

RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY
Board of Directors
Minutes of Meeting No. 2006-5B
Regular Meeting
May 25, 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, May 25, 2006, in the RTA Board Room, 1825 Third Street, Riverside, CA.

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. Jeff Comerchero, City of Temecula
14. Bob Buster, County of Riverside, District I
- 15.¹Donna Johnston, County of Riverside, District II
- 16.²Patty Goodwin, County of Riverside, District V

Absent:

- Dale Stubblefield, City of San Jacinto
Jeff Stone, County of Riverside, Dist. III

2. SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

Self-introductions of those in attendance took place.

3. FLAG SALUTE

Director Hall led the attendees in the flag salute.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS

The clerk of the Board announced that there were no public comments.

¹Alternate for Director John Tavaglione, County of Riverside, District III

²Alternate for Director Marion Ashley, County of Riverside, District V

5. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT PUBLIC COMMENTS UPDATE – INLAND REGIONAL CENTER

Mr. Rubio reported that at last month's Board meeting, Mr. Ken Willits, Inland Regional Center (IRC) voiced several concerns regarding the RTA's DAR transfer policy, and its impact on IRC clients.

Staff met with Mr. Willits to review his concerns. Staff explained that the RTA transfer policy has been in place for many years.

Mr. Willits was very appreciative of staff taking the time and effort to assist IRC staff and their clients. Mr. Willits indicated that IRC will absorb the transportation requirements for those few clients that would require a transfer.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APRIL 27, 2006, REGULAR MEETING AND MAY 15, 2006, SPECIAL MEETING

M/S/C (MEADOWS/COMERCHERO) approving the April 27, 2006, and May 15, 2006, Board meeting minutes. The motion to approve the April 27th minutes carried with 11 affirmative votes and one abstention (GOODWIN). The motion to approve the May 15th minutes carried with 10 affirmative votes and two abstentions (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER).

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

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

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

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

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

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

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving the receipt and file of item F – Board Budget and Administration Committee Meeting – 5/3/06 Draft Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving the receipt and file of item G – Board Operations Committee Meeting – 5/3/06 Draft Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving the receipt and file of item H – ADA Committee Meeting – 5/4/06 Minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

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

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

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving the receipt and file of item K – Productivity Improvement Program (PIP) Report. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving the receipt and file of item L – Fiscal Year 2006 Year To Date Farebox Recovery Ratio Status. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving item M – Authorization for Travel to Attend the American Public Transportation Association's (APTA) Transit Board Members Seminar and Board Support Workshop. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving item N – Authorization to Exercise Option Year One of Agreement 5-007 with Network Paratransit System, Inc., (Network Paratransit) for the Agency's Taxi Overflow Services Program. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving item O – Authorization to Award Agreement No. 6-001 to Marsh Risk & Insurance Services (Marsh) for the Agency's Insurance Brokerage and Consulting Services. The motion carried unanimously.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/FLICKINGER) approving item P – Authorization to Award Agreement No. 6-003 to Southern Counties Oil Company for the Agency's Unleaded Fuel and Lubricant Requirements. The motion carried unanimously.

8. FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) SECTION 5311(f) PUBLIC HEARING

Director McAlister arrived at the meeting during discussion of item 8.

M/S/C (HALL/GOODWIN) authorizing the holding of a public hearing at the Mead Valley Community Center on May 30, 2006, for the purpose of receiving comments on the Agency's FY2006/2007 Section 5311(f) grant application. The motion carried unanimously.

9. CAPITAL GRANTS' STATUS

Director Buster arrived at the meeting during discussion of item 9.

Mr. Fajnor presented a status of capital grants.

10. REQUEST TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2007 OPERATING BUDGET, CAPITAL BUDGET, AND SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN (SRTP)

Mr. Craig Fajnor, Chief Financial Officer, presented an overview of the proposed Operating and Capital Budget and SRTP for Fiscal Year 2007.

M/S/C (GOODWIN/CHLEBNIK) authorizing the following:

- Open public hearing on the fiscal year 2007 operating budget, capital improvement budget, and SRTP, and continue this item to the June 22, 2006, Board of Directors Meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND REMARKS

Chairman Fox commented that there have been instances where a quorum has not been present at Committee meetings. Chairman Fox requested that Board members or their alternates contact the clerk of the Board if they are not able to attend scheduled Committee meetings.

