



Allen County Regional Transit Authority
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 12, 2026

The Allen County Regional Transit Authority Board of Trustees met on **April 14, 2026 @ 12:00 p.m.** in the Allen County Regional Transit Conference Room, 200 East High Street, Suite 1-B, Lima, Ohio. Proper public notice was given in advance of the meeting. Mr. Kimmet, ACRTA Board President, conducted the meeting.

PRESENT: Daniel Kimmet, Board President
Precious Payne, Vice President
Madelyn Downing
Brad Taylor
Richard Schroeder
Jacob Rigali

STAFF: Brian Wildermuth, Executive Director
Teresa Brown, Secretary/Treasurer

CONTRACTORS: None

ABSENT: Jack DeWitt

LACRPC: Rebecca Phillips, Executive Director

CITIZENS: Ryan Spitzer, Isaac Wiles
Barbara Rhoades, Ohio Transit Risk Pool

Minutes:

1. Roll Call

Mr. Kimmet called the meeting to order at approximately 12:00 p.m. Ms. Brown took roll call. A quorum of the Board was present.

2. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Downing made a motion to approve the agenda. Mrs. Payne seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

Mr. Schroeder made a motion to approve the April 14, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Citizens Comments

None.

5. RPC Updates

The ridership surveys are being compiled, a few remarks were listed. LACRPC has been providing information on Mercer and Putnam counties for the upcoming Ohio Workforce Mobility Partnership Program (OWMPP) grant application.

6. Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Ms. Brown presented March's financials, including a summary of profit and loss, year to date comparison to budget, detailed profit and loss prior year comparison, and balance sheet.

A Cash Receipts Journal and a Cash Disbursements Journal were also included. Revenue is up and expenses were under budget, with a net gain for the year to date.

Mrs. Payne made a motion to accept the Secretary/Treasurer's report. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Action Items and ED Report

April's ridership was 20,484. This was up 923 from the month before and up 2,270 from that time the previous year. Van Wert's Microtransit accounted for 227 of the 280 total trips, and we are getting trips from Wan Wert's JFS, and Board of DD.

We have been set up at two job fairs and have hired a few employees including an HR Manager who will be starting on May 18th.

The back section of the concrete at the garage is done. They will seal it on May 15th, and it can be driven on May 18th. Weather permitting Hume will start on the concrete for the front entrance, it should be completed and drivable approximately 3 - 4 four weeks from there. While that is being worked on the vehicles will use the back entrance.

The OWMPP grant opened on 4/27/2026 and closes on 5/29/2026. ACRTA will apply for funds to expand services. Information provided by LACRPC shows the travel time, mileage and ridership to and from the various surrounding counties. There is an upcoming meeting with Putnam County on the 21st.

Mr. Rigali made a motion to move forward with the expansion project. Ms. Downing seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Discussion Items

None.

9. Executive Session

Mr. Schroeder made a motion to move to Executive Session for the purpose of considering the purchase of real property. Mrs. Payne seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Schroeder- yes, Mr. Kimmet - yes, Mrs. Payne- yes, Mr. Taylor - yes, Mr. Rigali - yes, Ms. Downing - yes.

Ms. Phillips, Mr. Spitzer and Mrs. Rhoades left the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

Roll Call to return: Mr. Schroeder- yes, Mr. Kimmet - yes, Mrs. Payne- yes, Mr. Taylor - yes, Mr. Rigali - yes, Ms. Downing - yes.

The meeting was back on record at approximately 12:30 p.m. Mr. Spitzer and Mrs. Rhoades returned to the meeting.

Mr. Taylor made a motion to continue negotiations for the lease of the discussed property with right of first refusal. Mr. Rigali seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schroeder made a motion to move to Executive Session for conference with ACRTA's attorney concerning disputes involving the public body that are the subject of pending or imminent court action.

Roll Call: Mr. Schroeder- yes, Mr. Kimmet - yes, Mrs. Payne- yes, Mr. Taylor - yes, Mr. Rigali - yes, Ms. Downing - yes.

Meeting moved to Executive Session at approximately 12:34 p.m.

Roll Call to return: Mr. Schroeder- yes, Mr. Kimmet - yes, Mrs. Payne- yes, Mr. Taylor - yes, Mr. Rigali - yes, Ms. Downing - yes.

The Meeting was back on record at 1:21 p.m. No action is being taken at this time.

10. Adjourn

Mr. Taylor made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Downing seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:22 p.m.

Submitted: 
Teresa Brown, Secretary/Treasurer

Approved: 
Daniel Kimmet, ACRTA Board President