

Transportation Advisory Committee (Thursday, January 16, 2025)

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Members present

Laura Carrington, William Hill, George Clark, Laschelle McKay, Leon Carrington, Rowena Bossio, Dr Glenn Orlin

Meeting called to order at 1:20 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Roll Call: A. Roll Call

3. OFFICER REPORTS

4. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion: A. Old business

5. NEW BUSINESS

Action: A. Vote to approve 2024 Annual Report

Motion to approve 2024 Annual Report

Motion by Dr Glenn Orlin, second by George Clark.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Laura Carrington, William Hill, George Clark, Laschelle McKay, Leon Carrington, Rowena Bossio, Dr Glenn Orlin, Melinda Lyon, Trace Hall

Discussion: B. Public comment from NAACP

NAACP gave discussion about barriers to driver's training in high schools. They conducted a survey in the 3 public high schools. PPT accompanied the discussion. Gen Z (11-26 years old) not eager to get behind the wheel and provided statistics.

NAACP asked TAC to place on their agenda to look into recommendations, grant funding, options, etc. to minimize the barriers.

Orlin - when did driver's training stop? Is it a school budget issue or local companies providing the service? Kids should be taught live skills which should include driver's ed, how to navigate the local transit system. Schools should pay the 'mom and pops' to provide the driver training. Could do a study. Possibly attend a PTA meeting. General advocacy for transportation education (not just drivers ed in schools).

Design a program (framework), grant proposal writing, bringing the parties together.

G. Clark - suggested tabling until next meeting to have discussions with parties then bring ideas back to the next quarterly under Old Business.

Action: C. TAC Officer Elections

Secretary - nothing

Vice Chair - Thomas Rogers until term end (June 2025)

Chair - Laura Carrington (until term end (June 2025))

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Information: A. April 17, 2025 @ 1:00pm

G. Clark - appointed by the governor for committee

A. Swint - think about future leadership.

7. ADJOURN

Action: A. Meeting Adjourned

I move to adjourn the meeting at 2:20.

Motion by Dr Glenn Orlin, second by George Clark.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Laura Carrington, William Hill, George Clark, Laschelle McKay, Leon Carrington, Rowena Bossio, Dr Glenn Orlin, Melinda Lyon, Trace Hall



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE: 16 January 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 1:00PM

Link to video: [1/16/25 Transportation Advisory Committee for St. Mary's County - YouTube](#)

2. ROLL CALL

A. Roll Call

– Roll is called

Members present: Chair Laura Carrington, Rowena Bossio, Leon Carrington, George Clark, William Hill, Melinda Lyon, Glenn Orlin, Laschelle McKay, Trace Hall

Support Staff

Allison Swint – Board Liaison – Present

Amy Carter – Video Producer- Present

Others present: Dr. Janice Walthour, St. Mary's County NAACP

3. OFFICER REPORTS

A. Chairman/Vice Chairman Report

Laura Carrington delivers Officer Report

B. Staff Report

Allison Swint delivers the Staff Report

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Finalization of the Annual Report

- George Clark and Allison Swint discuss CDL license program mentioned in the Annual Report
- Laura Carrington continues reading the Annual Report, and concludes it
- Glenn Orlin motions to approve the report, George Clark seconds the motion

B. Public Comment from NAACP

- Dr. Walthour begins her presentation on bringing affordable driver's education to St. Mary's County Public School; Discussion stems during the presentation, with input from George Clark, Glenn Orlin, Allison Swint, Melinda Lyon, and Laura Carrington
- Laura Carrington asks about microphones in the room; Allison Swint provides response
- Dr. Walthour continues with her presentation; discussion stems, with input on driving job opportunities, bus stops, and potential paths forward, George Clark, Glenn Orlin, and Laura Carrington
- Leon Carrington comments on audio quality in the room, there is a brief discussion addressing the matter; Laura Carrington approaches the podium to recap the presentation for the online attendees
- Laura Carrington proposes special meeting to continue the Affordable Driver's Ed discussion

C. Officer Elections

- Laura Carrington begins Officer Election proceedings; Thomas Rogers reelected as Vice Chair, Laura Carrington reelected as Chair

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Next Meeting – April 17, 2025 @1PM, Commissioner’s Gallery, Chesapeake Building

- Laura Carrington announces next TAC meeting
- George Clark announces he has been appointed by the Governor to the Maryland Commission on Transportation Revenue and Infrastructure Needs
- Allison Swint reminds the Committee of upcoming term limits for TAC leadership; discussion extends from the announcement, with input from George Clark, Leon Carrington, Allison Swint, Glenn Orlin, and Laschelle McKay

7. ADJOURN

- Glenn Orlin moves to adjourn the meeting; George Clark seconds
- The meeting is adjourned