

## PASSENGER/REGIONAL RAIL COMMITTEE

### Minutes

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

- A. Chair Rob Scherer (Ashland) **called the committee to order** at 2:02 PM via Zoom.
- B. **November 11, 2024 meeting minutes:** The Chair requested a motion to approve the minutes. Brian Kane (Executive Director) noted some grammatical edits provided by Steve Olanoff (Westwood). Greg Guimond (Marshfield) moved to approve the minutes with the typos corrected. Bruce Leicher (Harvard) seconded. The motion was approved without objection.
- C. B. Kane presented the **2025 Charter** to members and opened for discussion. The membership discussed the monthly schedule, B. Leicher identified a redundancy in the “Charge” description, R. Epstein asked if Belmont could be added to the list of member towns, R. Epstein also suggested that the committee might produce some kind of deliverable as an annual report or committee summary to be issued in advance of the full Board’s final meeting in December. The Chair requested a motion to approve the 2025 Charter. B. Leicher moved to approve, which was seconded by G. Guimond. The motion was approved without objection.

**D. Schedule and standing items:** the membership expressed interest in covering the following topics regularly at committee meetings. The members requested a monthly dashboard of the listed metrics.

- a** On time performance and related metrics (quarterly)
- b** The RFP and bid process for Commuter Rail contract
- c** Progress of Regional Rail transformation
- d** Updates on ridership and fare collection
- e** South Coast Rail
- f** Expansion of other regional transit options to connect spokes
- g** Commuter Rail parking
- h** Commuter Rail schedules
- i** Accessibility initiatives, state of high platforms
- j** Allston I-90 updates, if any

**E.** G. Guimond moved to **adjourn** the meeting, a motion which B. Leicher seconded. The motion was approved without objection and the meeting adjourned at 2:53 PM.

Note: These minutes were approved by vote of the committee at its 3/19/25 meeting.

**Attendees:**

Committee Members:

Ashland	Rob Scherer
Belmont	Roy Epstein
Brockton	Alan Castaline
Canton	Chris Podgurski
Duxbury	Brian Glennon
Harvard	Bruce Leicher
Marblehead	Dan Albert
Marshfield	Greg Guimond
Maynard	Chester Osborne
Natick	Morgan Griffiths
Wellesley	Sheila Page

MBTA Advisory Board Staff:

Brian Kane	Executive Director
Hanna Switekowski	Deputy Director
Isabella MacKinnon	Budget & Policy Analyst