

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2015

The Board of Directors of the San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) held a Regular Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, June 19, 2015, **IN THE BOARDROOM OF RTD'S DOWNTOWN TRANSIT CENTER, 421 E. WEBER AVENUE, STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER Chair Giovanetti called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE/REFLECTION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
4. SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT
5. ROLL CALL Present: Gary S. Giovanetti
Michael P. Restuccia
Balwinder T. Singh
Les J. Fong

Absent: Joni Bauer

Staff Present

Donna DeMartino, General Manager/CEO
Al Hoslett, Legal Counsel
Gloria Salazar, Assistant General Manager/CFO
Kent Bradbury, Legal Counsel – Employee and Labor Relations
Wendell Krell, Director of Facilities
Michael Thompson, Director of IT
Sharon Miller, Director of Procurement
Shelly Valenton, Manager of Strategic Affairs
George Lorente, Grants Manager
Nate Knodt, Service Development Manager
Virginia Alcayde, Finance Manager
Maximilian Cao, Communications Analyst
Brandon Vales, Procurement Analyst
Carrie McGrath, Strategic Affairs Specialist
Merab Talamantes, Strategic Affairs Office Assistant II

Members of the Public Who Indicated They Were Present

Jesse Lopez	Jeremiah Stanley	June Drew
James Young	Sheri Lueth	
Becky Thornton	Deborah Gurley	
Lisa Newtop	Dianna Murry	

6. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Special recognition was given to Procurement Analyst Brandon Vales, Administration Employee of the Month for April and Communications Analyst Maximilian Cao, Administration Employee of the Month for May.

Chair Giovanetti announced that Agenda item 11A, 50th Anniversary Celebration, would be moved to follow Special Presentations.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Staff provided a presentation on RTD's 50th Anniversary Celebration.

General Manager/CEO Donna DeMartino invited Manager of Strategic Affairs Shelly Valenton to present a special video and presentation on RTD's 50th Anniversary Celebration.

A Certificate of Commendation was presented to Strategic Affairs Senior Specialist – Marketing Terry Williams for his role as the lead coordinator for the 50th Anniversary Celebration.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Jesse Lopez commented on RTD's gold wrapped 50th Anniversary bus, the new loop that has been added to Route 43, and Dump-the-Pump Day activities.

James Young stated he enjoyed helping at RTD's 50th Anniversary Celebration and looks forward to helping at future events.

Becky Thornton thanked RTD for the 50th Anniversary Celebration.

Lisa Newtop discussed Dial-a-Ride reservations. Chair Giovanetti asked Ms. Newtop to speak with Accessible Services Senior Specialist Adam Doi in order to receive assistance.

Jeremiah Stanley commented on RTD's 50th Anniversary Celebration and on Routes 90, 91, and 7.

Sheri Lueth discussed the height of the bus steps on RTD's Metro Buses. Chair Giovanetti explained that the Metro bus operators can kneel the bus for disabled passengers and directed Accessible Services Senior Specialist Adam Doi to assist Ms. Lueth.

Deborah Gurley commended Hopper Coach Operator Maria Jones for being kind and helpful, and stated she enjoyed RTD's 50th Anniversary Celebration.

Dianna Murry commented on the schedules for Routes 375 and 76.

June Drew commented on finding space for passengers' personal carts on RTD buses.

8. REPORTS

A. MV REPORT

On behalf of MV General Manager Susanna Sanchez, MV's Safety and Training Manager Carter Luxon discussed participating in Senior Awareness Day 2015 along with RTD, and announced MV's monthly safety meeting topics that included backing safety, fixed objects, and heat stress.

Chair Giovanetti inquired about how many years RTD has been participating in Senior Awareness Day. General Manager/CEO Donna DeMartino stated that RTD has been proud to participate since the 1990s, and also in the Tour of Lights for seniors and disabled persons during the holidays.

B. GENERAL MANAGER/CEO REPORT

The General Manager/CEO:

- Discussed the recent awards received by RTD including: the Women's Transportation Seminar Employer of the Year; Stockton Chamber of Commerce's Fitness Rejuvenates Employee Sustainability and Health (FRESH) Employer of the Year; the American Heart Association's Fit Friendly Company Gold Award; and the TMSA Compass Awards of Merit for the Fall Festival, Veteran's Bus, and 50th Anniversary Video Marketing Campaigns.
- Reported that RTD recently attended an American Bus Benchmarking Group (ABBG) Paratransit Workshop and will be hosting the Annual ABBG Meeting in October.

