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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 8, 2022

Committee Chairperson Dan Saracki called the June 8, 2022 Legislative Committee meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Members present: Dan Saracki, Jamie Robinson, Jeff Gow, and Gina Driscoll. Members absent: David Allbritton and Kathleen Peters. Also present: Brad Miller, CEO, and PSTA staff members. Zoom: Ron Pierce, RSA Consulting; and Harry Glenn, Van Scoyoc.

Public Comment:

There were no public comments.

Action Items:

Approve March 2 and April 13, 2022 Minutes – Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gow, to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Information Items:

State Legislative Update – Mr. Pierce gave an update on the State Legislative issues including the State budget, the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA) funding, and the upcoming session. Questions were asked about TBARTA's funding and the announcements regarding the VW settlement, and the Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) grants, which Mr. Pierce answered.

Federal Legislative Update – Mr. Glenn updated the Committee regarding the Washington D.C. trip on June 14th to discuss the SunRunner project and the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant. He also talked about the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) projects, the Appropriations process, and the Infrastructure Bill. Questions were asked about the Low-No grant application for electric buses and the ferry funding, which Mr. Glenn answered.

Other Business:

Mr. Miller mentioned the Formula grants that PSTA receives from the Federal government and how the money is split among area transit agencies. He stated that the Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority (HART) is requesting a change in the formula, so they receive more funds.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m. The next Legislative Committee meeting is scheduled for July 13th at 9:00 a.m.