

**DRAFT MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OPEN MOBILITY FOUNDATION
ZOOM MEETING, MARCH 9, 2021**



Presentation slides:

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Agenda:

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The meeting was called to order shortly after 12:00pm ET, pursuant to due notice provided to directors.

I. Roll Call

Present / proxy	Member	City
John Clary (joined at 12:25)	Rob Spillar	Austin
x	Seleta Reynolds	Los Angeles
x	Jeff O'Brien	Louisville
x	Carlos Cruz-Casas	Miami Dade County
x	Danielle Elkins	Minneapolis
Jonathan Internicola	Ryan Wanttaja	NYC TLC
Jacob Sherman	Chris Warner	Portland
x (and Akshay Malik)	Michael Carroll	Philadelphia
x	Ramses Madou	San Jose
Trevor Thomas	Francie Stefan	Santa Monica
Kelly Rula	Karen Melanson	Seattle
x	Tom Maguire	San Francisco
Dan Emerine	Everett Lott	Washington, DC

A quorum was present.

II. Minutes

MOTION: On motion duly seconded, the Board approved the minutes of the 12/08/2020 and 01/27/2021 board meetings.

III. Organizational Update

The Executive Director provided general organization updates to the Board:

- New members (City of Omaha Parking and Mobility and City of Denver)
- Working group and committee updates

The Member Engagement Manager provided an update on member engagement work over since the last meeting. The Board Chair provided an update on the resolution of the lawsuit against LADOT.

Board Members discussed:

- Timeline for work on GDPR and MDS
- The positive outcome in the lawsuit against LADOT and the potential for local pre-emption in other jurisdictions.

IV. Architectural Landscape

The Executive Director shared an update on revisions to the Architectural Landscape, including an update on timeline, the purpose of the document, and significant changes proposed in the most recent revision. There was light discussion about the role of autonomous vehicles and car share in the landscape document, but the Board requested a separate meeting to review and discuss revisions. It was agreed that this meeting would be scheduled and a vote taken at a future meeting.

V. MDS 1.1.0 Update

The Director of Open Source Operations provided a detailed update on MDS 1.1.0, significant changes planned for the release, and the new logo scheme for MDS. He also reviewed Board recommended changes arising out of the previous review meeting, with a focus on data redaction and k-anonymity. The Board discussed their perspective on how OMF should approach public discussion of data redaction, and discussed ways to prevent our good faith attempts to educate MDS users on data redaction from being weaponized by MDS opponents.

A vote schedule was reviewed with a plan to conduct a digital ballot to approve the release.

VI. Financial Update

The Executive Director provided the Board with an update on January financials, activity related to new member recruiting, and research into other financial sustainability strategies. The Executive Director reviewed two proposed bylaws changes:

1. To establish a system of voluntary membership dues for public sector members. Bylaw amendment would be followed by a process for establishing recommended voluntary dues amounts.
2. Removing the distinction between core and non-core funds. This fund segregation, originally established as a conflict of interest protection, creates a problematic financial constraint on the OMF's operations and may be redundant to other conflict protections built into the design of the organization.

The Board discussed both proposals at length. Some topics discussed:

- The value of cities have "skin in the game" with the OMF
- The importance of keeping the public sector dues truly voluntary to create predictability for current and future members
- The need to provide clarity on what public sector dues would support and the possibility of linking them to specific projects
- The importance of adopting a recommended dues schedule that accurately reflects capacity of cities to pay at that level

The Board was generally supportive of both proposals, and it was agreed that we would move forward to amend the bylaws following the official process.

VII. Evolution of MDS

The Executive Director provided a summary of feedback received by OMF staff about the direction of MDS and some of the challenges and questions identified by people within the MDS community. A plan to survey MDS users and to make adjustments to our development process was presented. The Board Chair suggested that this topic be raised for discussion in the Strategy Committee and Technology Council.

VIII. Emerging Modes

With limited time remaining in the meeting, the Executive Director presented on the challenge posed by emerging modes of transportation, and the question of how the OMF should best engage with these modes and with our members who are beginning to do independent work to extend MDS into new areas.

XI. Future Meetings

The Executive Director reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule.

The board meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:00pm ET.