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**Mansfield Board of Education  
Transportation Committee Meeting  
March 8, 2023  
APPROVED Minutes**

<b>Attendees:</b>	Edith Allison, Chair, Jeannette Picard, Kathy Ward, Peter Dart, Superintendent, Candace Morell, Director of Teaching & Learning
<b>Absent:</b>	Martha Kelly

The meeting was called to order at 4:37pm by Ms. Allison.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Ms. Picard, seconded by Ms. Allison to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2022, meeting. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**TRANSPORTATION UPDATES:** Superintendent Dart and Candace Morell provided the committee with an update on the current transportation status. Mrs. Morell reported a high degree of consistency and mostly on-time buses. Parent satisfaction is much higher in part due to the introduction of the MyView Zonar Bus app. Nearly 400 families are using it and it will be used next year.

Mrs. Morell is working with M&J on the transition of bus routes from two campuses to a single campus model starting in April. All routes have been test driven and most came under the route time maximum; any that did not will be adjusted to improve the ride time and re-tested. Communications to families and publication of the new routes will occur on or about March 20<sup>th</sup>.

The first incentive period ended on December 31<sup>st</sup>; twelve drivers received incentives totaling \$10,500 (which was funded by credits received from M&J) and several new hires received bonuses.

There has been an increase of overtime largely due to preparations of opening the new school.

Introducing cluster stops was discussed; they are energy efficient, safer and reduce ride times. Drivers and families will be asked for input about cluster stops before the end of the year.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Picard, seconded by Ms. Allison.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 5:26pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeannette Picard, Board committee member