

Princeton Transit Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 12, 2017, 9 am
Monument Hall, Princeton, NJ

In Attendance:

Fay Reiter, Princeton Community Housing, Chairperson
Joan Lockwood-Reck - GMTMA
Don Mayer-Brown, Jack - Engineering
Dosier Hammond
Debbie Disher
Susan Hoskins, PSRC
Kip Cherry, Public

1. Minutes from the November meeting had just been emailed that morning and copies were not available, so approval was put off until the January meeting.
2. Joan Lockwood Reck gave a report on the Free B service numbers. The number of commuter rides decreased again, while the Neighborhood line saw an increase in ridership. Joan and Debbie Disher said that they had been handing out the new schedule and that people were excited. Debbie reported that the early loops will help Redding Circle especially, including many who work at the restaurants at the shopping center.
3. Public comment- Kip Cherry raised her concerns with the new schedule, which she had previously emailed to Engineering and other committee members. She proposed a change in the first evening Dinky pick up to move it earlier in the day. She also questioned a short loop that went to Elm Court and back. Joan responded to her concerns verbally and in a hand out, explaining how they had looked at her suggestions, however, Kip's suggestions would not work with the schedule.
Dosier pointed out that the current second evening loop had higher ridership than the first. and that four Tiger Transit lines can take people from the Dinky Station to Palmer Square, where they can then transfer to the Free B and Mercer County buses.
4. Debbie reported that so far no one from Copperwood had used the Hilltop stop.
5. Don Mayer-Brown reported that the new map and schedule were beginning to be distributed, and would be blown up to 11 X 17 and posted at bus shelters. Fay Reiter will work on a press release to publicize the changes. Susan Hoskins said notice would go into the January PSRC newsletter.
6. Don Mayer-Brown reported that the motorized lift for one of the buses is broken, and is currently being fixed. He also stated that the heat on the FreeB has been fixed and is now working well. Debbie who rides the FreeB regularly confirmed this.
7. Go Princeton- There were no representatives from the Go Princeton committee at the meeting, so the report was tabled for the next meeting. Tamera Matteo, a liaison to Go Princeton and the

Complete Streets Committee, is leaving the Committee on January 1, but Chris Ieva will continue to serve as a liaison to Go Princeton and Complete Streets. The Committee should have one more member serve on Complete Streets.

8. Don reported that the Transponder will integrate with the new schedule and was being sent over this week.

The new contract for the Free B has bids in in today, and the Council will award the contract on Monday the 18th.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday January 9th, 2018 at 9am.