

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hall called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., on January 10, 2007, in the RTA Board Room:

2. SELF-INTRODUCTIONS:

Self-introductions of those in attendance took place.

Committee Members:

1. Chairman Frank Hall, City of Norco Mayor Pro Tem
2. First Vice Chairman Frank Kessler, City of Canyon Lake Councilmember
3. Director Jeff Fox, City of Beaumont Mayor
4. Director Daryl Hickman, City of Lake Elsinore Councilmember
5. Director Bonnie Flickinger, City of Moreno Valley Councilmember
6. Director John Motte, City of Perris Councilmember
7. Mr. Jim Potts, City of San Jacinto Treasurer

RTA Staff:

1. Larry Rubio, Chief Executive Officer
2. Tom Franklin, Chief Operating Officer
3. Craig Fajnor, Chief Financial Officer
4. Vince Rouzaud, Chief Procurement and Logistics Officer
5. Mark Stanley, Director of Planning
6. Scott Richardson, Director of Marketing
7. Maricela Hernandez, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board

Other Attendees:

None.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

None.

Chairman Hall announced that an item has come to the attention of Agency staff within the last 72 hours (since the agenda was posted). For this item to be considered, action will be required by the Board Committee members.

M/S/C (FOX/HICKMAN) to consider an item of urgency that arose within the last 72 hours not listed on the agenda for this meeting. The motion carried unanimously authorizing the addition of item 7.5 to the agenda covering the Authorization to Open Public Hearing for Route 50 Service Modifications.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – DECEMBER 6, 2006, COMMITTEE MEETING:

M/S/C (FOX/MOTTE) approving the minutes of the December 6, 2006, Committee meeting. The motion carried with five affirmative votes and two abstentions (FLICKINGER/POTTS).

5. PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (PIP) REPORT:

Mr. Fajnor presented the Productivity Improvement Program (PIP) report.

6. EXEMPTIONS TO THE FAREBOX RECOVERY REQUIREMENT, SECTION 99268.8:

Mr. Stanley presented clarification on the exemption of new service from meeting farebox requirements under Transportation Development Act (TDA).

Director Buster arrived at the meeting during discussion of Item 6.

Chairman Hall thanked Mr. Stanley for having prepared correspondence to Caltrans which prompted this decision. This information will be provided to the California Transit Association to be distributed to all other transit properties.

7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP AND FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) INTEREST IN THREE (3), MODEL YEAR 2003 SPECIALITY VEHICLE TROLLEY COACHES FROM OMNITRANS TO THE RIVERSIDE TRANSIT AGENCY:
Chairman Hall reported that this item was being pulled from the Agenda at the request of staff.

7.5 AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR ROUTE 50 SERVICE MODIFICATIONS:
M/S/C (FOX/FLICKINGER) approving and recommending this item to the full Board of Directors for their consideration as follows:

- Authorize staff to open public hearing for the modification of Route 50, Jury Trolley Service.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS AND REMARKS:

Director Buster commented that Dr. John Husing's presentation to the Board last month was very informative.

Director Motte inquired as to why farebox recovery ratio listed on Productivity Improvement Program report is not broken down by route. Mr. Rubio replied that the reason is that RTA takes AB813 exemptions to farebox recovery ratio and adds interest income and other sources of income that cannot be identified by route; a blended rate by mode of transportation is listed at the bottom of each page and system total is listed. Director Motte said that if all the criteria are being met why routes have to be eliminated. Mr. Rubio said that the criteria are being met today, but as staff continues to look into the future and costs continue to rise, criteria will probably not continue to be met to the same degree. A more thorough analysis will be included in the Comprehensive Operational Analysis that will be presented to the Board in April. If these routes can be sustained, staff would recommend that they not be eliminated.

Chairman Hall commented that there are a couple of conflicts with dates for Committee meetings. The March meeting conflicts with the lobbying trip to Washington, DC, so that meeting will be rescheduled to March 14th. The clerk of the Board will poll the members to ensure there is a quorum. In July, the meeting falls on the 4th, so it will be rescheduled to July 11th. The clerk of the Board will send confirmation of these meetings.

9. OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr. Rubio announced that the transportation services RTA provided for President Ford's funeral went very well. The coach operators were all professionally dressed and took a lot of pride in their responsibilities. The buses looked immaculate. Numerous comments were received from the Secret Service saying that RTA stood above the other transit properties. Special packages will be prepared for the operators with memorabilia from the event. Between 3:00 and 7:00 am approximately 650 passengers were transported.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.