

## MCOTA Meeting Agenda

March 27, 2024 | 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Meeting will be held virtually via Zoom.

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### MCOTA members:

- Chair: Tim Sexton – Assistant Commissioner for Sustainability, Planning, and Program Management, Minnesota Department of Transportation
- Vice-Chair: Diogo Reis – Director, Health Improvement and Benefit Design Division, Minnesota Department of Human Services
- Peter Brickwedde – Assistant Commissioner of Government and External Affairs, Minnesota Department of Commerce
- Ron Quade – Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs
- Brandon Kasprick – Policy Advisor, Office of Governor Tim Walz and Lieutenant Governor Peggy Flanagan
- David Fenley – ADA Director, Minnesota Council on Disability
- Kelly Garvey – Transportation Specialist, Minnesota Department of Education
- Nick Lardinois – Executive Budget Officer, Minnesota Management and Budget
- Maureen Melgaard Schneider – Interim Chair, Minnesota Board on Aging
- Brandon Nurmi – Director, Minnesota Public Transit Association
- Shirley Schoening Scheuler – Active Living Coordinator, Minnesota Department of Health
- Gerri Sutton – Director, Metropolitan Council
- Jenny Pelletier – Certified Orientation and Mobility Specialist, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

1:00 **Call to Order and Member Roll Call** – Chair

*Action: Roll call*

1:05 **Review and Approve November Meeting Minutes** – Executive Director

*Action: Approval (vote, via chat)*

- 1:08 **Review and Approve January Meeting Agenda** – Chair  
*Action: Approval (vote, via chat)*
- 1:10 **Review and Approve January Meeting Minutes** – Executive Director  
*Action: Approval (vote, via chat)*
- 1:13 **Review and Approve March Meeting Agenda** – Chair  
*Action: Approval (vote, via chat)*
- 1:15 **MCOTA FY 2025/26 Strategic Direction** – Chair/all members  
*Action: Information and Discussion*
- MCOTA Priorities Survey Results
  - Discussion to the Focus of the Top Priorities
  - Next Steps
- 2:00 **MCOTA Work Teams** – Executive Director  
*Action: Information and discussion*
- **Removing Barriers** – Brandon Nurmi, Arrowhead Transit Director
  - **Accessibility** – David Fenley, ADA Director MN Council on Disability
  - **Communications** – Executive Director
    - 2023 Annual Report
    - March 2024 Newsletter
    - MCOTA Website Updates
  - **Volunteer Driver** – Colette Hanson, Arrowhead Transit Assist Director
    - Lunch & Learn Series
      - February 28, Lunch & Learn, What’s New in Transportation Access
        - 33 Participants, 4 Presenters, 2 Staff
      - April 24<sup>th</sup>, 12-1 p.m., Lunch & Learn on Shared Vehicles
    - Research Needs Statement Approved by MCOTA November 2023
- 2:25 **Proposed Partnership** – Maureen Melgaard Schneider, Board on Aging – Interim Chair  
*Discussion of this proposed collaboration*
- Reena Shetty, Mn DHS Aging and Adult Services Division Director and Mn Board on Aging Executive Director
  - Kirsten Olson, DHS- MN Board on Aging Legal Developer and MN Age Friendly Interim Director
  - Discussion on Age Friendly Minnesota and MCOTA (MnDOT) Collaboration: Volunteer Driver Study
- 2:50 **Public Comment** – Chair  
*Members of the public are each allowed up to three minutes for comment.*
- Live Webinar by Alzheimer Association, 4/9, 4-5 p.m. – Ashley Craiglow, ARDC

2:55 **Future MCOTA Meetings** (1:00-3:00 p.m.) – Executive Director

- May 22, 2024
- June 26, 2024 – CCAM Roundtable
- July 24, 2024

3:00 **Adjourn** – Chair

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