Director Spiegel suggested that Board members also contact the clerk of the Board if they know they are going to be late to a meeting.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Rubio made the following announcements:

- Please join me in congratulating Jiles Smith, Risk Manager, who has been appointed by the Governor as one of the Commissioners of the California Workers' Compensation Fraud Assessment Commission. The Fraud Assessment Commission is comprised of seven members appointed by the Governor that determine the level of funding necessary for the Department of Insurance and the state district attorneys to investigate and prosecute workers' comp fraud. Jiles is being honored on June 9th at the Mission Inn, 5:30-7:30 pm. The Board has been invited to this event.
- Over the past month, ridership on CommuterLink Route 206 has grown roughly 60 percent, prompting us to add a second bus to the route to accommodate the rising number of afternoon passengers departing to the Temecula area from the Corona Metrolink station. People were standing in the aisles, sitting in the steps, which was becoming an unsafe situation. Appropriate measures were taken to get those passengers safely from the Metrolink Station to Temecula. We need to thank Ron Roberts, who brought the matter to the Agency's attention.
- This Memorial Day, RTA will join transit agencies across the nation to honor the servicemen and women who died in military for their country.

RTA is participating in the national Moment of Remembrance on Monday, May 29th by issuing public service announcements, displaying special messages on its website, and handing out Memorial Day stickers to passengers.

The campaign is meant to bring more awareness to the holiday. Sadly, not many people know the true meaning of Memorial Day. A recent Gallup Poll revealed that less than one in three Americans know the meaning of the holiday.

Director Betro and Alternate Johnston arrived at the meeting during announcements.

- Ethics' Training, as required by AB1234 will be held on June 9th, 9-11 am, at RTA. Please let Mari Hernandez know if you would like to attend.

Director Salas announced that she recently completed all her course work in the Masters Program in Business, and will be graduating on Saturday, May 27th.

Chairman Fox announced that the City of Beaumont will be celebrating Memorial Day with a Veterans' Memorial which lists the names of service men and women who were lost in the past year. The event starts at 11 am and everyone is welcome to attend.

Chairman Fox also invited everyone to attend the Cherry Festival being held June 1-4, 2006.

Director Flickinger inquired if RTA will be participating in the American Public Transportation Association's, Dump the Pump Day, to be held on June 8th. Mr. Rubio reported that information regarding this event will be distributed.

13. **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the RTA Board of Directors is scheduled for Thursday, June 22, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., in the RTA Board Room, at 1825 Third Street, Riverside, CA.

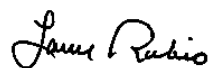
14. **CLOSED SESSION: PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6 TO MEET WITH RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE LARRY RUBIO REGARDING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION, LOCAL 1277, REPRESENTING THE COACH OPERATORS AND MECHANICS**

The Board of Directors went into Closed Session at 2:23 p.m.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 2:23 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. VINCE ROUZAUD	DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING AND MATERIALS MGMT.
11. MARICELA HERNANDEZ	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT/CLERK OF THE BOARD
12. CHRISTOPHER GALLANES	PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS AND REPORTING MANAGER
13. BEVERLY SMITH	CONTROLLER
14. VALERIE KELLY	OPERATIONS MANAGER
15. VIRGINIA WERLY	CONTRACT OPERATIONS MANAGER
16. JILES SMITH	RISK MANAGER
17. NATALIE ZARAGOZA	CONTRACTS ADMINISTRATOR
18. MARY ARDEN	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/DEPUTY CLERK OF BOARD
19. BRAD WEAVER	COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST
20. NATALIE GOMEZ	COMMUNITY RELATIONS SPECIALIST
21. LINDA KELLER	CONTRACT OPERATIONS FIELD ADMINISTRATOR
22. MILA NELSON	PLANNING ANALYST
23. LORELLE MOE	PLANNING ANALYST
24. JOAN HEPWORTH	SENIOR SECRETARY
25. MIKE MCCOY	SENIOR PLANNER
26. TANYA LOVE	RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
27. VIREN SHAH	CITY OF CORONA
28. PHIL PITCHFORD	THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE
29. MRS. AMY HICKMAN	LAKE ELSINORE RESIDENT
30. MR. AND MRS. CAMPBELL	RTA RIDERS