

# **TRAVEL REPORT**

## **DIRECTOR ANTHONY SILVA**

August 6, 2025

Board of Directors Meeting

Transit Board Members & Board Administrators Seminar.

Kansas City, MO.

I attended the following sessions.

1. Building and Maintaining Support for Transit Investment.
2. Zero Fare Transit - The Kansas City Experience.
3. Local and Regional Funding Models that work.
4. Ensuring Public and Employee Safety and Security.
5. Preparing for Large and Mega events in your region: Setting up for success.
6. Board Governance Workshop part 1: Transformative Governance in action: Succeeding in an ever evolving political and cultural landscape.
7. Part 2: Board craft: Evolving expectations around governance.
8. Governance Panel: Ensuring sound Board CEO relations:

The Board-CEO relationship is fundamental to the good governance of a transit agency. What does it take to build and maintain a positive, productive and enduring board-CEO partnership. How are the roles best delineated, where are the potential pitfalls and where are the opportunities for maximizing an effective relationship.

9. The changing landscape of transit procurements.
10. A view from Washington: the track ahead for Federal Funding:

What is the current political climate and outlook for federal support for transit and how do we ensure the next reauthorization of federal surface transportation funding meets transit industry expectations? Review key legislative priorities for the industry, how APTA engages on the Hill and the role of transit board members as an instrumental voice.