

# Southeast Corridor Commission Meeting Minutes November 14, 2019 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM EST

#### **Opening of Meeting**

Julie White opened the meeting at 3:00PM EST on November 14, 2019 with a welcome and introductions.

#### **Present**

Committee				
State	Commission Member /	<b>Technical Committee</b>	Others	
	Proxy	Member		
DC	Jefferey Bennett (proxy)	Not present	-	
Virginia	Jennifer Mitchell	Emily Stock	-	
North Carolina	Julie White (proxy)	Eddie McFalls	Jason Orthner	
South Carolina	Jim Feda (proxy)	Doug Frate	-	
Tennessee	Dan Pallme (proxy)	Amy Kasonovic	-	
Georgia	Meg Pirkle	Kaycee Mertz	Ashley Finch	
Florida	Rickey Fitzgerald (proxy)	Holly Cohen	-	

Non-Voting		
FRA	Lyle Leitelt and Will Dyer	
Consultants	Corey Hill (Kimley Horn), Marston Raue (Mott MacDonald)	

# Approval of Agenda

N/A

## **Approval of Minutes**

N/A

#### **Business from Previous Meeting**

N/A

## **New Business**

Jason Orthner discussed the history and development of the Southeast Corridor.

Marston Raue explained the Governance of the Southeast Corridor including the Commission's goals and Technical Committee's role of support.

Corey Hill went through the \$1M FRA Grant Statement of Work and the draft Commission Bylaws. There was a request for clarification of language in Section 3.1 Membership on who must appoint each Commission member. Under Section 3.2 Officers, an additional officer was requested to serve as the Secretary in conjunction with the Chair and Vice Chair. In Section 4.6 Voting, edits were requested to include that a majority is defined as of those present at the time in which the vote takes place.

Lyle Leitelt and Will Dyer of FRA provided an update on the Regional Rail Plan. A stakeholder webinar is anticipated in Winter 2020 and a meeting in the Spring of 2020. The Commission will be asked to provide input at those meetings and on the draft plan.

Each Technical Committee Members provided an update on their state initiatives.

Slides and materials associated with the presentations and discussions above are attached to this email.

Marston Raue discussed a quarterly standard meeting schedule and upcoming dates. The next Commission meeting will tentatively take place between February 18-21 in DC at the Council on Rail Transportation. NCDOT Rail Division staff is currently coordinating with AASHTO on the details. Subsequent meetings will occur in June, September, and December for 2020.

# **Additional Agenda Items**

N/A

## **Agenda for Next Meeting**

Agenda items for the next meeting were discussed. Currently it is anticipated that the Commission will vote on Officers and adopt the bylaws at the February meeting. If anyone has any additional agenda items to bring forward for the February meeting, please submit them to <a href="Marston.Raue@mottmac.com">Marston.Raue@mottmac.com</a>.

## Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:10 by Julie White.

Minutes prepared by: Marston Raue Minutes submitted by: Meg Pirkle Approved on: February 18, 2020

These minutes will be circulated to Commission nominees, proxies, Technical Committee members, and other attendees for comments. Any comments received ten days after distribution will be incorporated into a final version. Once Commission Officers are designated, the meeting minutes will be formally approved at the subsequent Commission meeting.