

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOARD MEETING
December 13, 2010**

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken at 6:07 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Cohn, Hume, MacGlashan, Nottoli, Pannell, Sander, and Chair Miller. Absent: Director Morin.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Motion: Action Summary - Board Meeting of November 8, 2010
2. Motion: Rejection of Claim: *Stewart, L.*
3. Resolution: Awarding a Contract to JD Graphics for Purchase of Bus and Light Rail Pocket Timetables (Selenis)
4. Resolution: Awarding a Contract to MHN, Inc. for Employee Assistance Program Services (Bonnel)
5. Resolution: Approving the Second Amendment to the Temporary Employment Contract with Kim Hancock for Video Systems and Fiber Optics Planning and Installation Services (Boswell)
6. Resolution: Approving the Third Amendment to the Service Agreement with the City of Elk Grove (Bernegger)
7. Resolution: Approving Fifth Amendment to Contract with Geotrans, Inc. for Remediation Monitoring Services for the Bus Maintenance Facility (Cain)
8. Resolution: Approving Work Order No. 1 to the Contract with 4LEAF, Inc. for General Construction Management Support Services for the Bus Maintenance Facility No. 2 Project (Gamble)
9. Resolution: Accepting an Easement for Use of Certain Real Property for Roadway Access and Improvements from the United States of America (Mattos)
10. Resolution: Approving a Master Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for State Funded Projects and Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Sign Program Supplements (Brookshire)
11. Resolution: Approving Revised Terms and Conditions of Employment for Non-Represented Management and Confidential Employees, Effective January 1,

2011 (Bailey)

12. Resolution: Amending Title II of Sacramento Regional Transit District's Administrative Code to Revise Appendix A (Behrens)
13. Resolution: Establishing Regular Meeting Schedule for 2011 (Brooks)
14. Resolution: Conditionally Approving Contracts with Kaiser, Health Net, Delta Dental, and Delta Care USA for 2011 (Bailey)
15. Resolution: Approving a Sole Source Procurement and Award a Contract to Alstom Transportation, Inc. for the Purchase of Five Inverter Power Modules (Miller)

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Pannell moved; Director Cohn seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Director Morin.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

16. General Manager's Report
 - a. Government Affairs Update
 1. Oral Presentation by Rich Gold, Jeff Boothe and Julie Minerva of Holland and Knight
 - b. South Line Phase 2 Update
 - c. Monthly Performance Report (October 2010)
 - d. RT Meeting Calendar

Mr. Wiley introduced Rich Gold and Jeff Boothe of Holland and Knight, noting that Julie Minerva was not present due to her involvement in other activities.

Rich Gold noted that RT has an earmark for \$1.8 million in the Senate Transportation Appropriations bill which is currently pending in conference between the House and the Senate. This earmark is for the regional bus program. The current continuing resolution which has been extended expires this Friday. We expect an extension of the continuing resolution for another five days or so, right until Christmas Eve, and hopefully will have business finished up by then. The goal is to have a single Omnibus Appropriations Bill that will wrap all of the pending 12 appropriations bills that have not been finished yet. We expect them to finish this by early next week. At this point it looks good for being able to get 60 votes for an Omnibus Appropriations bill on the floor, although nothing is certain until they actually take the bill to the floor. There are fiscal conservatives who, at the Federal level, consider member directed spending to be "a gateway drug to budget busting spending". There are also those that feel strongly, including many conservatives that Article 1 gives the power of expenditure to the Congress and that we created a system without a king. Regardless of where money flows there will be money flowing both for bus and light rail funding.

Jeff Boothe noted that the reauthorization bill expired September 30, 2009 and there have been extensions of the bill. Congress is considering an extension of the bill until September 30, 2011. The next step will be that the Administration will introduce their FY 2012 budget and indicate their principles and perhaps legislation around the Surface Transportation Bill. The new incoming chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee weighed out two choices to the House: 1) to hold out for the \$500 million Jim Oberstar bill which requires a gasoline tax increase, or 2) get a bill done quickly, which is done with existing revenues in the Highway Trust Fund. The consequence of the second alternative is that we cut about \$8 billion a year out of the Highway Program and we roll it back, as characterized by his staff, as the 1950's Interstate Highway system. On the transit side, he talked about cutting the formula side of the program from \$8 to \$5 billion a year, and talked about the general fund side of the program being cut from \$2 to \$1 billion a year. That means that the New Starts program would receive a 50% cut. Mr. Boothe believes that this is an intent to wake up the House that there are going to be no more infusions of general fund monies into the Highway Trust Fund, and it is now time for Congress to get serious about figuring how to get a bill done. So the question is whether Congress has the courage to raise the revenues necessary to do a bill that needs to be done. The Administration has not signaled their intention to raise the gas tax. In the next couple of weeks, we expect that FTA will draft their New Starts report that will accompany the FY 12 budget. That report is published at the same time as the FY 12 budget. This is important for South Line because the Administration will identify the projects for which it will fund in that budget. We will know whether South Line is included in the next couple of weeks.

There are about five projects that were scheduled for full funding grant agreements - most of those have stalled. The impact of that is there is more money coming back to the core program. As far as the Urban Circulator is concerned, the Sacramento side of the project still needs to be addressed. The FTA indicated that the project lacks independent utility, which means it goes no where at this point until the conversation is resolved on this side of the River (where does the project terminate?). The CNG rebate is part of a separate package called the extenders package. We are optimistic that we will deal with the CNG tax credit as well as the commuter benefits keeping transit in parity with the parking. The issue is what is the offset to pay for the tax credits. As far as authorization/reauthorization in the upcoming year, the funding piece of the President's deficit reduction commission likely gets wrapped up and resolved in tax reform and deficit reduction efforts in the next 12 months. The deficit reduction commission did recommend an increase in the gas tax. Other voices have recommended a tax on petroleum at the refinery to fund the program moving forward.

Mike Wiley then verbalized his written report.

Director Cohn asked for a report back as to why ridership for October 2010 was down. Mike Wiley indicated that he would report back in January.

Director MacGlashan asked if the ridership to the Folsom stations has declined since December 13, 2010 Action Summary

their services ended at 7:00 prior to the service changes. Mike Wiley indicated that he would provide a report on boardings and alightings by station and that this information would be included in the January report.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING

NEW BUSINESS

17. Intent Motion: To Elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for the RT Board of Directors for 2011 (Brooks)

ACTION: APPROVED - Director Cohn moved; Director Hume seconded approval of the nomination of Director Nottoli as Chair, and Director Pannell as Vice Chair for 2011. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Director Morin.

REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS

18. Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Meeting - November 17, 2010 (Cohn)

Director Cohn noted a correction to the report. He noted that the term for the Chair and Vice Chair of the Capitol Corridor is 2 years instead of 4 years.

19. Paratransit Board Meeting - November 18, 2010 (Pannell)

No additional comments were provided.

PUBLIC ADDRESSES THE BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum - Mr. Barnbaum noted that SACOG would be holding their Unmet Transit Needs Hearing in the RT Auditorium on January 29, 2011.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ADJOURN

Chair Miller adjourned the meeting in honor and appreciation of the men and women in the military that are serving state side and abroad, that will not be home to celebrate the Holidays.

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

STEVE MILLER, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: _____
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary