



11. Resolution: Approving the Modified Job Descriptions for the Director, Labor Relations, Senior Procurement Analyst, and Purchasing and Materials Administrator (Bonnel)
12. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Approve a Letter Agreement with the District's 457b Deferred Compensation Recordkeeper (Bonnel)

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Hume seconded approval of the consent calendar with the exception of Item 10. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Chair Schenirer.**

10. Resolution: Establishing Regular Meeting Schedule for 2016 (Brooks)

Speakers: Lee Thao                      Mike Barnbaum                      Pam Haney

Director Nottoli suggested that staff keep the suggested dates and allow staff to cancel dates when meeting agendas are light.

**ACTION: Partial Approval - Director Hansen motion to approve the two Board meeting dates in January; Director Jennings seconded the motion. The motion included a report back from staff on holding monthly meetings, possible alternate sites, and times, and the pros and cons of such. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Directors Hansen, Harris, Jennings, MacGlashan, and Vice Chair Morin. Noes: Directors Budge, Hume, Miller, Nottoli, and Serna. Absent: Chair Schenirer. Motion passes at 53 votes.**

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

13. General Manager's Report
  - a. Government Affairs Update
    - 1) State Legislative Update – Smith, Watts & Hartmann
  - b. System-Wide Improvement Initiatives (Ham)
  - c. Mobile Ticketing Application – Mattos
  - d. RT Meeting Calendar

Mike Wiley added to his written federal report in that staff continues to work with our representatives and advocates in Washington D.C. regarding items still being discussed by Congress (alternative fuel tax which includes the CNG rebate and the federal credit for transit passes).

Mr. Wiley introduced Mark Watts of Smith, Watts & Hartmann who provided an update on State legislative activities. Mr. Watts covered activities in 2015, the special session activities, and provided a look ahead for the coming year.

Laura Ham noted that the Ad Hoc System Improvement Committee met on December

11. During that meeting, an update was provided on Doug Carter's diagnostic review, revenue enhancement and cost savings opportunities as well as RT's system wide improvement initiatives and the ESC/Golden 1 programming. The next steps for the 7<sup>th</sup> & K light rail station will be coming back to the Board in January with the results from the public survey and outreach. Three hundred responses were received. Ms. Ham noted that staff should be able to provide a recommendation about the station in the February timeframe.

Mike Mattos noted that RT plans to "go live" on January 3, 2016 with the Mobile Phone application. The price for Go Passport to help RT get this six month pilot program running was free of charge. Simon Kang of Go Passport provided an overview of his power point.

Speaker: Jeffery Tardaguila

## **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

14. Title VI Fare Equity Analysis for Changes to the Los Rios Pass Program (Vohlers)
  - A. Hold a Hearing on a Title VI Fare Change Equity Analysis for Changes to the Los Rios College Pass Program; and
  - B. Resolution: Approving the Final Title VI Fare Change Equity Analysis for Changes to Los Rios College Pass Program

Speakers:

Jeffery Tardaguila – "Hello Board, I am sorry but I really, like I say, why I brought to your attention last time, the one sidedness of this contract and the fact that, in the last five years, you've renegotiated this contract for a 100% increase, repeatedly. You are now to the point where in less than six months you have gone from a brand new contract, which I did not even hear last meeting, the answer to the question, "will this be in any way changed over the next five years?", your track record isn't been very accurate on that part. Now, the other side is, there is 66 thousands at Los Rios. Only 3,000 students voted, and yet you consider that a 94% -- that was the yes votes because they felt that they had no other means other than agreeing to, and as Los Rios admitted said, this is the best deal we can get. Now to me, this Board needs to reexamine and consider what you can do to increase Los Rios ridership. This will have a big impact on City College because they have a large percentage of low, shall we say, income individuals in there. And you also, as I pointed out the last time, this will impact because they have the most outreach programs in various areas which, again, RT is

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not done a great job of seeing how well those services line up with their class schedules, at all, period. Something that needs to be considered in the future. Um, in regards to this low fare, you consider a state worker that gets by tax payers a subsidized, you know, fare paying revenue which is what you discovered five years ago when you turned on and took out season passes. You discovered how much state riders didn't get your message, well wait a minute, let me use a 15 or 20 day pass because I can get a much cheaper discount and not spend \$100 for a monthly bus pass. This case you are only talking out, gee, a bus pass that you are trying when you initially did this, to build ridership and get that transportation mode of students to understand using public transportation is an advantage. Um, in regards to this again, will call it low income piece. I think your evaluation is flawed and I think this year you've had a number of decisions you made so rapidly that you are going to in years coming, going to regret them....that you did things so quickly. Um, and I think you did so poor in the way of public comment. I'm sorry to say this, but, I am disappointed this year at this Board."

