

# **2018 NEORide Report of COG Activities**

### Members

NEORide was formed on November 19, 2014. At December 31, 2018, NEORide had the following voting members and their approval dates of membership by the NEORide Board.

- METRO RTA (Founding Member)
- PARTA (Founding Member)
- SARTA (Founding Member)
- Laketran Approved April 27, 2017
- Medina County Public Transit Approved July 9, 2018
- TARTA Approved September 14, 2018
- WRTA Approved September 14, 2018

### Officers of the Governing Board

Chair: Claudia Amrhein, General Manager, PARTA

Vice Chair: Kirt Conrad, Executive Director, SARTA

Secretary/Treasurer: Ben Capelle, Executive Director, Laketran

#### **Contract Vendors**

Fiscal Agent: Ohio Transit Risk Pool – Barbara J. Rhoades, CEO (By-laws approved 11-19-2014)

**Corporate Counsel:** Roetzel & Andress – Justin Markey, Esq. (Approved by the Governing Board 11-19-14)

#### Meetings

NEORide hosted 5 meetings of the Governing Board and 1 Working Meeting.

NEORide attended the OPTA Annual Conference in Columbus and hosted a booth for informational and marketing purposes.

## **Financials – Fiscal Audit**

Budget & Dues were adopted by the NEORide Governing Board on 02/28/2018 with \$2,500 as regular dues for 2018 and \$500 fee for procurement for non-members.

Unaudited Fiscal Audit Report for FYE 12/31/2017 was approved by the Governing Board and filed with the State of Ohio though Hinkle on 02/28/2018.

Last review by the State Auditor's office was completed October 2017 for fye 2015 and 2016.

# **Basic Cash Basis Financial Statement Fiscal Year 2018**

Beginning Cash Balance: \$17,256.27 Income from Dues: \$17,500 Other Income: \$0 Receivables: \$2,500 Operational Expense: (\$4,273.99) Contract/Legal: (\$5,929) Final Cash Balance: \$24,206.47

# **Governing Board Policies in effect during 2018**

11-19-2014 Acceptance of Bylaws of NEORide Regional Counsel of Governments

11-19-2014 Acknowledgement of Exhibit A to the By-laws and adherence to ORC 121.22

Board Policy - Resolution #1 2016-01 - Limits Guest Communications to five minutes.

Board Policy - Resolution #2 2018-02 - A resolution authorizing the use of public funds for meals and refreshments for proper public purpose.

# Projects in process/completed during 2018

Mobile Ticketing, Group Procurement, Route Alignment, Brokering, Free Fare Fridays, NEORide Website Re-Do

# Grants and Grants Awarded during 2018

A motion was accepted to file a joint application for OTP3 funds on July 9, 2018 for MDT's. Laketran, PARTA, SARTA and WRTA all participated in the grant application. A full award of \$817,841 (with 20% match) was announced in November 2018. Funds will be distributed directly to the individual members.

This report is submitted to the Board of Trustees on January 6, 2019 by the Fiscal Agent, Ohio Transit Risk Pool