

**NVTC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MEETING SUMMARY  
NVTC Suite #230 Conference Room  
2300 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia  
February 2, 2023**

**NVTC Executive Committee Members Present:**

Dalia Palchik, Chair  
Walter Alcorn  
Sarah Bagley  
Matt de Ferranti  
Matt Letourneau (non-voting member)  
Paul Smedberg (non-voting member)  
Dave Snyder

**NVTC Executive Committee Members Absent:**

Canek Aguirre  
Adam Ebbin (*Senator Ebbin absent during General Assembly Session*)

**Other NVTC Commissioners Present:**

Jennifer DeBruhl (*via electronic participation*)

**Staff and Others Present:**

Kate Mattice, Executive Director  
Monique Blyther  
Genoveva Cutrell  
Allan Fye  
Scott Kalkwarf  
Steve MacIsaac  
Aimee Perron Seibert (*via electronic participation*)  
Kirk Dand – Arlington County

Chair Palchik called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. She noted that Ms. DeBruhl is participating electronically from Richmond under the provision of a Commissioner living 60 or more miles away from the meeting location. Ms. Mattice confirmed an in-person quorum was present.

Chair Palchik noted that the summary of the January 5, 2022 Executive Committee meeting was provided and there were no corrections from committee members.

Ms. Mattice previewed the Agenda for the February 2, 2023 NVTC Commission meeting, which follows this committee meeting. Ms. Mattice reminded the committee the Mayor Catherine Read from the City of Fairfax will be joining as a new Commissioner. Mayor Read will also serve on the Legislative and Policy Committee. The consent agenda includes applications to DRPT for state aid for jurisdictions' local transit services, VRE, state match for NVTC's Route 7 BRT earmark, and

funding for NVTC's transit fellow program. The consent agenda also includes awarding a contract to Cambridge Systematics for the Northern Virginia Regional Bus Analysis work and approving a letter to USDOT endorsing Arlington's application for the RIASE grant program for trails to connect with the Arlington Cemetery Metro Station.

Ms. Mattice stated that during this evening's Commission meeting, staff will give an update on bills that NVTC is tracking in the General Assembly. There will also be reports from the WMATA Board members and the chair of the WMATA Committee.

Mr. Snyder arrived at 6:18 p.m.

Ms. Perron Seibert provided the committee with a General Assembly update. As of this evening, the WMATA and VRE bills are moving forward and will crossover. The Transportation Partnership Opportunity Fund bills have been changed so that the funds are no longer taken off the top of the Commonwealth Transportation Fund. NVTC is also tracking a bill that would make assault and battery of a public transportation service vehicle operator a Class 1 misdemeanor, which would include a mandatory two days in jail. Mr. Snyder stated that he supports this bill. Ms. Debruhl added that she appreciates NVTC's partnership and hard work during this legislative session. Ms. Mattice also observed that there are not a lot of bills this Session that threaten transit.

Mr. Letourneau arrived at 6:25 p.m.

Chair Palchik then mentioned that this evening's Commission meeting will start with a moment of silence in honor of Metro employee Robert Cunningham who was killed on Wednesday while on duty. She also shared that NVTC staff will prepare a letter to the family sharing the Commission's condolences.

Mr. Letourneau left the room at 6:46 p.m.

Ms. Mattice then shared with the committee that preliminary work has begun on planning NVTC's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. While they are in the very early planning stages, NVTC staff are targeting dates in the fall of 2024. Monique Blyther, the marketing and engagement manager, shared some slides with the committee showcasing ideas for the celebration. These ideas include holding a symposium followed by a more formal dinner reception as well as a movie premier style format which would include a documentary style short film on the history of NVTC followed by a reception. The committee provided feedback and expressed their excitement about these ideas and encouraged staff to continue planning the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.

Chair Palchik adjourned the meeting at 6:56 p.m.