Mike Barnbaum – “Good evening, thank you for the opportunity to talk to you about the Los Rios matter before you this evening. We took a hard look at this and looking back at the report in July, plus a matter that we were at last week in Elk Grove with the amended contract between Elk Grove and RT, we applaud the analysis that this agreement is coming forth before you, in that, it provides the District some, some revenue and in every way shape or form, forms of revenue for the District are very much needed. If you were with us last Wednesday as Director Hume has and was Chair Schenirer, the agreement last week is gonna create a way that RT needs to find a way to plug that missing revenue in the new historic agreement with the City of Elk Grove. While this may or may not be the only solution, we think it's a start to bring revenues to the District and we appreciate the previous speaker's comments. Last week in the morning at a meeting, we had heard from the GM/CEO that while the economy has recovered, the jobs are not necessarily where service is in place today, per se, versus what it was like prior to the great recession occurring and the job losses coming with that. One thing perhaps this Board and the staff could explore, we don't know what the ridership was like, but that is why there is studies and analysis that are done all the time on ridership and how routes are doing compared to other routes. What if, former Route 83 was analyzed – to that speaker's point, it was a route that served City College and pulled up right at the station between the station and Hughes Stadium, and not out in front of Freeport Boulevard, and it was a linked to University/65<sup>th</sup> Station that allowed, perhaps, a quicker trip and more direct from two campuses than two rail lines currently provided; so that is just a thought. But thank you for bringing this back.”

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Hansen moved; Director Hume seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Chair Schenirer.**

15. Proposed Amendment of RT's Prohibited Acts Ordinance – Spangler

A. Hold a Public Hearing Regarding the Amendment to the Prohibited Acts Ordinance; and

B. Adopt Ordinance 15-12-01, Amending Ordinance 15-06-02 Prohibiting Specified Acts Committed In or On RT Vehicles or Facilities

Speaker:

Jeffery Tardaguila – “Good evening, Board. Um, as something that does directly affect me riding the bus, I still have the question of how in the world are you going to enforce it when you don’t generally even have yellow shirts, so is it a supervisor that is going to have the authority to deal with this situation or are you going to have to have an operator call a supervisor to have the supervisor call RT’s, um, law enforcement to come over here and say look, we have an individual that we are just not going to exclude him off of the bus, but we are now having something that we are enforcing in the way of a regulation? Um, I, tonight just saw two yellow shirts at 65<sup>th</sup> Street knowing that there are very little things that they can do other than comment and make observations, and they are only doing it for the light rail. Now you are expanding security service on to the bus system, and I do not know what you’ve examined expenses of this, but again I think this is a rushed back to try and do things, although, granted, hey, go through the legislator figuring out how to implement it is indeed your best effort right now.”

Lee Thao - “Hello again. So like I said earlier, there are a lot of people who cannot make it today and to make up for that I would like to, I recorded one of our guests who really needs, wants to be here, but she cannot because of the schedule she has something else. I would like to play; its only like less than a minute of what she has to say (played a prerecorded statement from Regina Hanglebrut, “I am a caretaker for Kevin Hanglebrut, which is my husband. He is in a wheelchair. The wheelchair place where people get on the wheelchair ramp, a lot of them are \_\_\_ because of \_\_\_\_, and so, on top of that also, we, something needs to be done for those that have to get on the wheelchair, as people do not want to move, so I think that it may be possible that you guys could take out the chairs so guys can have actually four people with wheelchairs. I really appreciate that – thank you.” And, um, just in case, I don’t know if you guys heard that really well but she has, is a rider and her husband is on a wheelchair. He is around 300 pounds, and she is about my height, my size and so it is really hard for her to push him in and once her challenge is that there is a lot of the bus stops is not wide enough for her to push her, the wheelchair, on to the bus and that just really, it, it is big concern because she does not have the strength to push him in, and some time if they buses do not have enough room, if the bus stop does not have enough room, it really creates a big challenge and obstacle for her. Um, and so she suggests that, hey you know, why, you know some times the benches are there, you know, move the bench or move, you know, the fences that creates that a barrier so create more a bigger room for people on wheelchairs. Um, I know her first name, thank you.”

