River Valley Metro Mass Transit District
Metro Centre, 1137 E 5000 North Road, Bourbonnais IL 60914
Board of Director Meeting Minutes
August 25, 2026

Chairman Argyelan called the regular monthly River Valley Metro Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

Attending Board Members: Chairman Mark Argyelan, Vice-Chairman Jerry Pearce, Secretary Nick Allen, Treasurer Ron Jackson, Board Members David Hinderliter, Kenny Blake, and Ryan Nugent.

Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Managing Director Siron Sims, COO Ken Munjoy, Director of Administration Mandy Taylor, Assistant Director of Administration Bri Whybrew, Director of Facilities Tim Goodman, MPO Tobe Fulford.

Others Present: WDU GM Malcom Williams

Pledge of Allegiance led by: Malcom Williams

Public with Business to Come Before the Board:
None

Consent Agenda: David Hinderliter made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Ron Jackson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken of those in attendance, with all in favor. Consent agenda approved.

Communications:
Chairman's Report: Mark Argyelan
Thanks for assisting VAC with transportation to the Bourbonnais Friendship Festival.

Managing Director's Report: Siron Sims
The IDOT Risk Assessment became a review for every public transportation system in Illinois. We are assessed as a Medium Risk due to the answers to 3 questions. One question was misunderstood and answered incorrectly. The other two were regarding software that we have looked at and determined to be too

expensive for our operation. The Medium Risk assessment resulted in required training which is underway.

Operations Report:
Malcom Williams reported that we have 58 operators, 56 of which are available. We have 4 more in training.

Ken Munjoy reported that June ridership this year was 50,815, compared to 48,317 last year. FY 26 ended down 3.4% from last year. In July, we provided 52,255 rides this year compared to 50,128 last year.

CCS and Transit Officers transported 67 people in June and 62 in July.

Complaints/Comments: Ken Munjoy
In the previous 2 months, we had a total of 36 complaints, 19 of which were valid. We also had 1 compliment.

Board Report:
David Hinderliter mentioned that it is nice to see the electronic sign working again.

New Business
CVP Board Resolution
A public hearing is scheduled for today. David Hinderliter made a motion to allow the Managing Director to enter into the CVP application to acquire new buses. Nick Allen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

5339 Board Resolution
The FTA has issued a Notice of Funding. We need new Heavy Duty buses. They are still available on the Washington State contract at a base price of $660,607 each. We need at 15% match and are working to get that from IDOT's Transit Development Credits (Toll Credits). Nick Allen made a motion to authorize the Managing Director to submit an application. Motion was seconded by Ryan Nugent and passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

Old Business
Planning Study
Via submitted route change recommendations, including two micro transit zones.

Questions from the news media:
None

Other Business to come Before the Board:
None

Executive Session:
None

Adjournment
Jerry Pearce made a motion to adjourn at 8:43 AM. Motion was seconded by Kenny Blake and passed unanimously in a voice vote.