

**PORT AUTHORITY TRANSIT CORPORATION
BOARD MEETING**

**One Port Center
Camden, New Jersey
Wednesday, September 18, 2024**

Pennsylvania Commissioners

James Schultz, Esq., Chairman of the Board
Pasquale Deon, Sr. (for Pennsylvania Auditor General Timothy DeFoor)
Allison Deibert, Esq. (for Pennsylvania Treasurer Stacy Garrity) (via Teams)
Donna Powell
Gregory Schwab, Esq.
Vaughn Ross (via Teams)
Keiwana McKinney-Forde (via Teams)
Robert Ghormoz (via Teams)

New Jersey Commissioners

Jeffrey Nash, Esq., Vice Chairman of the Board
Albert Frattali
Richard Sweeney
Sara Lipsett (via Teams)
Aaron Nelson (via Teams)
Daniel Christy (via Teams)
Bruce Garganio (via Teams)

DRPA/PATCO Staff

John Hanson, Chief Executive Officer
Jalila D. Parker, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Raymond J. Santarelli, Esq., General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
Toni Brown, Chief Administrative Officer
Jerry Sahi, Chief Financial Officer
Michael Venuto, Chief Engineer
John Rink, PATCO General Manager
Robert Hicks, Chief Operating Officer
Robert Finnegan, Chief Safety and Security Officer
David Aubrey, Inspector General
Ed Cobbs, Jr., Chief of Police
Stephen M. Holden, Esq., Deputy General Counsel
Rohan Hepkins, PATCO Deputy General Manager
Christopher Jones, Director, Information Services
Matthew Licata, Director, Fleet Management
Ricardo DeOliveira, Director, WWB/CBB
Joseph McAroy, Director, BFB/BRB (by Teams)
Darlene Callands, Acting Director, Government Relations & Grants Administration
Christina Maroney, Director Strategic Initiatives
Darcie DeBeaumont, Director, Finance, DRPA
Mark Ciechon, Director, Finance PATCO
Jesse Mickel, Acting Manager Purchasing & Stores
Kathleen P. Vandy, Esq., Assistant General Counsel

Amy Ash, Manager, Contract Administration
Carol Herbst, Senior Accountant, Finance (via Teams)
Sean Longfellow, Lieutenant of Police, BFB – Public Safety
Mike Williams, Manager, Corporate Communications
Dawn Whiton, Executive Assistant to the CEO
Matthew Pezzato, Project Manager, BFB – Public Safety
Tiffany N. Taylor, Legal File Clerk, Office of General Counsel
Amanda Hammock, Administrative Coordinator, Corporate Secretary
Katherine Hilinski, Records Manager, Office of General Counsel
Anne Nelson, Executive Legal Secretary to the General Counsel

Others Present

Alexis Franklin, Esq., Associate Counsel, New Jersey Governor’s Authorities Unit)
Hayden Rigo, Esq. (for Pennsylvania Auditor General Timothy DeFoor) (via Teams)
Alan Kessler, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)
Jessica Priselac, Esq., Duane Morris, LLP (via Teams)
Ryan Frascella, Board Liaison, Bellevue Strategies, LLC (via Teams)
Christopher Gibson, Esq., Archer a& Greiner, P.C.
Meredith Rubin, Esq., Connell Foley LLP

OPEN SESSION

Roll Call

Chairman Schultz called the meeting to order at 9:42 a.m. and asked that the Corporate Secretary call the roll. The following Commissioners were present, constituting a quorum: Chairman Schultz, Vice Chairman Nash, Commissioners Frattali, Ghormoz, Powell, McKinney-Forde, Deon, Nelson, Schwab, Ross, Christy, Deibert, Lipsett, Garganio, and Sweeney.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Report of the General Manager

PATCO General Manager Rink stated that the Report of the General Manager stood as previously submitted. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Sweeney moved to approve the General Manager’s Report and Commissioner Fratalli seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted to accept the Report. The motion carried.

Approval of the August 21, 2024, PATCO Board Meeting Minutes

Chairman Schultz stated that the Minutes of the August 21, 2024, PATCO Board Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners and the Governors of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. There were no comments on or corrections to the Minutes. Commissioner Schwab moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes. The motion carried.

Receipt and Filing of the Lists of Previously Approved Payments covering the Month of August 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the List of Previously Approved Payments covering the month of August 2024 was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Deon moved to receive and file the List and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Receipt and Filing of the List of Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the Month of August 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the List of Previously Approved Purchase Orders and Contracts covering the month of August 2024 was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Fratalli moved to receive and file the List and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Approval of Balance Sheet and Equity Statement dated June 30, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the Balance Sheet and Equity Statement dated June 30, 2024, was previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no questions or comments. Commissioner Schwab moved to receive and file the Balance Sheet and Equity Statement and Commissioner Powell seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried.

Approval of Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting Minutes of September 3, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the Minutes of the September 3, 2024 Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Schwab moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes. The motion carried.

Adoption of Resolution Approved by the Operations & Maintenance Committee on September 3, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that there was one (1) Resolution from the September 3, 2024 Operations & Maintenance Committee Meeting for consideration:

PATCO-24-020 Travel Options Program (TOP) Grant: PATCO Fare Enhancements to Improve User Experience

PATCO General Manager Rink presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to enter into an agreement with Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission to perform services under the Travel Options Program (TOP), entitled PATCO Fare Enhancements to Improve User Experience. This agreement will be in a not-to-exceed amount of \$180,166.00 (\$144,133 TOP grant and \$36,033 matching funds by the Authority). Commissioner Frattali moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Powell seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

Approval of Finance Committee Meeting Minutes of September 4, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that the Minutes of the September 4, 2024 Finance Committee Meeting were previously provided to all Commissioners. There were no comments or corrections. Commissioner Deon moved to approve the Minutes and Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative to approve the Minutes. The motion carried.

Adoption of Resolution Approved by the Finance Committee on September 4, 2024

Chairman Schultz stated that there was one (1) Resolution from the September 4, 2024, Finance Committee Meeting for consideration:

PATCO-24-19 PATCO Network Upgrade 2024

Information Services Director Jones presented the Summary Statement and Resolution seeking Board authorization for staff to negotiate a contract with ePlus Technology, Inc, for an amount not to exceed \$508,930.58 for the procurement of hardware and software upgrades to PATCO's network infrastructure. This purchase is provided with pricing under the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's COSTARS 3 Hardware contract and COSTARS 6 Software contract. Commissioner Fratalli moved to adopt the Resolution and Commissioner Schwab seconded the motion. There were no questions or comments from Commissioners on this item. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The motion carried and the Board adopted the Resolution.

Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business.

Executive Session

There were no Executive Session items.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Commissioner Fratalli moved to adjourn the Meeting. Commissioner Sweeney seconded the motion. All Commissioners in attendance voted in the affirmative. The Meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Raymond J. Santarelli, Esquire
General Counsel and Corporate Secretary