Pam Haney – “Hello again. Um, I really like to ensure that you guys are taking very seriously the idea of making something a citable offense. The majority of your riders are life line riders. Um, they don’t have a ton of money, they really rely on the bus, it’s already an issue if they miss a bus for whatever reason, or get kicked off a bus for

whatever reason, and um, making failure to yield reserved seating, um, it seems almost a no brainer, right, if someone is disabled, and of course, they should have that seat on the front, except that, how is a bus operator qualified to make the determination of who is disabled? I have spent the entirety of my adult life working with people with developmental disabilities and let me tell you, that um, many of them don't, don't show that on the outside; however, I worked with a gentleman several years ago who needed a seat in the front of the bus, it was the same seat on every bus, and he missed his bus if that seat was not available. So under this rule, though, he would maybe wait three rounds for a bus with a seat that he has identified as his, as available, and then he be told to move, and, you know, that's part of his disability...he waited for it, he found whatever coping mechanism he could make it manageable and then some bus rider is going to tell him, no, you have to get off because there is somebody else that I see as having a more valuable, or more significant disability, or disability that shows on the face of it. Um, and so are we then going to ask people to provide medical documentation. Um, on the bus and things like that so, that is a significant issue to me, and another issue also, is just, it's just simply not illegal to be a jerk, you know. You can get asked to be, you know, you can be asked to be removed from the bus, or what have you. Um, if I come up in here and I am having a bad day, and I am acting inappropriately in some way, you can tell me to leave and if I chose to do so, then cool, then all I got was told to leave and I was a jerk, and you all know I was a jerk. But there has to be something further than being a jerk for it to be a citable offense, you know. Um, so once we get into a thing, I get to give you a citation because you are just not behaving well. Um, you know, I mean that that is slippery slope, you know. Might make the deciding body kind of a jerk."

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Budge moved; Director Hansen seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Chair Schenirer.**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

16. Intent Motion: To Elect a Chair and Vice Chair for the RT Board of Directors for 2016 (Brooks)

Vice Chair Morin noted that he and Chair Schenirer thought that it would be in RT's best interest to keep the same Chair and Vice Chair for 2016 because of all of the activity that is currently going on with the system improvement initiatives and the search for the new General Manager/CEO. This, of course, requires the concurrence of the Board.

**ACTION: APPROVED – Director Hansen moved; Director Miller seconded a motion to nominate Chair Schenirer as Chair and Andy Morin as Vice Chair for the RT Board of Directors for 2016. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Chair Schenirer.**

17. Resolution: Creating and Appointing an Ad Hoc Public Task Force to Administer the Recruitment Process to Fill the General Manager/CEO Vacancy and Providing Candidate Recommendations to the Sacramento Regional Transit District Board of Directors (Bonnel)

Director Hansen inquired as to the use of an outside consultant for the General Manager recruitment.

Mike Wiley noted that Chair Schenirer and he met and discussed the possibility of retaining the services of an outside consultant to assist staff with the recruitment for the General Manager/CEO position.

Director Nottoli inquired as to how this consultant would provide services; whether to assist or conduct the search. Director Nottoli requested to know what the process is going to be relative to the consultant. There are levels of assistance you can get. You can pay a lot or a little and you can ask for a lot, or a little, depending on the desire of this Board. Director Nottoli thought the previous direction given from the Board was clear, but would like to know what the external party is going to be used for. Mr. Wiley agreed to provide follow up.

Director Hume asked to identify which Board members are sitting on the Ad Hoc Committee. Ms. Bonnel identified Directors Morin, Serna, Hume and Chair Schenirer.

