

REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARIN COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS HELD
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2006, AT 9:08 A.M.

Roll Call

Present: Director McGlashan; Director Heller; Director Brown; Director Kinsey; Director Murray;
Director Adams

Absent: Director Albritton; Director Swanson

1a. OPEN TIME

Two members of the public expressed concern regarding the reduction in service on bus Route #29 from San Anselmo to San Rafael.

(Director Albritton present at 9:14 a.m.)

Directors and staff spoke briefly regarding a process to get bus drivers' input earlier in the scheduling process.

Directors requested that staff report to the Board on a future agenda regarding transit system and route performance and present information on the process for bus service planning and schedule setting, and the youth pass and student ticket programs.

1b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

M/s Director Murray - Director Albritton to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 26, 2006, as presented.

Vote: Motion carried 7-0

AYES: Director McGlashan, Director Heller, Director Brown, Director Kinsey, Director Albritton,
Director Murray, Director Adams.

ABSENT: Director Swanson

1c. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MATTERS

Transit District General Manager

In response to a question from Director Murray regarding the recruitment for General Manager, Transit Planning Manager Amy Van Doren advised that the search for a General Manager had been suspended and a subcommittee has been formed to review this issue.

(Director Brown absent at 9:23 a.m.)

Employee Vanpools

In response to a question from Director Murray, General Manager Farhad Mansourian advised that the issue of establishing employee vanpools would be heard by the Marin County Board of Supervisors.

Name Your Transit District

In response to a question from Director Heller, Transit Planning Manager Amy Van Doren advised that a report regarding the "Name Your Transit District" contest will be brought to the Board at a later date.

(Director Brown returned at 9:25 a.m.)

1d. TRANSIT PLANNING MANAGER'S ORAL REPORT

Local Bus Changes

Ms. Van Doren submitted a listing of schedule changes for the local bus system operated by Golden Gate Transit to begin on December 10, 2006.

West Marin Stagecoach Re-Routing

Ms. Van Doren reported on route changes to the West Marin Stagecoach due to the closure of portions of Highway 1 and commented on efforts to share this information with the affected communities.

Changes to Route 233

Ms. Van Doren reported that changes to Shuttle Route 233 serving Santa Venetia are in place that allow additional service to be provided to San Rafael High School in the afternoon while maintaining service into the commute hours.

Marinwood Shuttle

Ms. Van Doren advised that approval has been received from the City of San Rafael to proceed with proposed expansions to the Marinwood-Terra Linda Shuttle Route 259.

Muir Woods Shuttle

Director Kinsey commented that the Muir Woods Shuttle demonstration project has one year remaining and requested that staff look into bringing the shuttle into the West Marin Stagecoach system when the demonstration project is ended. The first step will be a presentation on the Muir Woods Shuttle to the MCTD Board.

Reporting

Board members requested that staff begin reporting data to the Board in a similar way to the Golden Gate Transit District to allow the Board to review statistics for such things as ridership and fare box recovery.

Marketing Strategies

Board members commented on the importance of utilizing various marketing strategies and working with the community to maximize the use of transit services.

Ride and Roll Program

Directors and staff discussed the previous Ride and Roll program, which provided free fares for students attending participating middle and high schools.

1e. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FEDERAL FUNDING WITH THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

By letter dated November 14, 2006, Transit Planning Manager Amy Van Doren submitted her report and recommendations regarding the above-captioned matter.

Ms. Van Doren noted that the resolution should be revised to add language in the 5th paragraph regarding Section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act of 1964.

M/s Director Kinsey - Director Albritton to adopt Resolution No. 2006-03, authorizing Federal funding under Federal Transit Act ("FTA") Section 5311 with California Department of Transportation.

Vote: Motion carried 7-0
AYES: Director McGlashan, Director Heller, Director Brown, Director Kinsey, Director Albritton, Director Murray, Director Adams.
ABSENT: Director Swanson

1f. AGREEMENT WITH IBI GROUP TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON ENHANCED TAXI SERVICES FOR SOCIAL SERVICE AND PUBLIC PARATRANSIT PROGRAMS

By letter dated November 14, 2006, Transit Planning Manager Amy Van Doren submitted her report and recommendations regarding the above-captioned matter.

M/s Director Kinsey - Director Murray to authorize President to execute agreement with IBI Group, in the amount of \$79,826, to conduct a study on enhanced taxi services for social service and public paratransit programs for Marin County residents.

Director Murray requested that the consultants look at the possibility of taxis operating similarly to a shuttle service for multiple riders at set times.

Director Adams commented on the importance of training for cab drivers who will be assisting disabled persons and requested more clarity regarding the relationship between the taxi company and the lead agency.

Vote: Motion carried 7-0
AYES: Director McGlashan, Director Heller, Director Brown, Director Kinsey, Director Albritton, Director Murray, Director Adams.
ABSENT: Director Swanson

The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

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CHAIR

ATTEST:

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