



CRIS Rural Mass Transit District

Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Date: January 28, 2026 Time: 12:00 Noon

Location: 615 East Voorhees Street, Danville, IL 61832

Topic:	Discussion:	Outcomes:
Call to order:	On Wednesday, January 28, 2026, Chairman Gulick called the CRIS Governing Board Meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.	Meeting called to order at 12:05pm.
Roll Call:	Roll call was announced by Chairman Gulick, Odette Hyatt-Watson recorded the attendance and meeting minutes- the following were in attendance: Frank Young, Scott Preston, Steve Gulick, David Wright, and Odette Hyatt-Watson. Others Present: Carol Timms, Interim Director via phone.	With five (5) Board Members in attendance, quorum was attained.
Public Comments:	None.	
Approval of Agenda: 1/28/2026	Chairman Gulick called for a motion to Approve the Agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Frank Young and seconded by Scott Preston. The motion carried.	The motion carried.
Action Item #1: CLA Contract and Give CLA Access to ECOLANE and BlackCat Systems	Chairman Gulick announced Action Item #1. The Contracts for ADP Payroll and Client Accounting and Advisory Services Statement of Work was presented to the Board for review and approval. Chairman Gulick mentioned that this was the means of correctly addressing the processing of fiscal work that was backlogged. We need to get the fiscal process moving in the right direction and CLA will be a good help. OHWatson stated that a copy of the contract was given to David Shaffer for consideration; Mr. Shaffer stated that he would review the document. Following the Board’s discussion, a motion to approve the CLA ADP Payroll and Client Accounting and Advisory Services- Statement of Work contracts was made by Frank Young and second by Scott Preston. The motion carried.	The motion carried. Chairman Gulick signed the contract on behalf of the CRIS Board.
Action Item #2: Accept IDOT assistance to assign additional personnel to assist with processing invoices.	Chairman Gulick mentioned that IDOT in the past has provided assistance via personnel who provided some guidance on the processing of invoices. This will help to address the fiscal backlog. A motion to Accept IDOT assistance in assigning additional personnel for processing invoices on behalf of CRIS was made by Scott Preston and second by David Wright. The motion carried.	The motion carried.
Closed Session:	Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2©(1) of the Illinois Open Meeting Act, a motion was made by Frank Young and second by Scott Preston to enter into a closed session	The motion to enter closed session carried,



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	<p>at 12:18 p.m . The close session will allow the Board to discuss employment and compensation issues. Roll Call Vote of 5 affirmed entering into closed session. Carol Timms call was disconnected. A motion was made by Frank Young and second by Scott Preston to end the closed session. The motion carried.</p>	<p>The CRIS Board entered into close session at 12:18pm.</p> <p>The motion to end the closed session at 12:24 pm. carried.</p>
<p>Returned to Open Session.</p> <p>Resignations:</p>	<p>At 12: 24 p.m. the Board returned to open session.</p> <p>A motion was made by Frank Young and second by Scott Preston to conduct the following:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">-Accept the resignation of Melissa Walters and Madison Davis on 1/28/2026. Written correspondence will be texted and mailed to each with a request to return any CRIS equipment/supplies/door keys in their possession to Chairman Gulick. Chairman Gulick will send a text requesting the return of CRIS property and Member OHWatson will mail an official letter on behalf of the Cris Board with a request to return any property to Chairman Gulick by February 1, 2026. The motion carried.</p>	<p>The motion carried.</p>
<p>Interim Director’s Salary:</p>	<p>A motion was made by Frank Young and second by Scott Preston to consult with Iroquois Federal Bank regarding the Interim Director’s hourly pay increase request. The Board understands that the decision to increase the interim director’s salary is a bank decision due to CRIS’s current lack of cash flow. The motion carried.</p>	<p>The motion carried.</p>
<p>Old Business: Discussion and Vote to approve Articles of Dissolution</p>	<p>The CRIS Board will table the discussion and vote to approve the Articles of Dissolution <i>after</i> the fiscal backlogs are addressed to ensure all help is rendered to ensure community partners reimbursements and fiscal backlog is accurately resolved.</p>	<p>This item was tabled.</p>
<p>New Business:</p>	<p>A motion was made by Frank Young and second by Scott Preston to give Mr. Adnan Abdelghani, President and CEO of Danville Technology Services permission to connect CLA to the Ecolane and Blackcat systems. The motion carried.</p>	<p>The motion carried. OHWatson prepares a letter citing permission statement.</p>
<p>Adjourned:</p>	<p>A motion was made by Frank Young and Scott Preston to adjourned the meeting at 12:49 p.m.</p>	<p>The motion carried.</p>