

RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY  
Board of Directors  
Minutes of Meeting No. 2006-4A  
Regular Meeting  
April 27, 2006

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Fox called the regular meeting of the Riverside Transit Agency Board of Directors to order at 2:00 p.m., on Thursday, April 27, 2006, in the RTA Board Room, 1825 Third Street, Riverside, CA.

Chairman Fox recognized Councilmember Maryann Edwards from the City of Temecula representing Director Comerchero.

Present:

1. Brenda Salas, City of Banning
2. Jeff Fox, City of Beaumont
3. John Chlebnik, City of Calimesa
4. Frank Kessler, City of Canyon Lake
5. Karen Spiegel, City of Corona
6. Roger Meadows, City of Hemet
7. Daryl Hickman, City of Lake Elsinore
8. Bonnie Flickinger, City of Moreno Valley
9. Doug McAllister, City of Murrieta
10. Frank Hall, City of Norco
11. John Motte, City of Perris
12. Dom Betro, City of Riverside
13. Bob Buster, County of Riverside, District I
14. John Tavaglione, County of Riverside, District II
15. <sup>1</sup>Jim Ayres, City of San Jacinto
16. <sup>2</sup>Maryann Edwards, City of Temecula
17. <sup>3</sup>Ron Roberts, County of Riverside, District III

Absent:

Marion Ashley, County of Riverside, Dist. V

**2. SELF-INTRODUCTIONS**

Self-introductions of those in attendance took place.

**3. FLAG SALUTE**

Director Salas led the attendees in the flag salute.

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<sup>1</sup>Alternate for Director Dale Stubblefield, City of San Jacinto

<sup>2</sup>Alternate for Director Jeff Comerchero, City of Temecula

<sup>3</sup>Alternate for Director Jeff Stone, County of Riverside, District III

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Director Betro arrived at the meeting during public comments.

Mr. Ken Willits from Inland Regional Center commented that since the transition in paratransit services contractor, the complaints from their consumers have decreased. Mr. Willits also commented that since the change, consumers that travel long distances are now subject to a transfer point or drop off point. Prior to the change in contractors, consumers were receiving curb to curb service and now they are not. Mr. Rubio responded that staff would be in contact with him to discuss his concerns.

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

**- WRCOG INTERREGIONAL PARTNERSHIP**

Mr. Kevin Viera, Program Manager for Western Riverside Council of Governments, presented an overview of the Interregional Partnership between agencies from San Diego and Riverside Counties.

Directors Buster and Chlebnik arrived at the meeting during presentations.

**- BRE PROPERTIES**

Mr. Mark Stanley, Director of Planning introduced Ken France, Division Vice President of Development for BRE Properties, Inc. Mr. France presented an overview of their organization.

Mr. Craig Swanson, Director of Land Acquisitions presented information regarding their plans to redevelop 52 acres adjacent to the Metrolink station at the Riverside Marketplace that would include the new Riverside Transit Center.

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 23, 2006, BOARD MEETING**

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SPIEGEL) approving the March 23, 2006, Board meeting minutes. The motion carried with 16 affirmative votes and one abstention (EDWARDS.)

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item A – RTA Financial Profile – March 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item B – Ridership Report – March 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item C – Personnel Report – March 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item D – Transportation Center Report – March 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item E – On Time Performance Report – March 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item F – Board Budget and Administration Committee Meeting – 4/5/06 Draft Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item G – Transportation NOW Meetings' Attendees – January – March 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item H – Agency Credit Card Statement for March. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item I – Cash Flow Projections. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item J – Quarterly Performance Standards – Period Ending 3/31/06. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving the receipt and file of item K – Investment Report – Period Ending 3/31/06. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving item L – Authorization for Travel to Attend the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Financial Management Oversight Seminar in Kansas City, Missouri, on June 7-8, 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving item M – Authorization for Travel to Attend the National Transit Institute's (NTI) Workshop on Managing the Cost of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Paratransit Services In Kansas City, MO on May 9-10, 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (FLICKINGER/SALAS) approving item N – Recommendation – Approval of Resolution Designating the Director of Human Resources as a Duly Authorized Official to Make Applications for Disability Retirement on Behalf of Riverside Transit Agency. The motion carried unanimously.

