

# Secretarial Notes

## DMATS Policy Board meeting

**Date:** Thursday, May 8, 2025  
**Time:** 12:00 p.m.  
**Place:** ECIA, 7600 Commerce Park

### DMATS Policy Board Members Present:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Brad Cavanagh (chair)</b> <i>Mayor, City of DBQ</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Laura Roussell</b> <i>DBQ City Council</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Danny Sprank</b> <i>DBQ City Council</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Katy Wethal</b> <i>DBQ City Council</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Ric Jones</b> <i>DBQ City Council</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>David Resnick</b> <i>DBQ City Council</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Susan Farber</b> <i>DBQ City Council</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vacant</b> <i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Mike Van Milligen**</b> <i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Gus Psihoyos**</b> <i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Teri Goodman**</b> <i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Marie Ware**</b> <i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Wally Wernimont**</b> <i>(proxy for DBQ City Council)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Jim Adams</b> <i>Mayor, City of Asbury (proxy John Richey)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Melvin Degenhardt**</b> <i>Mayor, City of East DBQ (proxy Vacant)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Brian Lucey</b> <i>Grant County Representative</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Harley Pothoff**</b> <i>Transit Rep. (RTA) (proxy Stacie Scott)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Francis Schelfhout**</b> <i>Wisconsin DOT (proxy Justin Johnson)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Doug DeLille</b> <i>Illinois DOT (proxy Katie Smith)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Troy Maggied</b> <i>SWWRPC City Council</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Russ Pfab**</b> <i>Small Cities Rep. City of Peosta (Proxy Annette Ekhoft)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Joe Heitkamp</b> <i>Jo Daviess County</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Robert Daughters**</b> <i>Jule Transit Rep. (proxy Ryan Knuckey)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ann McDonough (VC)</b> <i>DBQ County Supervisor (proxy Wayne Kenniker)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hector Torres-Cacho*</b> <i>Iowa DOT (non-voting member)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Beth Bonz**</b> <i>ECIA (proxy Vacant)</i>		

**Others Present:** Bob Schiesl, Paul Uzel, Sherry Quanme

### Staff Present

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Chandra Ravada</b> *Non-Voting Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dan Fox</b> **Voting member by Proxy	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Sarah Berning</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Jack Studier</b> *** Attendance by phone
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A quorum was present for DMATS Policy Board

## **Call to Order**

The DMATS Policy Board meeting was called to order by DMATS Policy Board Chair Brad Cavanagh. Introductions were made at this time.

## **Review/Approve the revised Agenda for the Thursday, May 8, 2025, DMATS Policy Board meeting**

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to approve the revised agenda for the Thursday, May 8, 2025, DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Review/Approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, March 13, 2025 meeting**

Motion by Resnick, second by Scott to approve the minutes and receive and file the secretarial notes from the Thursday, March 13, 2025, DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

## **Review/Approve Final Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 DMATS Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP)**

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to open the public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing was opened at 12:04 p.m.

Ravada stated that staff received input from the DOT on the formatting of the budget for the TPWP. No other changes were made to the TPWP. Ravada stated the new changes will be made prior to staff submittal to IA DOT.

Motion by Resnick, second by Wethal to approve the Final Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 DMATS Transportation Planning Work Program (TPWP). The motion passed unanimously.

## **Review/Approve Fiscal Year 2026 Passenger Transportation Plan (PTP)**

Studier stated the PTP is the MPO planning document that covers transit and other forms of passenger transportation. The PTP is a joint document between Regional Planning Affiliation (RPA) and DMATS. Fox stated the PTP covers four counties; Delaware, Dubuque, Jackson and Clinton. It also covers four transit systems; RTA, The Jule, Riverbend Transit and Clinton MTA. The primary purpose of the PTP is to cover needs based justifications for transit systems. PTP is required to be updated every five years.

Motion by Jones, second by Resnick to close the public hearing. The motion passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed at 12:09 p.m.

Motion by Resnick, second by Wethal to approve the Fiscal Year 2026 Passenger Transportation Plan (PTP). The motion passed unanimously.

### **Review/Approve resolution to support the designation of the Mississippi River Trail within the limits of DMATS**

Schelfhout stated Wisconsin DOT is looking to get this trail designated as an approved bike trail and in order to do so they need resolutions from all areas within the limits of the trail. Having the route designated will allow the WISDOT to map and sign the trail, promoting bicycle tourism in the area. The trail is located primarily on the Wisconsin All-American Great River Road National Scenic Byway (WIS 35) between Prescott and Illinois State Line, but also routed on other state and county highways, local roads or alternative routes.

Discussion followed.

Motion by Resnick, second by Jones to approve the resolution to support the designation of the Mississippi River Trail within the limits of DMATS. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Update on Safe Routes and Streets for All Plan**

Fox informed the board that currently the consultant is working on the data analysis and working on locations where safety projects are needed and project recommendations and project costs needed at those locations. Once that information is shared with staff, staff will share it with the board, public and stakeholders for input. Fox went through some of the data received and stated eventually a final draft will be compiled for the plan.

Fox stated at this point the work that has been completed by the consultant is to review and revise and staff are requesting feedback from the public, stakeholders and the board.

Discussion followed.

### **Update on Transportation Alternative application**

Fox stated the applications were released March 21<sup>st</sup> and stayed open until April 25<sup>th</sup>. Fox stated there is \$500,000 for TAP projects. Fox stated staff received no applications for this round of TAP projects. Fox stated there are no applications for this round of TAP projects, but possibly at a later date some applications will come across the board's agenda.

### **Date and Time for DMATS Goal Setting**

Save the date for DMATS Goal Setting meeting on June 25, 2025. More information to follow.

### **Comments from public on an item that did not appear on the agenda**

Uzel gave an update on the rail bill.

### **Other Business**

No other business.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by Jones, second by Wethal to adjourn the Thursday, May 8, 2025, DMATS Policy Board meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The DMATS Policy Board meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Chandra Ravada  
ECIA Director of Transportation and Planning