

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2012

The Board of Directors of the San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) held its regular meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, **IN THE BOARDROOM OF RTD'S DOWNTOWN TRANSIT CENTER, 421 E. WEBER AVENUE, STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER Chair Fong called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE/REFLECTION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
4. ROLL CALL Present: Duane Isetti Absent: Michael P. Restuccia
Les J. Fong
Gary S. Giovanetti
Joni Bauer

Staff Present

Donna DeMartino, General Manager/CEO
Laurrie Brown, Director of Operations
Thomas Webb, Director of Human Resources
Pam Forbus, Legal Counsel
Shelly Valenton, Executive and Board Support Manager
Ericka Rocha, Senior Administrative Assistant
Lorena Herrera, Administrative Assistant
Nate Knodt, Service Development Manager
Paul Rapp, Marketing and Communications Manager
maris Galvan, Planning Senior Specialist
Virginia Alcayde, Finance Manager
Ashish John, Mobility Manager
Sharon Miller, Procurement Manager - Contracts
Sandra Crivello, Mobility Analyst
Mark Fairbanks, Operations Superintendent
Coach Operator, Carol Welch
Coach Operator, Larry Dunkley
Accountant I, Helen Susic
Mechanic B, Armando Piña

Employees and Members of the Public Who Indicated They Were Present

Paula Stamper	Tu Can Nguyen	Deborah Gurley
Vickie Kelley	Sean Riley	Jeremiah Stanley
Jesse Lopez	David Arnold	Alan Wagner
Cheryl Ross		

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

A. EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Special recognition was given to Coach Operator Carol Welch, Transportation Employee of the Month for November; Coach Operator Larry Dunkley, Transportation Employee of the Month for January; Mechanic B Armando Pina, Maintenance Employee of the Month for January; and Accountant I Helen Sisic, Administration Employee of the Month for January.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Paula Stamper commented that MV does not provide coach operators affordable medical benefits. She suggested that county services go out to bid again.

Tu Can Nguyen spoke about organized crime and requested that passenger complaints be taken seriously.

Deborah Gurley thanked the General Manager/CEO for the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) III Hammer Lane Corridor. She expressed concerns about passengers cursing on the bus and requested more police officer presence.

Vickie Kelley expressed concern about the 1099-R forms that retired operators' received for their medical benefits. She commented on the service decline.

Sean Riley requested improved transfer times for Route 23 and extended night service for Routes 90 and 93.

Jeremiah Stanley requested that Routes 55 and 710 operate on half hour frequency on the weekend. He commented that coach operators' performance is outstanding.

Jesse Lopez commended Route 52 and noted that coach operators do not allow food on the bus.

David Arnold requested that copies of the Discount Fare Card and Medicare Card be placed on fareboxes, that the Route 51 stop on California and Fremont be removed, and that Route 710 stop at the flea market operate on a half-hour frequency.

Alan Wagner commented on service decline, BRT service, and on MV labor negotiations.

Cheryl Ross noted that RTD operators who now work for MV received a reduction in pay and loss in benefits.

7. REPORTS

A. GENERAL MANAGER/CEO REPORT

The General Manager/CEO provided the following comments:

- There has been a decrease in passenger comments even though RTD recently implemented fare changes.
- RTD appreciated the participation of Chair Fong and Director Isetti in the Urban Land Institute study. This study is a good blueprint for moving forward with Downtown Stockton's revitalization.
- The State of California was successful in selling bonds. San Joaquin County was one of the largest recipients, receiving 11.5 million dollars towards capital projects.

B. STATE/FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT

The General Manager/CEO provided the following information:

- Both the House and the Senate have new transportation bill proposals. The House proposal includes language that eliminates the dedicated transit funding that has been in place for thirty years. The president's proposal is similar for future transportation funding and recommends discretionary funding.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. RESOLUTION: MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 17, 2012 REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Resolution No. 5367: Board approval of the January 17, 2012 Regular Board of Directors Meeting minutes
- B. RESOLUTION: UPDATE THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION PLAN (SJCCTP)
Resolution No. 5368: Board approval of the updates to the SJCCTP
- C. RESOLUTION: AMEND EXHIBIT "A" (DESIGNATED POSITIONS) TO THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE
Resolution No. 5369: Board approval to amend Exhibit "A" the Conflict of Interest Code

ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR ISETTI SECOND: DIRECTOR GIOVANETTI
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Isetti, Fong, Bauer
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Restuccia

9. ACTION ITEMS

- A. RESOLUTION: AWARD A CONTRACT TO LOOMIS
Resolution No. 5370: Board approval to award a contract to Loomis for Cash Management and Fare Collection Services

Director Isetti noted that he supports this contract because there is a safety concern when employees handle cash management. He noted that outsourcing this service will allow police officers to perform other more important duties.

ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR ISETTI SECOND: DIRECTOR BAUER
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Isetti, Fong, Bauer
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Restuccia

- B. RESOLUTION: AWARD A CONTRACT TO DIEDE CONSTRUCTION, INC.
Resolution No. 5371: Board approval to award a contract to Diede Construction, Inc. for the construction of the BRT III Hammer Lane Corridor Improvements

Director Isetti he appreciates awarding contracts that employ San Joaquin County residents. Chair Fong agrees that this is beneficial to the County.

ACTION: MOTION: DIRECTOR ISETTI SECOND: DIRECTOR GIOVANETTI
Roll Call:
AYES: Giovanetti, Isetti, Fong, Bauer
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Restuccia

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. RTD STANDING BOARD COMMITTEE AND RETIREMENT BOARD ASSIGNMENTS
Chair Fong proposed to maintain the current RTD Board of Directors Standing Board Committees and Retirement Board Assignments. Following a review of the Board Assignments, the Board of Directors had no questions or comments regarding the assignments and acknowledged their concurrence in the appointments.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. RTD PASSENGER SURVEY
Marketing and Communications Manager Paul Rapp provided a presentation on the results of the RTD Passenger Survey.

Director Giovanetti asked how staff ensured that the survey was broad-based.

Marketing and Communications Manager Paul Rapp noted that the surveys were completed at RTD's Downtown Transit Center and Mall Transfer Station which are transfer locations for most of our routes.

Director Isetti highlighted the survey results showing that 31 percent of RTD's passengers are new riders. He noted that RTD should focus efforts on retaining new riders.

B. OUTREACH REPORT FOR JANUARY 2012 FARE RESTRUCTURE

Marketing and Communications Manager Paul Rapp provided a presentation on the outreach efforts for the January 2012 Fare Restructure.

Director Isetti congratulated the Marketing Department for the outreach efforts. Chair Fong noted that the graphics were outstanding.

C. SAFE PLACE PROGRAM

Director of Operations Laurie Brown provided a presentation on the Safe Place Program.

Chair Fong noted that this is a great program and he was honored to be at the kick-off event.

D. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Finance Manager Virginia Alcayde provided information on the January Financial Reports.

Director Isetti congratulated staff for operating at one percent above expected revenue and for managing expenses.

Director Giovanetti noted that wages and fringe benefits are in line with the budget and he appreciates staff for managing this expense.

12. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS

Director Isetti noted that there were some overfilled trash receptacles along Pershing and Pacific Avenues, possibly due to the recent holiday.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Fong announced that there would be no closed session.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Fong adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.