

**TRANSIT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**Thursday August 13, 2009**

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PRESENT: Rick Sanderson  
Jenifer Falls, Huntersville  
D Evans, Charlotte  
Scott Jernigan, Charlotte  
Terry Lansdell, Charlotte  
Anthony Wesley, Charlotte  
Rob Cornwell, Davidson  
Charles Jolla, Charlotte

STAFF: Larry Kopf, Duretta Weicken, Pamela White, Ramond Robinson,  
Manny Kennerly, Judy Dellert-OKeef, Rocky Paiano, John Bisser, Jon Mojzisek,  
Patrick Hoskins

MEETING TIME: 4:00-5:30 PM

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**I. Call to Order and Approval of May Meeting Summary**

Chairman Rick Sanderson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. The June meeting summary was approved as written.

**II. Public Comment:**

Mr. Green asked if the local and express routes could be separated because of the July fourth schedule. Larry Kopf stated CATS will probably run more local service but will need to discuss any decision since the route will be affected again this coming July 4 holiday. Larry also stated that the routes could not be separated out.

D. Evans asked if the schedules would be affected for Thanksgiving & Christmas this year. Larry answered yes but CATS has looked ahead at the rest of the holidays and have the schedules set.

Terry Lansdell asked how often the timetables were updated. Larry stated the big system map is updated every year but the individual timetables go along with schedule changes so if a route isn't changed the timetable is the same. CATS will look at and reword schedules as appropriate.

**III. Information Items:**

**A. Sprinter Bus Update**

**Larry Kopf**

The committee road on the Sprinter bus, and Larry Kopf gave a brief recap of the Sprinter service slated to begin operating on September 14, 2009. The bus features were pointed out, including the hybrid technology, the green paint scheme designed to give the service a unique brand, and the additional floor space for luggage. The bus also has one luggage rack. Specially designed bus stops and shelters at key stops would further brand the service. Larry responded to a question and indicated that variable message signs with real time information were planned for key stops, but would likely not be functional by September 14<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Tour of VMF**

**Rocky Paiano**

Rocky Paiano escorted the TSAC committee through the Vehicle Maintenance Facility; the committee had not toured the facility since its completion.

**IV. Service Discussion**

**ALL**

There was no service issues discussed.

**V. Chairman's Report**

**Rick Sanderson**

Rick gave report from the last MTC meeting stating that the MTC gave approval of the Celanese Express Bus service to Rock Hill, and the Concord Mills Express Saturday service.

**VI. Interim Manager of Operations Report**

**Larry Kopf**

Larry indicated that CATS ridership was up over 12% for FY09 compared to the previous year. Also Safety & Security conducted a fare blitz and 14 out of 1299 individuals were found in violation of the fare, which is just over 1%.

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NEXT TSAC MEETING: THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2009 4:00 PM