

**R-COG COAAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
111 LIBERTY STREET, SUITE 100  
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215**

**Tuesday, December 2, 2025**

**Time: Immediately After Special Council Meeting Concludes**

**REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Topic: Consideration of Resolutions to allow the COAAA to begin business operations on January 1, 2026.

Facilitator: William Murdock

**1. Call to Order**

*Mr. Murdock called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.*

**2. Roll Call**

*Mr. Flis conducted roll call. The following Directors were in attendance: Mr. Murdock, Ms. Baughn, Mr. Clark, Mr. Edelblute, Mr. Horrocks, Ms. Owens, Ms. Tobin, Mr. Umstot, Ms. Wanosik, Ms. Waugh. A quorum was achieved.*

*The following members of the public were also in attendance: Melissa Gualtieri, Tameko Gaines, Yolanda Lewis, Carrie Oswald, Phil Rollins, Grant Ames, John Flis, Bricker Graydon, Tamara James, Katie White, Melissa McMillan, Erica Drewry, Brenda Lynne, Aundrea Cordle, Joe Garrity, and Amy Harr.*

**3. Adoption of the December 2, 2025 Special Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

*Mr. Murdock asks for corrections or discussion. There were none, and the minutes were adopted.*

**4. Welcome Remarks by Chair**

*Mr. Murdock provides introductory remarks.*

**5. Acknowledgement of COAAA Regional Taskforce**

- **Thank you to Co-Chairs Commissioner Jeff Benton and Fran Ryan**

*Mr. Murdock recognized the contributions of the COAAA Regional Taskforce to get the Regional Council of Governments for COAAA established. Fran Ryan, Taskforce Co-chair, gave remarks on the importance of regionalizing COAAA to the older adults and people with disabilities in Central Ohio.*

#### **6. Update on Transition by Interim Executive Director Tamara James**

*Interim Director Tamara James provided an overview of COAAA R-COG transition and operations since the last Board of Directors meeting in October, including:*

- *Staffing updates*
- *Onboarding/HR and Payroll Platforms*
- *Benefits Enrollment*
- *Contracting with Managed Care Organizations*
- *Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Columbus*

#### **7. Update on Regional Council of Governments by Incoming Executive Director Katie White**

*Executive Director Katie White provided an overview of 2026 operational plans for the COAAA including:*

- *NCQA accreditation and HITRUST R2 Certification*
- *HR, Payroll, banking, purchasing, building operations*
- *CareDirector USA*
- *R-COG COAAA Organization Chart*

#### **8. Consent Agenda**

*Executive Director White provided an overview of the items listed on the Consent Agenda for consideration, including acceptance of typical funding awards from the Department of Aging and Department of Medicaid, annual service provision contracts, building operations and maintenance. Mr. Murdock asked if any member of the Board of Directors wished to remove a Resolution from the Consent Agenda. Seeing none, Mr. Murdock read the Resolution numbers into the record. No comments or questions were raised. Ms. Tobin motions to adopt the Resolutions listed on the Consent Agenda. Ms. Waugh seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 10-0-0 to approve all Resolutions included in the Consent Agenda.*

- **Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B17 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COAAA TO ACCEPT GRANT AND OTHER TYPES OF FUNDS, INCLUDING INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER FUNDS, FROM THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO TO ASSIST WITH COSTS RELATED TO THE OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF COAAA.”**
- **Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B18 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COAAA TO ACCEPT GRANT AND OTHER TYPES OF FUNDS FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF**

AGING (AGE) FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III, SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES STATE BLOCK GRANT, ALZHEIMER'S RESPITE, AND THE PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING SYSTEM PROVIDING OPTIONS AND RESOURCES TODAY (PASSPORT) HOMECARE AND ASSISTED LIVING SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS IN CENTRAL OHIO."

