

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SAN JOAQUIN REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2011

The Board of Directors of the San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) held its regular meeting at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18, 2011, **IN THE BOARDROOM OF RTD'S DOWNTOWN TRANSIT CENTER, 421 E. WEBER AVENUE, STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER Chair Isetti 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: None
Les J. Fong
Gary S. Giovanetti
Joni Bauer
Michael P. Restuccia

Staff Present

Donna DeMartino, General Manager/CEO
Gloria Salazar, Assistant General Manager/CFO
Laurrie Brown, Director of Operations
Thomas Webb, Director of Human Resources
Al Hoslett, Legal Counsel
Shelly Valenton, Executive and Board Support Manager
Ericka Rocha, Senior Administrative Assistant
Lorena Herrera, Administrative Assistant
Nate Knodt, Service Development Manager
Damaris Galvan, Planning Senior Specialist
Virginia Alcayde, Finance Manager
Nathaniel Atherstone, Planning Manager
Sharon Miller, Procurement Manager
Sandra Crivello, Mobility Analyst

Employees and Members of the Public Who Indicated They Were Present

James Young	Jeremiah Stanley	Brad Muirbrook
Tu Can Nguyen	Deborah Gurley	Sean Reilly
Steve Herzfeldt		

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION
 - A. EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Special recognition was given to Planning Senior Specialist Damaris Galvan, Administration Employee of the Month for September.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

James Young commented on the need for an ADA accessible ramp to access one of the bus stops for Route 81.

Jeremiah Stanley commented on passenger behavior on the bus and fare evasion on Routes 40 and 44.

Brad Muirbrook with American Logistics Company (ALC), a service provider on contract with RTD, commented on the unusually high number of complaints from Dial-A-Ride customers. He explained that there was a group of independent contractors who were having mechanical problems with their vehicles. That group of contractors has been pulled and ALC will continue to monitor contractors' performance.

Tu Can Nguyen commented on the need for improvement of routes, coach operator conduct, and the incidents at a previous Board meeting.

Deborah Gurley commented on passengers smoking in non-designated areas at the Downtown Transit Center and seats for ADA passengers. She commended a coach operator for monitoring passenger behavior on the bus.

Shawn Riley commented on the Fare Restructure, the schedule modifications for Route 93, and the removal of a bus stop on California and Oak.

Steve Herzfelt commented on schedule improvements for routes arriving in Downtown Stockton and at San Joaquin Delta Collge.

7. REPORTS

A. GENERAL MANAGER/CEO REPORT

The General Manager/CEO provided the following additional information:

- Last month, the Board approved an Operator Voluntary Retirement Incentive and seven coach operators accepted the offer. As a result, two operators were spared from layoff and five full-time operators scheduled to be converted to part-time status were able to retain full-time employment.

B. STATE/FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPORT

The General Manager/CEO provided the following additional information:

- October 9 was the last day for the governor to either sign or veto bills. SB 575 was signed and it extends the waiver for efficiency standards in State Transit Assistance funds through 2015. The bill frees up flexible dollars that can now be used for operating expenses.
- RTD will be vigilant in watching for new legislation regarding AB 1097 Buy America, Civil Rights, and Environmental Justice.

- The Senate Appropriations Committee approved a Transportation Spending Bill that includes a provision that eliminates Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) from New Starts. This is a concern because RTD has received New Start funds for its BRT service.
- RTD was awarded an 8.5 million State of Good Repair grant for the Regional Transportation Center. RTD's success is a direct result of sending representatives to American Public Transportation Association (APTA) legislative visits, San Joaquin One Voice visits, and RTD's reputation of good project delivery.

Marketing and Communications Manager Paul Rapp provided a presentation on RTD receiving the San Joaquin Valley Blue Print Award of Achievement for the Downtown Transit Center.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. RESOLUTION: MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2011 REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Resolution No. 5350: Board approval of the September 20, 2011 regular Board of Directors meeting minutes
- B. RESOLUTION: 2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING SCHEDULE
Resolution No. 5351: Board approval of the 2012 Board of Directors meeting schedule

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

9. ACTION ITEMS

- A. RESOLUTION: JANUARY 2012 FARE STRUCTURE MODIFICATIONS
Resolution No. 5352: Board approval of the January 2012 Fare Structure Modifications

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

10. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. QUARTERLY REPORT – AWARDED CONTRACTS
Procurement Manager Sharon Miller provided information on contracts awarded for the period July through September 2011.

- B. RTD STANDING BOARD COMMITTEE AND RETIREMENT BOARD ASSIGNMENTS
Chair Isetti provided information on the Standing Board Committee and Retirement Board assignments. With the resignation of D. David Smith as a Director and the appointment of Director Restuccia to fill his unexpired term, Chair Isetti presented to the Board his appointments to the various committees until the committee appointments are made in February 2012. Following a discussion thereof, Director Fong moved, seconded by Director Bauer, that the Board of Directors concurs with the Committee Appointments of the Chair, as modified. Said motion was unanimously passed and adopted.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
Finance Manager Virginia Alcayde provided information to the Board on the September Financial Reports.

12. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM DIRECTORS

Director Giovanetti provided a report on the APTA Annual Conference and Expo.

Director Restuccia expressed his hope that as a member of the Board he will be a valuable asset to RTD.

Director Bauer welcomed Director Restuccia to the Board and noted that she will provide a report on the CalACT Autumn Conference at the next Board meeting.

Director Fong commended staff for their creativity in saving jobs noting the Operator Voluntary Retirement Incentive.

Chair Isetti welcomed Director Restuccia to the Board.

13. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Isetti announced that there would be no closed session.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Isetti adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.