**8. FAREBOX RECOVERY RATIO REPORT – PERIOD ENDING 3/31/06**

Mr. Craig Fajnor, Chief Financial Officer, presented a status of the Agency's farebox recovery ratio for period ending March 31, 2006.

**9. PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (PIP) REPORT**

Mr. Fajnor presented the Productivity Improvement Program Report for the month of March.

**10. MODIFICATION TO SECTION III, BOARD OFFICERS, PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

M/S/C (KESSLER/TAVAGLIONE) approving modifications to the Procedures of the Board of Directors, Section III, OFFICERS, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

**11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND REMARKS**

Director McAllister presented the Board with a plaque from Vista Murrieta High School's Band in recognition of the Superbus donation.

Director Flickinger suggested that the Procedures of the Board of Directors be updated to change the titles of Board Officers to Chair. Chairman Fox replied that this item would be agendaized to be presented to the Board at a future meeting.

**12. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Rubio introduced Mr. Mark Stanley, Director of Planning and gave a brief description of his background.

Mr. Rubio announced that United Way recently recognized RTA for being in their top 20 donors during the 2005 fundraising campaign. The Agency was presented with some plaques in appreciation of the contributions.

Mr. Rubio also announced that the American Public Transportation Association's International Bus Roadeo would be held on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> and invited the Board members to attend.

Chairman Fox announced that the American Planning Association will be honoring the following:

- Director Marion Ashley will receive the "Distinguished Service Award" for long-term support for the planning aspect of development and work in continually nudging his fellow electeds towards "Best Practices" regarding transportation planning, including transit.
- WRCOG will receive two "Outstanding Planning Awards" for the TUMF program and for a video on future streetscapes in the Inland Empire that shows how the area will look with high density, transit friendly development.
- Riverside County will receive an "Outstanding Planning Award" for their General Plan update.

Chairman Fox congratulated the award recipients.

**13. NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the RTA Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., in the RTA Board Room, at 1825 Third Street, Riverside, CA.

**14. CLOSED SESSION: PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6 TO MEET WITH RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE LARRY RUBIO REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION, LOCAL 1277, REPRESENTING THE COACH OPERATORS AND MECHANICS**

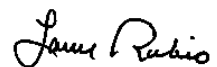
General Counsel Smart announced that the meeting will not reconvene to Open Session.

The Board members, General Counsel Smart, and Mr. Rubio went into Closed Session at 2:57 p.m.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 2:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Larry Rubio  
Chief Executive Officer



Maricela Hernandez  
Clerk of the Board

ATTENDANCE SHEET

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>
1. LARRY RUBIO	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
2. KENNARD R. SMART, JR.	AGENCY GENERAL COUNSEL
3. TOM FRANKLIN	CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER
4. CRAIG FAJNOR	CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER
5. MARK STANLEY	DIRECTOR OF PLANNING
6. LAURA MURILLO	DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES
7. SCOTT RICHARDSON	DIRECTOR OF MARKETING
8. NICK BURRIE	DIRECTOR OF MAINTENANCE
9. RICK KACZEROWSKI	DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES
10. MARICELA HERNANDEZ	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/CLERK OF THE BOARD
11. CHRISTOPHER GALLANES	PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS AND REPORTING MANAGER
12. BEVERLY SMITH	CONTROLLER
13. VALERIE KELLY	OPERATIONS MANAGER
14. MARY ARDEN	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CLERK OF BOARD
15. BRAD WEAVER	COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST
16. NATALIE GOMEZ	COMMUNITY RELATIONS SPECIALIST
17. LINDA KELLER	CONTRACT OPERATIONS FIELD ADMINISTRATOR
18. MILA NELSON	PLANNING ANALYST
19. LORELLE MOE	PLANNING ANALYST
20. JOAN HEPWORTH	SENIOR SECRETARY
21. MIKE MCCOY	SENIOR PLANNER
22. VIREN SHAH	CITY OF CORONA
23. PAT FOSTER	MCDONALD TRANSIT
24. ERIC BASSELL	CALTRANS DISTRICT A
25. KEN WILLITS	INLAND REGIONAL CENTER
26. KEN FRANCE	BRE PROPERTIES
27. CRAIG SWANSON	BRE PROPERTIES
28. KEVIN VIERA	WRCOG
29. MR. AND MRS. CAMPBELL	RTA RIDERS

RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY  
Board of Directors  
Minutes of Special Meeting No. 2006-5A  
May 15, 2006

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Fox called the special meeting of the Riverside Transit Agency Board of Directors to order at 10:08 a.m., on Monday, May 15, 2006, in the RTA Board Room, 1825 Third Street, Riverside, CA.