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B19 – "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COAAA TO ACCEPT GRANT AND OTHER TYPES OF FUNDS FROM THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGING (AGE) FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR PATIENTS AND PROVIDERS (MIPPA) AND HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP) INFORMATION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR OLDER ADULTS IN CENTRAL OHIO."
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B27 – "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH EASTERSEALS CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST OHIO FOR THE PROVISION OF OMBUDSMAN SERVICES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026."
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B28 – "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE US DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 IN CONNECTION WITH THE VETERANS DIRECTED CARE PROGRAM."
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B29 – "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH ACUMEN FISCAL AGENT, LLC FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 IN CONNECTION WITH THE VETERANS DIRECTED CARE PROGRAM."
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B30 – "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH DIRECTION HOME, LLC FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO'S CARE TRANSITIONS PROGRAM."
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B31 – "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAID (ODM) FOR THE PROVISION OF CARE COORDINATION SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE OHIO HOME CARE WAIVER."
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B32 – "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNCIL ON AGING OF SOUTHWESTERN OHIO, INC. FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 IN CONNECTION WITH THE HUMANA, LLC POSITIVE CHOICES PROGRAM."

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B33 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COAAA TO ACCEPT GRANT AND OTHER TYPES OF FUNDS FROM THE OHIO TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICE (OTSO) FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE STATEWIDE CARFIT PROGRAM.”
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B35 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH ENVIROMENTAL CONTROL OF SOUTHWEST OHIO FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 FOR THE PROVISION OF JANITORIAL SERVICES AT COAAA’S HEADQUARTERS.”
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B36 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AGREEMENTS WITH ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY INTERPRETATION AND US TOGETHER FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 FOR THE PROVISION OF INTERPRETATION SERVICES.”
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B38 – “A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2025-B12 AUTHORIZED BY RESOLUTION NO. EC2025-03”
- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B39 – “A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND RECOMMENDING APPROVAL BY THE COUNCIL OF THE ESTIMATED 2026 APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 FOR COAAA.”

#### 9. **New Business**

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B20 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III PROVIDER SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Mr. Edelblute motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B20. Mr. Clark seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 10-0-0.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B21 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF ALZHEIMER’S RESPITE PROVIDER SERVICE AGREEMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Mr. Clark motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B21. Ms. Tobin seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 10-0-0.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B22 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III PROVIDER SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MEALS ON WHEELS – OLDER ADULT ALTERNATIVES OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY INC. FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Ms. Waugh motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B22. Mr. Edelblute seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 8-0-2. Mr. Clark and Ms. Tobin abstaining.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B23 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III AND ALZHEIMER’S RESPITE PROVIDER SERVICE AGREEMENTS WITH COMMUNITY ACTION COMMISSION OF FAYETTE COUNTY FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Ms. Owens motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B23. Mr. Horrocks seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 9-0-1. Ms. Baughn abstaining.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B24 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III AND ALZHEIMER’S RESPITE PROVIDER SERVICE AGREEMENTS WITH LICKING COUNTY AGING PROGRAM INC. FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Ms. Wanosik motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B24. Ms. Tobin seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 8-0-2. Ms. Owens and Mr. Edelblute abstaining.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B25 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III PROVIDER SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH SOURCEPOINT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Ms. Tobin motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B25. Ms. Wanosik seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 8-0-2. Ms. Waugh and Mr. Horrocks abstaining.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B26 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III AND ALZHEIMER’S RESPITE PROVIDER SERVICE AGREEMENTS WITH THE UNION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DBA UNION COUNTY SENIOR SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Mr. Horrocks motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B26. Ms. Waugh seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 10-0-0.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B34 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION, EXECUTION, AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FRANKLIN COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 FOR THE PROVISION OF CARE COORDINATION SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY SENIOR OPTIONS LEVY PROGRAM.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Mr. Horrocks motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B34. Mr. Clark seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 10-0-0.*

- Proposed Resolution No. 2025-B37 – “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COAAA TO ACCEPT GRANT AND OTHER TYPES OF FUNDS FROM DELAWARE SOURCEPOINT, FAIRFIELD COUNTY MEALS ON WHEELS: OLDER ADULT ALTERNATIVES, THE ALCOHOL, DRUG, AND MENTAL HEALTH BOARD OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, PICKAWAY COUNTY PROBATE COURT, AND THE FRANKLIN COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING IN CONNECTION WITH THE VOLUNTEER GUARDIAN PROGRAM.”

*Mr. Murdock read the Resolution into the record. Staff provided an explanation of the Resolution. No comments or questions were raised. Ms. Owens motions to adopt Resolution 2025-B37. Ms. Waugh seconds the motion. A vote was taken, and the results were 10-0-0.*

#### **10. Other Business**

*No other business was discussed.*

#### **11. Adjournment of Board of Directors Meeting**

*The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.*