

Coos County Area Transportation District (CCATD)
Board of Directors & CCATD Advisory Committee
Meeting

MINUTES

Coos County Area Transit
800 N Bayshore, Coos Bay, OR 97420
July 14, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER - Meeting called to order at 9AM by Director Harper Thompson.

2. ROLL CALL/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOD Present: Director Veysey, Director Claassen, Director Dovenspike, Director Nelson, Director Thompson, Director Taylor

BOD Absent: Director Johnson,

3. ROLL CALL/CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AC Present: Cynthia Ramirez, Richard Rogers, Lauren Morris

AC Absent: Michelle McIntyre, Michael Babcock, Lindsay Ward

Staff and Others Present: Selena Kelly Irvin, Melissa Metz, Jane Stebbins, and Jennifer Boardman.

4. CHANGES TO AGENDA - None

5. RIDER TESTIMONY ON SERVICE CURTAILMENT (Limited to three minutes/person)

- Karen Dubisar the Assistant Executive Director of North Bend City Housing Authority states that they are the managing agency for the Powers Housing Development, which is 202 Elderly and Disabled housing that relies heavily on CCATD services. She is hoping to work together towards a better option than completely eliminating the bus services to Powers.
- Mary Rowe states that the Roseburg route is important for veterans needing to get to their medical appointments. We should do extensive research and planning before considering ending this service. Representative Court Boice and OR Senator David Brock Smith sponsored SB550, which would have supported Veterans with transportation needs for Coos and Curry Counties, but it did not pass. She found that not all veterans know of the services offered by CCATD. She suggests we form a committee and possibly a task force to help do the research and outreach to solve these issues.
- There was a written testimony from Jason Steen. He is a resident at the Powers Housing Development. Many of those residents don't have their own vehicles, so they rely on CCATD transportation on Thursdays to get to medical appointments. He is concerned for the negative impact on local residents if the Powers services were ended.

6. CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS - none

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of [BOD Minutes Jun 9, 2025](#)

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Accept the [Financial Report](#) and [Balance Sheet](#) for May 2025

Accept the Ridership Report for May 2025

BOD Motion: Director Nelson to accept the Consent Agenda with an amendment to strike the Ridership Report. Director Dovenspike seconded. All in favor were Directors Nelson, Veysey, Claassen, Taylor, Thompson and Dovenspike. There were none opposed, and no one abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

8. OLD BUSINESS - NONE

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Service Curtailment

Background: Transit agencies have traditionally received STIF at the start of each quarter, along with federal reimbursements occurring 60 to 120 days after expenses have been incurred. This results in a precarious cash flow for public transit. ODOT can no longer function as a buffer by providing interim funds to cover federal reimbursements which may be as long as six months. Additionally, the cost of operating a transit vehicle has risen by 47% since 2019. The existing employee payroll tax of 0.1% that was implemented in 2018 won't be sufficient in mitigating the increasing costs to operate along with delays in cash flow. Staff recommend service curtailment as a strategy to mitigate the risk of funding uncertainties.

Recommendations for curtailment effective Aug 1, 2025:

- Suspend weekly service to Roseburg
- Suspend BEE on demand services, Bunker Hill, Eastside and Englewood currently available weekdays 10:15 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. and 2:35 p.m. to 3:25 p.m.
- Reduce Dial-A-Ride in Coquille/Myrtle Point from five days to two days a week: Monday, Wednesday, (Powers is on Friday)
- Reduce Dial-A-Ride in Bandon from three days to two days a week Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 AM to 2:15 PM

AC Motion: Richard Rogers moved to approve that the Advisory Committee recommend that the Board of Directors support the staff recommendation regarding service curtailment as presented effective Aug 1, 2025. Lauren Morris seconded. Cynthia Ramirez was in favor. The motion passed unanimously.

BOD Motion: Director Nelson moved to adopt the staff recommendation to curtail Roseburg, BEE, Dial-A-Ride Coquille/Myrtle Point, and Dial-A-Ride Bandon effective Aug 1, 2025. Director Veysey seconded. All in favor were

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This agenda does not limit the ability of the Directors to consider additional subjects. The CCATD Board reserves the right to place a time limit on public testimony on any matter. The meeting place is accessible to those with disabilities. If a special accommodation is needed, please contact the office at least 24 hours prior to the meeting (541.267.7111).

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BOD Motion: Director Veysey moved to appoint a committee to work toward opening the Roseburg route again by October. Director Claassen amended that motion to set up a committee to find an alternative solution to the Roseburg route curtailment. Director Nelson seconded the amended motion. All in favor of appointing Lauren Morris, Director Claassen, and Director Dovenspike to a committee to handle the feasibility of the Roseburg route were Directors Nelson, Veysey, Claassen, Taylor, Thompson and Dovenspike. There were none opposed, and no one abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

10. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

- a. Grants Submitted: FTA, JA Mogan Foundation
- b. Melissa has been working with Anastacia at Crow/Clay to prepare the NEPA package which will go to ODOT and then FTA for the Mobility Hub.
- c. Regarding the ridership report. We have been working with Passio to track the mileage and hours and scheduling for CCATD. What they represented as a robust reporting system is very difficult to get information out of. Melissa has had at least 6 meetings trying to get data out of the system. There are still issues. There are more meetings scheduled and we will have to get this resolved because we have to get accurate information in order to get accurate costs and reporting.
- d. Melissa met with the Coos Bay livability committee a few weeks ago and gave them general information on the Transit Center and Mobility Hub. OPB reached out to her afterwards and requested to interview her about the Hub.

11. CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS - None

12. NEXT MEETING –

- **CCATD Board Assessment Workshop, August 11, 2025 9AM**
Plan on being physically present.

13. ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 10:07AM by Director Thompson.