Speaker: Jeffery Tardaguila Pam Haney

**ACTION: APPROVED – Vice Chair Morin moved; Director MacGlashan seconded approval of creation of the Ad Hoc Public Task Force and the appointments of Directors Andy Morin, Phil Serna, Pat Hume, Chair Schenirer, Pam Flohr, Mike McKeever, Ralph Niz, and David Taylor to the Task Force. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Chair Schenirer.**

18. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015, and Authorizing the Use of Reserves (Selenis) - {“B” Below Requires a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> Vote}
  - A. Motion: Receive and File the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, Reports on Compliance and Internal Controls as required by OMB Circular A-133 and the Transportation Development Act, the Report to the Board of Directors for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015; and
  - B. Resolution: Authorizing the Use of \$1,445,930 of RT’s Operating Reserve Funds to Fund RT’s Decrease in Net Position in the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2015

Scott Nickerson of Crowe Horwath noted that his firm has provided RT with a clean opinion

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Harris moved; Vice Chair Morin seconded approval of the items as written. Motion was carried by roll call vote. Ayes: Directors Budge, Hansen, Harris, Hume, Jennings, MacGlashan, Nottoli, Serna and Vice Chair Morin.**

**Noes: Director Miller. Abstain: None. Absent: Chair Schenirer.**

19. Resolution: Repealing Resolution No. 13-08-0125, Repealing and Restating Sacramento Regional Transit District's Service and Fare Change Policies, and Adopting a New Service Change Policy (Drake)

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Hansen moved; Director Jennings seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Chair Schenirer.**

### **REPORTS, IDEAS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

20. Paratransit, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting – November 12, 2015 (Hume/Nottoli)

*No additional comments were provided.*

21. Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Meeting Summary – November 18, 2015

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

*No additional comments were provided.*

22. San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority Meeting – November 20, 2015 (Hume)

Director Hume noted that the implementation of positive train control which threatened heavy passenger rail and freight at the end of this year has been extended for 2 years.

Speaker: Mike Barnbaum

### **PUBLIC ADDRESSES THE BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Speakers:

Morgan Wilson – Mr. Wilson noted that RT's day passes and single ride tickets are similar, but different. For light rail, the single ride and day pass are for light rail only. On the day passes for buses, RT's pass can be used for both bus and rail. He feels he is forced to use a bus first to receive the full benefit of his ticket. If he were to take the light rail first, he feels he is forced to pay twice. He wants to know if RT is aware of this, and could anything be done about it.

Cheryl Harris – Ms. Harris noted that she missed most of the meeting, but everyone be courteous, and "let's go home".

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila would like RT to have a better year next year. He noted that at the "turkey walk at Sac State" and the "CIM", RT closes the most bus



stops for a while. Mr. Tardaguila indicated that he believes staff does not appropriately place signs at stops that are closed to notify riders about the event(s). He suggested that RT solicit the Food Bank and CIM for 100 signs that show that bus stops are closing, and that Customer Service has that information as well.

Maria Cornejo – Ms. Cornejo believes there is room for improvement for RT to increase ridership. She believes there are access issues (walking over a mile to get to a stop), and she suggested lengthening routes. She would like to see routes operating later. She states that getting to work is problematic as she is late to work because of the 9:00 a.m. service. Ms. Cornejo indicated that the air conditioner was on (this morning) on her light rail train. Ms. Cornejo believes a rider should be participating on the General Manager recruitment committee.

The following speakers spoke on the subject of the G4S Contract, asking the Board not to renew, or extend the G4S contract next year. This group indicated that they would like to see language included in the request for proposals that exclude human rights violators.

Maggie Coulter

Reverend Don Lee

Dr. Harry Wang

Dean Murakami

Professor Ghaith Hasan

Chris Yatooma

Jeanie Keltner

Delphine Brody

Mikos Fabersunne

Glenda Marsh

Brigitte Jaensch

Sandra McDonald signed up to speak, but was not present at the time her name was called.

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

### **RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION**

### **CLOSED SESSION**

### **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

### **CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

### **ADJOURN**

As there was no further business to be conducted, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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JAY SCHENIRER, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary