

**SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BOARD MEETING  
September 11, 2017**

**ROLL CALL:** Roll Call was taken at 5:30 p.m. PRESENT: Directors Budge, Hansen, Harris, Hume, Kennedy, Miller, Nottoli, Serna and Chair Morin. Absent: Directors Jennings and Schenirer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

Speakers:

Helen O'Connell – Ms. O'Connell would like to see the return on the lifetime pass for seniors of 75. Ms. O'Connell would like buses to travel to senior communities.

Jeffery Tardaguila – Mr. Tardaguila requested 30 seconds of silence for 911. Mr. Tardaguila asked Director Hansen to explain ACT as it relates to Regional Transit. Mr. Tardaguila hopes that everyone is aware of the inconvenience of the broken elevator at Watt/I-80. Mr. Tardaguila noted that he believes there are still issues with the Connect Card.

Crystal McGee Lee – Ms. McGee Lee represents the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU). She noted that SacRT and ATU have been working collaboratively in the past; however, the “good will has not lasted”. Ms. McGee Lee indicated that the morale of the ATU is extremely low due to a statement made by SacRT’s Public Information Office. She noted that ATU also has issues relative to the removal of the “quiet room”. She noted that grievances are up; several of which are going to arbitration and a notified the Board of an impending court case. She was asked to provide this information to the SacRT Board from President Ralph Niz.

Director Nottoli requested information regarding the removal of the quiet room.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Motion: Approval of the Action Summary of August 28, 2017
2. Approving the Fifth Amendment to the Contract for Purchase of Employee Uniforms with Galls, LLC and Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Award a Contract for Purchase of Employee Uniforms (D. Cook/M. Lonergan)
  - A. Resolution: Approving the Fifth Amendment to the Contract for Purchase

of Employee Uniforms with Galls, LLC; and

- B. Resolution: Delegating Authority to the General Manager/CEO to Award a Contract for Purchase of Employee Uniforms
3. Amending and Restating Retirement Plan Documents (O. Sanchez-Ochoa)
- A. Resolution: Adopting the Amended and Restated Plan Document for the Retirement Plan for Regional Transit Employees Who Are Members of the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 256; and
  - B. Resolution: Adopting the Amended and Restated Plan Document for the Retirement Plan Between the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1245, AFL-CIO and Sacramento Regional Transit District; and
  - C. Resolution: Adopting the Amended and Restated Plan Document for the Sacramento Regional Transit District Retirement Plan for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, Administrative Employees Association and Non-Represented Employees
4. Resolution: Authorizing Travel Outside of the United States for Colleen Elder, Material Management Superintendent and Kerry Kopp, Light Rail Trainer, to Calgary Transit, Alberta Canada to Inspect and Discuss Excess Inventory for the Siemens U2 Light Rail Vehicles (M. Lonergan)
5. Resolution: Declaring SacRT's Accrued Low Carbon Fuel Standards (LCFS) Carbon Credits and Renewable Identification Number (RIN) Credits Surplus Property Pursuant to Chapter 2 of SacRT's Procurement Ordinance and Authorizing the General Manager/CEO to Dispose of the Surplus RINs and LCFSs Credits (P. Selenis/B. Bernegger)
6. Resolution: Approving a Second Amendment to the Contract for Downtown Riverfront Streetcar Design Services with HDR, Inc. (D. Abansado/N. Nance)

**ACTION: APPROVED - Director Miller moved; Director Hansen seconded approval of the consent calendar as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Jennings and Schenirer.**

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

- 7. General Manager's Report
  - a. Government Affairs Update
  - b. Districtwide Performance Update
    - 1) Route Optimization Study Update
    - 2) Title VI Fare Equity Analysis - 90-Minute Fare/Connect Card and

Maximum Daily Fare Update

c. RT Meeting Calendar

Henry Li provided an update on the Route Optimization Study as depicted in his written report.

Mr. Li noted that there have been several service disruptions the last week of August and that staff has created a process to address these issues as quickly as possible.

