

**SAN MATEO COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT
1250 SAN CARLOS AVENUE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2009**

Members Present: J. Deal, R. Guilbault, S. Harris, J. Hartnett, Z. Kersteen-Tucker (Chair), A. Lloyd, K. Matsumoto, A. Tissier

Members Absent: M. Church

Staff Present: J. Cassman, M. Colondres, G. Harrington, C. Harvey, R. Haskin, R. Lake, M. Lee, M. Martinez, N. McKenna, D. Miller, C. Patton, M. Scanlon, M. Simon

Chair Zoe Kersteen-Tucker called the meeting to order at 3:24 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Board unanimously approved the consent calendar (Hartnett/Lloyd).

- a. Approval of Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting of September 9, 2009
- b. Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenses for June 2009 (unaudited)
- c. Acceptance of Statement of Revenues and Expenses for August 2009

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Grace, San Lorenzo, said 20 years ago was the Loma Prieta earthquake.

REPORT OF CHAIR

Chair Kersteen-Tucker said she and Director Shirley Harris attended the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) annual conference last week. She said she came away with the feeling that this is the best time to be involved in the transit industry and there is great promise. Chair Kersteen-Tucker said High Speed Rail (HSR) is hip and happening all over the country. She said one of the conference highlights was our very own General Manager/CEO Michael Scanlon being elected First Vice Chair of APTA, a very prestigious and influential position. Chair Kersteen-Tucker said she and Director Harris also had the opportunity to attend the Eno Transportation Foundation's Transit Board Summit. This is an intensive two-day training designed to prepare board members to be more effective. She said this Board is very lucky to have the kind of training and orientation prepared by the Executive Team because it is not an industry standard. Chair Kersteen-Tucker said the Executive Director of the Eno Transportation Foundation, Steve Van Beek, gave the most extraordinary policy talk. He stated that the Highway Trust Fund is broken and there needs to be new ways to fund public transportation. She said agencies that prepare themselves for transformation by incorporating the new policy trends into their strategic vision will be the most successful. Chair Kersteen-Tucker said the District's strategic plan really prepares the agency for this transformation. She said at the national level there is a reformed mindset. She said the Board's challenge in the coming years will be to create a willingness among voters to support a tax for more transportation dollars.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/CEO

Mr. Scanlon reported:

- Thanked the Board for adopting the proclamation designating October as “Disabilities Awareness Month.”
- Thanked Chair Kersteen-Tucker and Director Harris for attending the APTA conference and also participating in the Eno training.
- Thanked Chair Kersteen-Tucker for taking the lead in getting the Board to take a more active role in advocacy at both the State and Federal levels.
- Thanked Manager, Strategic Development Corrine Goodrich and the entire Planning and Development group on the implementation of the Mobility Ambassador Program.
- The senior promotion campaign includes ads, a “How to Ride Guide” and mailings to various senior centers.
- The comprehensive triennial on-board customer survey is currently being conducted on the buses.
- Staff received a first place AdWheel award at the APTA conference for “Art Takes a Bus Ride – Go Green” bus wrap.
- The storekeepers have worked 17,000 hours without a lost work day from May 2008 through July 2009. The North Base maintenance team has worked over 42,000 hours without a lost work day.
- In September 2009 the fixed-route fleet averaged 19,700 miles between service calls and Redi-Wheels averaged 32,200 miles between service calls. These are both above the 19,000 mile goal.
- The service reductions will be effective December 20 and the fare increase will be effective July 2010.
- On September 11 the Supervisor Academy had an Emotional Intelligence Seminar.
- Upcoming events include the Fall Fest in Menlo Park this weekend and the Half Moon Bay Pumpkin Festival.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

(Accessibility, Senior Services, and Community Issues)

MOTION

- a. Designation of October as “Disabilities Awareness Month”

The motion (Lloyd/Tissier) to approve the designation was unanimous.

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED

- b. Accessibility Update
- c. Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC) Update
- d. Citizens Advisory Committee Liaison Report
- e. Performance Report – Shuttles
- f. Multimodal Ridership Report – August 2009

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Authorize Filing Annual Claim with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) for Transportation Development Act (TDA), State Transit Assistance (STA) Claims and Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Funds for Fiscal Year 2010 in the Amount of \$680,678

- b. Authorize Rejection of N/S Corporation Bid Protest and all Bids for Providing a Bus Wash System as Non-Responsive
- c. Authorize Rejection of Bid from General Petroleum as Non-Responsive and Award of Contract to Pinnacle Petroleum, Inc. for Furnishing Clear, Ultra-Low Sulfur Diesel (ULSD) Fuel for a Total Estimated Cost of \$7,348,689 for a Two-year Term

The motion (Hartnett/Lloyd) to approve the resolutions was approved unanimously by roll call.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED

- a. State and Federal Legislative Update

PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

SUBJECTS DISCUSSED

- a. Implementation of New Freedom Project – Mobility Ambassador Program

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

In reading file.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING – November 12, 2009, at 2 p.m., San Mateo County Transit District, Administrative Building, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, San Carlos, CA 94070.

GENERAL COUNSEL PROPOSAL

Legal Counsel David Miller said there are two items for closed session discussion as permitted by the Brown Act and each deals with pending labor negotiations.

- a. Closed Session: Conference with Labor Negotiator – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, Teamsters Union, Local 856 (Bus Transportation Supervisors, Dispatchers and Radio Controllers)
- b. Closed Session: Conference with Labor Negotiator – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1574 (Customer Service Center Employees)

Adjourned to closed session at: 4:00 p.m.

Reconvened to open session at: 4:13 p.m.

Mr. Miller said the Board of Directors of the San Mateo County Transit District has convened in closed session to hear a report from its labor negotiator and bargaining team with respect to pending labor negotiations with the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1574 representing the Customer Service Center Employees and the Teamsters Union Local 856 representing Bus Transportation Supervisors, Dispatchers and Radio Controllers as well as Bus Transportation Inspectors.

Mr. Miller said he will keep the Board informed of ongoing progress with these negotiations in the coming weeks and there is no action to be taken at this time.

Adjourned: 4:15 p.m.