

Summary Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Citizens Advisory Members present were P.J. Dhoot, Harvey Riggs, Charles Evans, Mike Meringer, Charles Hogle, Gwen Stitzell and new member Beverli Marshall.

County Connection (CCCTA) Staff present: Marie Knutson, and Mary Burdick

Introductions

Beverli Marshall, the new representative for Martinez, was introduced to the Committee. The Committee introduced themselves and welcomed Ms. Marshall.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes were approved.

Public Comment

A letter from Keith Joseph was presented by staff. Mr. Joseph requested that the CAC meetings be held during the day for easier access. The CAC members acknowledged the request, but decided to keep the same meeting time because many of the members work daytime jobs. The Committee did decide to meet on the first Tuesday of the month, instead of the second Tuesday, so that the Pleasant Hill City Office location could continue to be used. This location also has better accessibility by public transit on the route 9 and 16.

Community Outreach

The Committee discussed the change in the agenda item. Previously, *Community Outreach* was listed as *Goals*. The committee had previously discussed what its goals were, partly focusing on gathering information from riders and noting observations which were reported quarterly to the Board. In an effort to improve the report, observations would be asked for monthly, so that issues needing immediate attention could be addressed and any solutions found could be included in the report.

CAC Phone Line

No messages.

CCCTA Board of Directors Meeting

Ms. Burdick reported that the Board discussed Prop 1B funds which would provide money for security improvements at the CCCTA facility, possibly including new cameras, and employee card access instead of keys. The *Clipper* card was also discussed. County Connection would be included in Phase III to have the universal card accepted on CCCTA buses.

A&F Meeting

Ms. Knutson reported that, according to the agenda, the A&F committee discussed the implementation of the Translink *Clipper* card. The organizational chart for CCCTA was also discussed. Ms. Knutson said she would bring it to the next meeting.

O&S Meeting

The O&S meeting was cancelled.

MP&L Meeting

Mary Burdick reported the MP&L Committee discussed The DVC Opening & Dedication ceremony. She said the MP&L Committee accepted the recommendation for the DVC Student Proposal that would go to the Board. The Committee then discussed the memo that was included in their Information Only section and asked Harvey Riggs to attend the Board meeting. Their message was to emphasize the importance of transit between the San Ramon and Pleasant Hill DVC campuses and that expecting ridership to double in the first year from new ridership was generous. They felt this expected cost should not be passed on to DVC students until proven. Ms. Muzzini, who compiled the report, was not at the CAC meeting to answer questions because the report was listed as information only and not an agenda item.

Ms. Burdick reported on other programs for marketing including “Just One Day A Week” and “Poetry In Motion.”

Old Business

Ms. Knutson reported on the status of the bench that was missing from in front of the Pleasant Hill post office. It was currently listed as a work order but not in place yet.

New Business

Ms. Knutson reported that the 600 routes to schools were back in service and although Mt. Diablo Unified School District had discontinued their school bus service, no new CCCTA service had been added without additional funding. The route 250 was also back in service for St. Mary’s College.

Committee Member Communications

Charles Evans reported that BART had received funds and considered dropping fees. The consensus he heard was that bringing back service was more important to riders.

Community Events

Staff presented events for August.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.

Marie Knutson, Community Relations and CAC Liaison

Date