

Durham County
Transportation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2012

Present:

Joe Kilsheimer
James Ray Sanders
Joan Pellettier
Stephani DeBerry
Wayland Burton

Others Present:

Willie Williams
Antoinette Glover
Linda Crawford
Margaret Scully

Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

Introductions

Stephani DeBerry was introduced as a new Board member.

Approval of Minutes:

TAB approved minutes from May 8, 2012 meeting (Motion made by Kilsheimer, seconded by Pellettier, passed unanimously.)

Performance Reports:

Performance reports were reviewed for May and June.

Updates:

The TAB approved FY12 service allocations equal to the amount of final FY12 expenditures for each agency/category as reflected in the final expense table that will be determined following minor adjustments to the expense table shared in the meeting packet. (Motion made by Pellettier, seconded by Sanders, passed unanimously.)

Staff outreach efforts since the last TAB meeting included: Morehead Hills Senior Housing, a presentation at the Durham Housing Authority annual conference, Durham Connects, Durham Regent public event, and individuals who inquire directly about DCA services. Along with several new passenger applications received from Morehead Hills, DCA will be piloting a group shopping trip in July with residents.

The State budget has been approved with a 3% cut to NCDOT Public Transportation Division grant programs. The impact of this cut on DCA grants is not yet known.

The NCDOT has released its Regionalization Study which outlines the requirement of all public transportation providers in the State to identify their policies and plans for regionalizing services.

DCA Grants

- The Job Access/Reverse Commute 5316 contract has still not been received.

- The TTAP 5317 New Freedoms (mobility management and operating) has been funding MM activities/staff since January and will cover purchase of service beginning FY13.
- The NCDOT has approved an extension and a change of scope on the TTAP 5310 Elderly and Disabled grant. An amended contract allowing for the direct purchase of service from the existing third party contractor has been received, executed by the county, and returned to the State for final signatures.
- The ROAP FY13 application public hearing was held and the application submitted for the full \$230,600 allocation.
- We are awaiting the FY13 CTP 5311 admin and capital grant contracts.

New Business:

The City of Durham will be reviewing its policy defining the service area for DATA Access. Currently residents of the City of Durham are provided with DATA Access service. The City will consider shrinking the service area to that which is legally required by the ADA (ie. providing service to residents who reside within ¼ mile of a fixed-route bus route).

The TAB approved (motion by Burton, seconded by Kilsheimer, passed unanimously) the following service allocation requests for FY13:

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| Durham Center for Senior Life | \$105,000 |
| DSS/Adult Services | \$50,000 |
| Durham Exchange Club Industries | \$8,000 |
| Durham Senior PharmAssist | \$3,560 |
| Retired Senior Volunteer Program | \$2,000 |
| DSS/Workfirst - EMPLOYment funds | <u>\$12,696</u> |
| Total agency request | \$181,256 |

Staff will continue to work with agencies who have not yet submitted a request or whose request is likely less than the actual agency need. As additional allocation requests are received, they will be brought to the TAB for approval.

July 2012 is survey month for DCA. Staff will be conducting a telephone survey with all passengers who are approved by the CTP to receive service through DCA. This does not include Medicaid-approved passengers, DATA Access passengers or passengers of other contracted service. For those who do not respond by phone, a copy of the survey will be mailed to their home.

Announcements:

Durham County Smoke-Free Ordinance will be in effect beginning August 1, 2012.

The Orange County Transit Plan referendum is scheduled for November, 2012.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm.