 2026 meeting, the committee reviewed six procurement items, determined them to be consistent with PRT procurement requirements and recommended authorizing the award of the bids listed in the resolution in the total amount of $1,556,009.00. On behalf of the Performance Oversight Committee, Chair McClenney respectfully requested approval of the resolution. A motion was made, seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the resolution be approved as presented.

Chair McClenney also summarized that the committee heard a report regarding the Centre Avenue Bridge Restoration Project construction and recommended awarding a contract to Mosites Construction Company in the amount of $1,777,777.00, subject to completion of pre-award requirements, for the project, which includes bridge repairs, bearing replacements, structural support improvements, painting, and traffic control measures.

Chair McClenney noted that during the Committee meeting it was reported that this agreement would also authorize PRT to execute any additional necessary agreements, including with Norfolk Southern and other entities related to this Project. On behalf of the Performance Oversight Committee, Chair McClenney respectfully requested approval of the resolution. A motion was made, seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the resolution be approved as presented.

That concluded the report of the Performance Oversight Committee.

Planning and Stakeholder Relations Committee Report

Chair Liptak called on Planning and Stakeholder Relations Committee Chair Stephanie Turman to submit a report.

Chair Turman reported that the Planning and Stakeholder Relations Committee met on June 18, 2026.

Committee Chair Stephanie Turman reported that, during its June 18, 2026 meeting, PRT staff updated the Committee that April ridership reached approximately 3.6 million passengers, including ridership during the NFL Draft which increased by 51 percent compared with a comparable three-day period without a major event.

Approved

Ms. Turman further noted that PRT staff reported that overall, on-time performance remained consistent with bus on-time performance having improved modestly, increasing by two percent over the previous month.

That concluded the report of the Planning and Stakeholder Relations Committee.

<u>Finance Committee Report</u>

The Chair called on Member Emma Shoucair, Chair of the Finance Committee, for a report.

Committee Chair Emma Shoucair reported that the Finance Committee met on Thursday, June 18, 2026.

Committee Chair Emma Shoucair presented a resolution on behalf of the Finance Committee authorizing the fifth-year administrative budget for Transdev to continue management of ACCESS paratransit services in Allegheny County, stating that the agreement provides up to $2,468,000 for the period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, representing a 2.8% increase from the prior year.

On behalf of the Finance Committee, Chair Shoucair respectfully requested approval of the resolution. A motion was made, seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the resolution be approved as presented.

Ms. Shoucair also stated that during the June 18, 2026 meeting, the committee also reviewed May 2026 financial results. She described that PRT staff reported that Operating income exceeded budget by approximately $300,000, while expenses were $3.1 million below budget, year-to-date operating income was $2.7 million above budget, expenses remained $40.3 million below budget, primarily due to staffing vacancies and reduced purchased services, subsidy revenue increased significantly over the prior year, and cash reserves totaled $487 million at the end of May.

That concluded the report of the Finance Committee.

<u>Technology Committee Report</u>

The Chair called on Member Tom Burgunder, Chair of the Technology Committee, to submit a report.

Committee Chair Tom Burgunder reported that the Technology Committee met on Thursday June 18, 2026.

Committee Chair Tom Burgunder reported that, during the meeting, the committee reviewed three procurement items and recommended awards totaling $5,732,225.27. On behalf of the Technology Committee, Chair Burgunder respectfully requested approval of the resolution. A motion was made, seconded and it was unanimously agreed that the resolution be approved as presented.

Approved

Chair Burgunder also reported that the Technology Committee received a presentation on Clever Devices, which encompasses a suite of systems designed to support both internal transit operations and customer-facing services with key components of the system which include onboard vehicle technologies as well as the rider-facing TrueTime information platform.

Board Member Bobbie Fan requested additional information regarding the status of GTFS Realtime updates. PRT Chief Technology Office, Jeffrey Devlin responded that an immediate response was not available but that he would promptly follow up with a more specific update.

That concluded the report of the Technology Committee.

Chair Liptak then transitioned to public comment where two speakers addressed the Board.

Andrew Hussein, President of the Allegheny County Transit Council, addressed concerns related to public participation processes and the transition from ConnectCard to ReadyFare. Mr. Hussein stated that certain speakers were unable to provide comments at the previous Board meeting due to logistical and timing issues and noted that, despite registering to participate virtually, he did not receive the meeting access link.

He also expressed concerns regarding the ReadyFare transition, citing personal challenges with the balance transfer process, including documentation requirements and transfer limitations.

Additionally, he raised concerns regarding difficulties which may be faced by users with lost or unregistered cards and suggested that potential system inconsistencies may be affecting customer experience.

Stuart Strickland commented on opportunities to improve rider information and transit accessibility. He noted that third parties' event materials frequently lack accurate or complete transit information and suggested incorporating QR codes into promotional materials to provide attendees with direct, point-to-point transit directions. Mr. Strickland stated that this approach could improve the ease of using public transit, reduce customer confusion, and encourage increased ridership while helping to alleviate roadway congestion.

There being no further speakers, the public comment period was closed.

The Chair noted that the next regularly scheduled Board meeting is July 24, 2026.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Approved