Present:

1. Jeff Fox, City of Beaumont
2. John Chlebnik, City of Calimesa
3. Frank Kessler, City of Canyon Lake
4. Daryl Hickman, City of Lake Elsinore
5. Frank Hall, City of Norco
6. John Motte, City of Perris
7. <sup>1</sup>Eugene Montanez, City of Corona
8. <sup>2</sup>Dave Stahovich, County of Riverside, Dist. I
9. <sup>3</sup>Andrea Puga, County of Riverside, Dist. II
10. <sup>4</sup>Ron Roberts, County of Riverside, Dist. III
11. <sup>5</sup>Jaime Hurtado, County of Riverside, Dist. V

Absent:

- Brenda Salas, City of Banning  
Roger Meadows, City of Hemet  
Bonnie Flickinger, City of Moreno Valley  
Doug McAllister, City of Murrieta  
Dom Betro, City of Riverside  
Dale Stubblefield, City of San Jacinto  
Jeff Comerchero, City of Temecula

**2. SELF-INTRODUCTIONS**

Self-introductions of those in attendance took place.

**3. FLAG SALUTE**

The clerk of the board led the attendees in the flag salute

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

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<sup>1</sup>Alternate for Director Karen Spiegel, City of Corona

<sup>2</sup>Alternate for Director Bob Buster, County of Riverside, District I

<sup>3</sup>Alternate for Director John Tavaglione, County of Riverside, District II

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5. **CLOSED SESSION: PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6 TO MEET WITH RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE LARRY RUBIO REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION, LOCAL 1277, REPRESENTING THE COACH OPERATORS AND MECHANICS**

The Board of Directors went into Closed Session at 10:10 a.m.

The meeting returned to Open Session at 11:11 a.m.

M/S/C (KESSLER/HICKMAN) as to the following:

- The Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) Board of Directors strongly believes that the RTA's offer to settle the negotiations with the Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1277, representing coach operators and mechanics, for a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is fair and reasonable for the RTA's coach operators and mechanics, RTA's passengers, and the tax paying public.
- The Board of Directors supports the offer presented by RTA's representatives to the ATU, Local 1277 representatives in a negotiation meeting on May 10, 2006, with a mediator with the State Conciliation Service, subject to the following change:
  - The offer of retroactive application of the wage increase adjustments to September 1, 2005, is subject to the requirement that there be no strike by the employees. In the event there is a strike, then there shall be no retroactive application of any wage adjustments.

The motion carried unanimously.

Director Kessler commented that he hopes the labor negotiations are resolved soon. He said that he has been in local government for 50 years, and has never been associated with an organization with such dedicated and professional employees such as those at RTA. He also said that he attends all Agency related functions because of the highest respect and admiration he has for the staff. RTA's employees are the finest I have been around in my 50 years in local government. I really hope that this issue can be resolved so that everyone can continue operating.

Chairman Fox commented that the offer that was given to the union membership is a fair offer. It troubles me that the members have not had the opportunity to vote on the offer. I feel the same way as Director Kessler, because when I first came to RTA, I was treated as family from day one. Sometimes when there are gatherings, you find me sitting with drivers and mechanics because I really feel like I am at home when I am around them. The job of the Board of Directors is to protect ridership, taxpayers, and also to protect the RTA family. I really hope that this issue can be resolved in a timely manner.

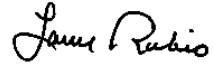
Alternate Puga commented that having been a former Chairwoman of RTA, she feels that everyone at RTA is like family. This would be the first strike for RTA and I just hope that the mechanics and drivers have the opportunity to make a decision.

Alternate Stahovich echoed Ms. Puga's comments and said that the RTA's Board and management have heard from employees and family members loud and clear. I just hope that the union can listen as clearly.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Executive Officer



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