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Agenda Item No. 4.a.

CCCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

March 19, 2015

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/CONFIRM QUORUM

Chair Dessayer called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 9 a.m. Board Members present were Directors Andersen, Hudson, Manning, Simmons, Storer, Tatzin and Worth. Director Hoffmeister arrived after the meeting convened. Directors Noack and Schroder were absent.

Staff: Ramacier, Chun, Glenn, Allen, Barnes, Barrientos, Bowron, Casenave, Churchill, Dean, Gaston, Hill, Martinez, Mitchell, Moran, Muzzini and Rettig

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Former Board Member, Erling Horn spoke on Board Member Jack Weir's departure from County Connection. He commented on how Director Weir has been a great asset and friend these past few years and brought such dedication to transit.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Director Manning moved approval of the Consent Calendar, consisting of the following items:
(a) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 19, 2015: Director Tatzin seconded the motion and it received the following vote of approval:

Aye: Directors Andersen, Dessayer, Hudson, Manning, Simmons, Storer, Tatzin and Worth

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Director Hoffmeister, Noack and Schroder

REPORT OF CHAIR:

Recognition of Jack Weir for his Service on CCCTA Board of Directors

Chair Dessayer stated that he worked with Jack Weir 40 years ago and that it had been a pleasure to work with him again at County Connection. He has been dedicated to transit and interested in new and exciting things that transit has to offer. Each member of the board expressed gratitude and appreciation and sent their warm wishes to Jack as well.

(Director Hoffmeister arrived.)

Nomination and Election of Board Secretary

Chair Dessayer reported that he had met with the Nominating Committee to review the vacancy for the Board officer position of Secretary. As Laura Hoffmeister would have been the next Secretary next year, the Nominating Committee proposes that she be elected as Secretary this year.

MOTION: Director Dessayer moved approval of Laura Hoffmeister, representing the City of Concord, becoming the new Board Secretary. Director Storer seconded the motion and it received the following vote of approval:

Aye: Directors Andersen, Dessayer, Hoffmeister, Hudson, Manning, Simmons, Storer, Tatzin and Worth
No: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Director Noack and Schroder

Chair Dessayer also stated that an Ad Hoc Committee, consisting of the chairs of all the committees, the Chair and the Vice Chair, will meet to discuss the total compensation of the General Manager, noting that researching data on the total compensation packages for transit general managers has taken a little longer than he had expected. The Ad Hoc Committee will report back to the Board in the near future.

Report on APTA Legislative Conference in Washington, DC

Chair Dessayer stated that this past trip to Washington, DC for the APTA Legislative Conference and meetings with Congressional staff was more complex and difficult to navigate than in the past, given the number of organizations, bureaucracies, laws, directions and focuses of all of those people. Chair Dessayer goal and main message to the 9-10 Congressional offices that he visited was that there needs to be a public transportation budget in place to allow planning for the next 5-6 years.

Vice Chair Storer stated that both Mr. Dessayer and Mr. Ramacier did a great job in letting people in Washington, DC know, who we are and what we are about.

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER:

Recognition of Retiring Employee

Jim Allen-Transportation

Chair Dessayer thanked Jim Allen for his great service and expressed appreciation for all of his hard work.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Administration & Finance Committee

Authorization for the General Manager to Direct Gillig and BAE Systems to Proceed with Detailed Mechanical Design of Walnut Creek Trolley, Resolution No. 2015-024

Authorization for the General Manager to Direct Wave Inc. to Proceed with Inductive Charging Infrastructure Engineering for Walnut Creek and Concord Facilities for Support of the Walnut Creek Electric Trolley Project, Resolution No. 2015-025

Director Tatzin introduced both items to the Board and stated that the A & F Committee is fully committed to alternate fuel vehicles. General Manager Ramacier reported that he has had preliminary discussions with FTA and is optimistic that they will concur with the project approach. Scott Mitchell reported that he has received feedback from Gillig and they don't foresee any holdups to our project. If anything should change or come up, we will definitely go back to the A & F Committee for guidance. After some Board discussion

MOTION: Director Tatzin moved approval of Resolution No. 2015-024, Authorizing the General Manager to Direct Gillig and BAE Systems to Proceed with Detailed Mechanical Design of Walnut Creek Trolleys and Related Actions, and Resolution No. 2015-025, Authorizing the General Manager to Direct Wave Inc. to Proceed with Inductive Charging Infrastructure Engineering for Walnut Creek and Concord Facilities for Support of the Walnut Creek Electric Trolley Project and Related Actions. Both of these actions are subject to approval from the Federal Transit Administration. Director Storer seconded the motion and it received the following vote of approval:

Aye: Directors Andersen, Dessayer, Hoffmeister, Hudson, Manning, Simmons, Storer, Tatzin and Worth
No: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Director Noack and Schroder

BOARD COMMUNICATION: None

CLOSED SESSION:

Conference with Labor Negotiator (pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)

Employee Organizations:

Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1605

Machinist Automotive Trades District Lodge No. 1173

Teamsters Union, Local 856, AFL-CIO, Transit Supervisors

At 9:50 a.m. Chair Dessayer announced that the Board will go into closed session regarding the Employee Organizations: ATU, Local 1605, Machinists Automotive Trades District Lodge No. 1173 and Teamsters Union, Local 856, to confer with the Board's labor negotiator, Pat Glenn.

OPEN SESSION:

A. REPORT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 10:26 a.m. Chair Dessayer announced the Board met in closed with Labor Negotiator, Pat Glenn, and the Board has given further direction. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Dessayer adjourned the regular Board meeting at 10:27 a.m.

Minutes prepared by

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Date