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Agenda Item No. 4.a.

CCCTA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

October 15, 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, Schroder, Simmons, Storer, Tatzin and Worth. Director Hoffmeister arrived after the meeting convened. Director Noack was absent.

Staff: Ramacier, Chun, Barnes, Barrientos, Churchill, Hill, Mitchell, Muzzini, and Rettig.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: Director Tatzin moved approval of the Consent Calendar, consisting of the following items: (a) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 17, 2015; (b) CCCTA Investment Policy-Quarterly Report. Director Hudson seconded the motion and it received the following vote of approval:

Aye: Directors Andersen, Dessayer, Hudson, Manning, Schroder, Simmons, Storer, Tatzin and Worth
No: None
Abstain: Director Worth from Item (a) only
Absent: Directors Hoffmeister and Noack

REPORT OF CHAIR:

Chair Storer stated that he and Director Schroder went to China on a Goodwill tour with 14 Mayors, Vice Mayors and Councilmembers from the Bay Area. He reported that everyone was friendly and the experience was one of a kind. Director Schroder stated that he went to China 27 years ago and it was very different. It was more of an agricultural environment and now it is thriving, the roads were immaculate and transportation was efficient. Chair Storer also wanted to recognize Rashidi Barnes for making the Top 40 under 40 in Transportation, it shows that he is doing a great job and we are proud to have him a part of County Connection.

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER:

Recognition of Employees with 30 Years of Service

Maria Grilho-Transportation

Report on the APTA Conference

General Manager Rick Ramacier stated that the APTA conference this year was in San Francisco; because it was local, staff members were able to attend. One of the main focuses this year was the Reauthorization Bill and the proposed Drive Act, a six year bill that only has a three year funding guarantee. The House is trying very hard to get a Bill done and funded before the end of October but as of right now it does not look promising. Director Dessayer noticed while at APTA this year the one thing that was not mentioned was anything green, nothing about emissions or electric buses or trolleys. This was very interesting considering that last year most topics were about how transit should go green. (Director Hoffmeister arrived.)

Update the Board on County Connection staff interactions regarding Contra Costa Transit Authority's Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) Development and Update on Federal Transportation Reauthorization Activities

General Manager Rick Ramacier stated that the U.S. Senate has passed a Federal Transportation Reauthorization Bill for six years, although only three years are funded; the outcome of this bill in the House is uncertain at this time. The funds depend on tax reform bills and gas taxes. We will continue to receive enough funds to replace our buses. The Senate will continue to push for these bills to be approved this year because next year it will be overshadowed by the Presidential race.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Administration & Finance Committee

Authorize Execution of Amended and Reinstated Clipper Memorandum of Understanding

Director Tatzin introduced the item, Director of Planning, Anne Muzzini explained that the purpose of the amendment is to shift management from MTC to an executive board that includes the transit agencies, and changing the allocation of costs for the Clipper program among the participating agencies. After a brief discussion, a motion was made.

MOTION: Director Dessayer moved approval to adopt Resolution No. 2016-008, Authorize Execution of Amended and Reinstated Clipper Memorandum of Understanding. Director Hudson seconded the motion and it received the following vote of approval:

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

Operating & Scheduling Committee

Leased Tires and Related Services Contract

Director Andersen introduced the item and turned it over to Director of Maintenance, Scott Mitchell. He explained that most transit agencies prefer to lease tires, in order to cut down on costs and make the tire company responsible to replace and maintain the tires.

MOTION: Director Dessayer moved approval to adopt Resolution No. 2016-009, Authorize Award of Contract to The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company for Leased Tires and Related Services, for five years at the guaranteed rates specified in their bid. Director Hudson seconded the motion and it received the following vote of approval:

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

Passenger Suspension/Exclusion Policy

Director Andersen introduced the item and Director of Transportation, Bill Churchill explained that passengers can behave in a way that disrupts service, for example using vulgar and/or racial language towards other passengers and/or the driver. Although we have called the police on these passengers because they are not being violent towards anyone all the police can do is remove them from the bus. We have had a passenger that caused five different delays all in one day. He got removed from one bus and just caught another one. We have come up with a policy with certain behavioral guidelines that passengers must follow and that will give us a way to handle these situations. After some board discussion, the Board asked that the policy go back to the committee for further review to make some changes in the wording and to bring it back to the Board.

BOARD COMMUNICATION: None

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Storer adjourned the regular Board meeting at 10:07 a.m.

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Date