

August 26th, 2019 R4RTCC Meeting Minutes

In attendance: See Sign in sheet

In attendance by phone: Carolyn Strad, Lina (at Ucare), Katie Ennen, Carla Solem, and Sue Siemers

Power Point Overview - See attachments that were emailed

1. Creating Directory
2. Meeting with "Gaslight" – marketing company
3. Volunteer committee
4. MNDOT Asking for DHS to participate
5. Public Transit – send maps

Presentations from Public Transit Providers

1. **MATBUS – Lori VanBeek** – See PowerPoint and website www.matbus.com
2. **Rainbow Rider – Brenda** - see www.rainbowriderbus.com for schedules and routes

45 Drivers – 5 Dispatchers – 10 Volunteer Drivers

176, 000 Rides last year

Adding more routes – needing more buses in Wheaton

Long Prairie to Staples – Health Related Services

Joint Powers two commissioners from each county on their Board

3. **Otter Express** – see website www.otterexpress.com for schedules and routes

21 people employed

10,000 – 12,000 passengers per month

4. **City of Morris Transit** – see website ci.morris.mn.us/transit.php

On Demand – Curb to Curb service M-F 6 to 10 Sat. noon- 4 Sun. 8 – 12:30

Hourly stops on campus

4 buses in Summer and 5 in Winter - children ride free with parent

Future – would like to have a fixed route

Governance is by the City of Morris

Looking at adding an Electric Bus

Fargo/Morehead is currently small urban but will become large urban next year. Currently can use Federal funds for operating or capital - large urban is capital only, but under 100 buses can use 75% for capital.

Directory Collection Form – review the questions to be asked – this is pdf fillable form. Meet face to face with providers to get the information so they can get an understanding of the RTCC.

Proposed for 2020 to meet every other month at WCI 1:00PM

Meeting Adjourned 2:0PM

Next meeting October 28th, 1:00PM West Central Initiative, Fergus Falls