

TOPEKA METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Board of Directors Meeting – Agenda Item

ITEM	Operations Department Monthly Report (for March 2024)				
CONTACT	Denise Ensley, Chief Operations Officer NDATION Accept report as presented.				
RECOMMENDATION					
SUMMARY	Three fire events were reported at Quincy Street Station. On March 6 th , it appeared as if a homeless individual set fire to the grass near the West 17 th staging area overnight. On March 18 th , a fire was accidentally started by a passenger discarding a cigarette near the North Kansas staging area. Later that same day, smoke was discovered in the lobby woman's restroom (cause unknown). There were no injuries or structural damage involved with any of these incidents.				
	Two bus shelters were vandalized. On March 20 th , one glass panel was broken in the shelter at 10 th & Parkview. Then on March 31 st , one glass panel was broken in the 37 th & Landon Trail shelter.				
	National Bus Driver Appreciation Day was March 18 th . We showed appreciation to our Topeka Metro bus operators by providing them with individual sack lunches.				
	Human Resources and Operations continue to interview applicants for CSS and full- and part-time bus operator positions.				
FISCAL IMPACT (Current and Future)					
PRIORITY/GOAL	Continue to work on hiring additional personnel. Monitor bi-weekly operator overtime and pad time.				
ATTACHMENTS	Operations Reports.				

Topeka Metro Operations Report

March 2024

March	Operating	Days:
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Normal operating days 26 5 Sundays (no service) 0 Holiday with no service Limited holiday service 0 31 Total days in March

Passenger Comments:

17	Fixed Route	0	Capitol City Transportation	16	Complaints
2	Lift	19	Topeka Metro	3	Compliments
19	Total Comments	19	Total Comments	0	Incidents
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Comment Issues:

Operator (7)

Other/General (6)

Unsafe Driving (3)

Passed By (3) - zero valid

Operations Accidents & Incidents (as of March 31st, 2024):

	Month of		
	March	2024	FY 2024
TMTA Chargeable accidents	1	3	11
TMTA Non-chargeable accidents	0	3	7
Contractor accidents	0	0	1
Passenger incidents	31	102	256
	32	108	275

Current Self-Insurance Files:

Open files against Topeka Metro 13

56 Open files against others

24 Other

93 **Total open files**

March Promotions and Events

Washburn Students (3/1 thru 3/31):

2,507 fixed route trips

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า	Pass Ridership	(3/1 thru 3/31):	383 fixed route trips
	2013	945	
	2014	3,876	
	2015	6,058	
	2016	7,511	
	2017	8,115	
	2018	8,879	
	2019	8,951	
	2020	1,623 (until free fares due to COVID-19 in Mar	rch 2020)
	2021	3,849 (fares/program resumed 2/1/21)	
	2022	4,114	
	2023	4,326	
	2024	893	

Other Operational and Promotional Activities:

Provided Employees with Information for Severe Weather Awareness Week (3/4 thru 3/8)

Monthly Operator Policy Meeting (3/5)

Participated in the Statewide Tornado Drill (3/6)

Began Weekly Staff Paratransit Eligibility Determination Training (3/7)

Bi-monthly Advisory Committee on Accessible Transportation Services (ACATS) Meeting (3/13)

April Operator Choose-up Posted (3/14)

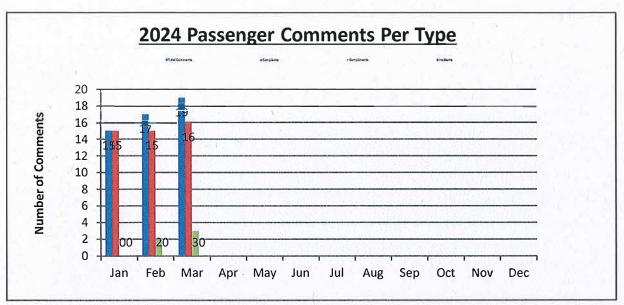
National Transit Driver Appreciation Day (3/18) - provided lunch for the bus operators on 3/19

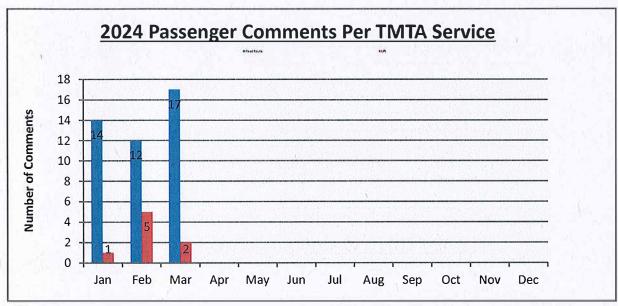
April Operator Choose-up Completed (3/21)

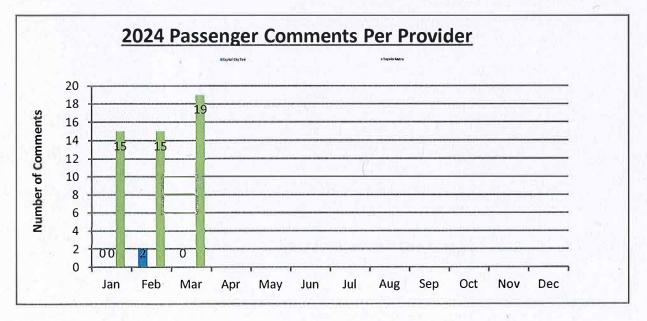
Bus Technology Update Memo Posted by General Manager for Employees (3/26)

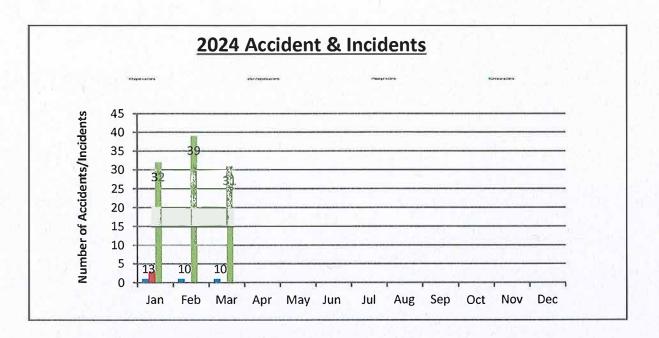
Final April Operator Roster Posted (3/29)

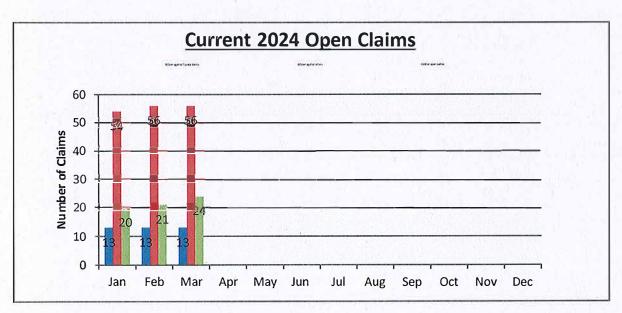
"Top City Promise" Ukrainian Partnership Ended (3/31)











Lift Service Application Statistics

	Eligible	Recertified	Temporary	<u>Denied</u>	TOTAL	Appeals	(Appeals app)	(Appeals den)
Jan 2024	15	8	6	0	29	1	0	0
Feb 2024	13	12	0	0	25	1	1	1
Mar 2024	4	4	4	1	13	0	0	0
Apr 2024					0			
May 2024					0			
Jun 2024					0			
Jul 2024					0			
Aug 2024					0			
Sep 2024					0	0.33		
Oct 2024					0			
Nov 2024					0			
Dec 2024					0			
Year 2024 Total	32	24	10	1	67	2	1	1