



## Transportation Subcommittee

### Meeting Minutes

5/22/18

8:30 – 10:00 AM

**Attendees:** Darlene Bentz, David Bulkowski, Joan Konyndyk, Karyn Pelon, Meegan Joyce, Michael Bulthuis, Sue Sefton, Rich Jones, Debbi Coleman, Susan Cervantes

#### I. Welcome/Introductions

Introductions around the room, state your name and organization.

#### II. Citizen's Agenda- Getting there Together

- a. The Rapid- The Wave is the new electronic fair system. The system is account based rather than all the values on a card. It will speed boarding. It will eliminate 1.7 transfers that are printed each year. The Wave card can be purchased online, at the Station, or soon retail outlet. Also, an app will be released. Adult reduced fair, student, youth, the wave partner program are the categories. The Wave card will have a 105-minute window to use as many transfers as a client wants. Eventually, paper tickets will be discontinued, but cash is always accepted. Capped fares- pay-as-you go system. Once a client reaches the cost of a monthly pass, they ride as though they've paid a 31-day pass. There is a two-minute window, so a client cannot double tap for a friend. A ten-ride card will still be available. Initially, cards will be handed out to encourage use but there will be a three-dollar upfront cost or replacement fee. Agencies are encouraged to contact Admin to register. Implantation is planned for the 2018 summer. Universal reduced fare card- 65-year-old and disabled individuals. A green sticker will be released so a client can put the sticker on their reduced fare card and that will be accepted throughout the state. It is not accepted in all locales but eventually they hope to be fully integrated.
- b. Wheels to Work- A monthly 3.8% growth. Drivers are being hired so they can continue to grow. Detroit has also expressed interest to bring the program over there. Costs have gone up so 8 dollars per trip is the new price for new companies. Eventually existing clients will be notified of the new cost as the grant funds are not sustainable forever. Hourly rates for drivers are starting rather than per ride fares. It was asked that they prepare a PowerPoint presentation to illustrate the finer points of this program.

#### III. Strategic Planning

- a. Wende would like to dive into more research as more time allows.

#### IV. Ridelink

- a. Current Status- There still exists a small driver issue but riders are up. The service is staying busy. Numbers can be emailed to either ENTTF or everyone.

#### V. Additional Updates



- a. Medicaid rights and mental health training the 31<sup>st</sup> of May 10-2 P.M. Michigan Family Voices is hosting the training.