Mr. Li noted that SacRT has submitted 4 grant applications as it relates to: 1) the critical need to replace the aging CNG compressors at our BMF1 fueling facility; 2) the Watt/I-80 Bus Transit Center relocation and route modification application which is focused to create a safe, clean and secure environment by eliminating the Watt/I-80 Blue Line transfer center and creating a new transfer center adjacent to the Roseville Road Light Rail Station; 3) the Neighborhood Bus circulator expansion application which includes the purchase of 21 buses to expand service into the following underserved areas: (1) Orangevale City Ride Route; (2) Carmichael/East Arden City Ride Route; (3) Arden-Arcade City Ride Route; (4) Downtown Sacramento Shuttle Route; (5) North Natomas City Ride Route; (6) South Sacramento City Ride; (7) Rancho Cordova; (8) South Sacramento West City ride; and 4) the final application which involves the rehabilitation of the BMF2 facility into an operational maintenance center to accommodate future expansion of fleet, up to 125 buses, eliminate possible delays in transit service, and provide an emergency backup location for all bus maintenance.

Mr. Li introduced the selection of Chris Flores – Special Assistant to the General Manager/CEO who will start with SacRT on October 9, 2017.

Lieutenant Hinz thanked SacRT for supporting Deputy French's funeral in decorating the SacRT buses with a blue ribbon. Doug Cook, SacRT's, Director of Transportation and his wife decorated the buses. Lt. Hinz noted that there are 51 transit agents and 7 transit officers, 1 superintendent, and 3 supervisors. There are 28 agents assigned to 14 light rail stations, 23 agents assigned to trains, and 6 agents starting on September 18<sup>th</sup>. 75% of the a.m. commutes and 80% of the p.m. commute are covered. There are 4 key stations covered on event nights with transit agents and police officers (Sunrise, Franklin, Watt/Manlove and Roseville Road). Transit agents are quickly moved into place when bus bridges are necessary providing our passengers with information about what is happening. To increase safety on the light rail trains, transit agents are picking up large trash items such as newspapers.

Lt. Hinz noted that on September 4<sup>th</sup>, at the Zinfandel Station, a mother boarded a train and her child did not follow her on to the train. The Security Operations Center (SOC) was immediately notified able to use the P.A. system to alert passengers at the station that a child had been lost. The SOC asked patrons to help secure the child and call the operations center and provided the phone number. The child was found and reunited with its mother.

Director Serna inquired as to whether SacRT could have a program that rewards good behavior (going above and beyond) for their riders, much like a prior program that the California Highway Patrol used. Henry Li indicated that this could be considered during our ridership campaign.

Speaker: Arthur Ketterling

## **INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS**

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

8. Resolution: Approving the Fifth Amendment to the Contract for Operational Assessment and Implementation of Recommendations for Cost Reduction and Revenue Growth Services with Douglas Carter and MBO Partners, Inc. (L. Ham)

**ACTION: APPROVED – Chair Morin moved; Director Hume seconded approval of the item as written. Motion was carried by voice vote. Absent: Directors Jennings and Schenirer.**

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

9. Information: Updating Peer Agencies List for Comparison for Best Practices (D. Goldman/B. Bernegger)

Director Budge suggested using a combination of agencies (inside and outside California) for peer comparisons. Brent Bernegger explained that the list of peer agencies provided is being used for budgetary purposes only since California has such unique laws (i.e. for liability, payroll and workers' compensation purposes).

Director Hume and Budge wanted to know how San Diego is getting such a great fare recovery ratio. Director Budge indicated that the San Diego system was funded by legislation many years ago. Director Budge indicated that staff should look back at that legislation to see if there is any type of ongoing funding that was imbedded in that legislation that may give San Diego extra money from the State.

**ACTION: NONE - Oral Presentation by Brent Bernegger.**

10. Information: Sacramento Regional Transit Ridership Campaign (D. Selenis)

Devra Selenis noted that the campaign will start at the end of September. The goal of the campaign is to bring awareness of the significant role that transit plays in day to day life. The campaign is focused on creating a community of public supporters. The theme "PaRT of Life" will feature different messages about the benefits of transit with a

focus on SacRT. The media plan will include a mix of earned, owned and paid media.

Director Hansen believes that additional funds are needed to promote this campaign.

Director Budge would like to see part of the campaign focus on ease of access (connectivity) to SacRT.

**ACTION: NONE - Oral Presentation by Devra Selenis.**

**REPORTS, IDEAS AND QUESTIONS FROM DIRECTORS, AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC ADDRESSES BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (If Necessary)**

**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 6:23 p.m.

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ANDREW J. MORIN, Chair

A T T E S T:

HENRY LI, Secretary

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