C. STATE/FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT

The General Manager/CEO:

- Reported that RTD staff, along with RTD Board Chair Giovanetti and RTD Board Member Fong, attended the California Transit Association's Annual Legislative Conference in Sacramento to participate at the state and federal levels on important topics such as transportation funding.
- Stated that RTD continues to be actively involved in the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA) issue, and is preparing a letter from the RTD Board Chair to Members of Congress to encourage them to get involved in getting federal funds released.
- Advised that although a two-month extension of the Highway Trust Fund has been issued on a continuing resolution, federal funds still have not been received.
- Reported that RTD recently held a City/County/Transit/Liaison Meeting and two representatives each from the City of Stockton and San Joaquin County participated.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. RESOLUTION: MINUTES OF THE MAY 15, 2015, REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Resolution No. 5584: Board approval of the May 15, 2015, Regular Board of Directors Meeting minutes

ACTION: MOTION: VICE-CHAIR RESTUCCIA SECOND: DIRECTOR SINGH
Roll Call:
AYES: Fong, Giovanetti, Restuccia, Singh
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Bauer

- B. RESOLUTION: MINUTES OF THE MAY 23, 2015, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Resolution No. 5585: Board approval of the May 23, 2015, Special Board of Directors Meeting minutes

ACTION: MOTION: VICE-CHAIR RESTUCCIA SECOND: DIRECTOR FONG
Roll Call:
AYES: Fong, Giovanetti, Restuccia, Singh
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Bauer

10. ACTION ITEMS

- A. RESOLUTION: APPROVE FY 2016 OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,167,380 AND CAPITAL BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,102,719
Resolution No. 5586: Board approval of the FY 2016 Operating Budget in the Amount of \$34,167,380 and Capital Budget in the Amount of \$9,102,719

Assistant General Manager/CFO Gloria Salazar provided a presentation on the FY 2016 Operating and Capital Budget.

Ms. Salazar discussed RTD's FY 2015 accomplishments, FY 2016 strategic plans and goals, and the funding challenges that may adversely impact RTD's budget, including the following: the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA), absence of long-term federal funding authorization, and Local Transportation Fund (LTF) revenues.

ACTION: MOTION: VICE-CHAIR RESTUCCIA SECOND: DIRECTOR SINGH
Roll Call:
AYES: Fong, Giovanetti, Restuccia, Singh
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Bauer

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

- B. REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION CENTER (RTC) UPDATE
Arcadis Inc. Senior Construction Manager Brad Chadwick provided an update on

the construction of the Regional Transportation Center (RTC).

Chair Giovanetti inquired whether the pending contract change order figure would be added to the approved contract change order figure once approved. Mr. Chadwick replied affirmatively and stated that the percentage of change orders for the entire project is around the rate of 2.38, which is well below the national average.

CEO/General Manager Donna DeMartino stated that some of the reasons for the change order were changing the number of buildings from three to two, and moving Operations to the Maintenance Building.

C. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Finance Manager Virginia Alcayde provided the May Financial Report to the Board.

In response to Vice-Chair Restuccia's question about how RTD is funding the net revenue amount, Finance Manager Virginia Alcayde responded that advance grants are used to regulate cash flow and that RTD is aggressive with collections.

Chair Giovanetti requested that Director of Facilities Wendell Krell hold the next Facilities Committee Meeting scheduled on July 8, 2015, and to invite the Board Members so that they may tour the RTC facility.

Chair Giovanetti invited Service Development Manager Nate Knodt to give an update about the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC) and Amtrak. Mr. Knodt advised that the SJRRRC has officially become the operating authority for the Amtrak San Joaquin trains, effective July 1, 2015.

12. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS

None.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Giovanetti announced that there would be Closed Session.

Upon returning from closed session, Chair Giovanetti reported that the Board took no reportable action in Closed Session.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Giovanetti adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.