

**CITY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
MASS TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
995 PALM ST.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Denise Martinez called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: D. Gregg Doyle, Susan Rains, Tracey Amundson, Stanley Yucikas,
Margaret Crockett, Christine Batteate, and Denise Martinez

Absent: Kathy Howard

Vacant: Alternate

Staff: John Webster

Julie O'Connor from the City Clerk's office administered the Oath of Office to the new Business representative, Stanley Yucikas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Christine Mulholland, Council rep and Board Member of the Air Pollution District, noted the reported accomplishment of the City's compliance to CARB at 86% was well received by Council. Mr. Webster agreed that Council had been instrumental in supporting the efforts.

A. CONSENT ITEMS

A-1 Approval of March 12, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mr. Doyle moved to approve the slate of minutes as presented.

Ms. Crockett seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

B-1 New Token Design for Adult Center Use

Mr. Webster discussed the \$9000 worth of monthly bus tokens pledged to the Adult Center for their use and distribution. He distributed samples of different token designs and suggested the City's have the SLO Transit logo on one side and the Mission graphic on the other side. He reported that the aluminum version was the least expensive and would serve their purposes.

Mr. Yucikas moved to accept the token recommendations for design and materials as presented by staff.

Ms. Rains seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

C. ACTION ITEMS

C-1. Nomination and Selection of MTC Chair and Vice Chair for FY 2009

Mr. Doyle moved to waive the bylaws to allow nomination of positions at this meeting, as there would be no meeting scheduled within the bylaw specifications.

Ms. Crockett seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Crockett moved to nominate Ms. Rains for Chair.

Mr. Doyle seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Crockett moved to nominate Denise Martinez as Vice Chair.

Mr. Yucikas seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously.

Staff agreed to bring back proposal to amend the bylaws to allow alternate language to allow voting in the May/June timeframe.

D. INFORMATION ITEMS

D-1 Transit Manager's Report

Mr. Webster recapped several points in the report, including:

- Trolley bid was awarded to National Bus Sales and vehicle would arrive within 4-5 months.
- Federal Transit Grant was almost complete and was being reviewed by SLOCOG before going to FTA office.
- SRTP: Next step if for Urbitran to hold public hearings. Noted Cal Poly is looking at some S. Perimeter closures in '09 and re-routing would take place along Grand Ave. Recommendations would be reviewed.
- Bus Stop Improvement Project (Lee Wislon) had been completed under budget, with remaining funds to be used for additional shelters, benches, signs, equipment, etc. to close out the federal grant.
- SLORTA: Still negotiating with MV Transit re performance contract.
- A presentation by City had been made to Ramon Dr. residents regarding the right-of-way at the corner of Foothill/Tassajara. The corridor along Ramona by Palomar was essential, but evening and weekend service had been discontinued in the contested corridor and the summer schedule was soon in place, so there would be no more 6 a.m. runs.
- CTA: transit funding was at risk on budget issues to offset General funds. 08/09 funding seemed intact so far.

Mr. Webster reported that First Transit's Kim Blakeman was recovering from a major stroke and that an intern had been filling in. First Transit was proposing to use an interim GM, Jan Almquist, who used to work at RTA.

D-2 Operating and Performance Reports

Mr. Webster reported that there was a ridership increase in the evening service and numbers had been very good in April – higher than last year.

There was a discussion regarding the existing Efficient Deployment of Advanced Public Transportation System (EDAPTS) Pilot project with the Committee and the concept of “live time signs”, automatic vehicle location software and capabilities etc.

Mr. Yucikas asked for general discussion from Mr. Webster on how the transit system was prepared for emergency situations. Mr. Webster discussed departmental emergency operation training sessions and contractor responsibilities.

Agenda Item A-1 MTC Regular meeting July 9th, 2008 approved July 9th, 2008

E. MEMBER COMMENTS

There were no member comments.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, July 9, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. in the Council Hearing Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Woske, Recording Secretary