



Minutes

Meeting:	TriMet Board of Directors Regular Board Meeting	Date:	March 23, 2016
		Time:	9:00 a.m.
Presiding:	Bruce Warner	Location:	City of Portland Building 1120 SW Fifth Avenue Auditorium Portland, Oregon 97204
Board Members Present:	Lori Irish Bauman T. Allen Bethel Joe Esmonde Shelley Martin Craig Prosser Bruce Warner	Board Members Absent:	Travis Stovall

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President Warner called the business meeting to order at 9:52 a.m.

1. The following Board Committee Report was provided:

- A. **Committee on Accessible Transportation (CAT)** – Lori Irish Bauman reported that the CAT met on March 16, 2016 and provided highlights:
- Lt. Rachel Andrew provided an update on Transit Police activity and responded to the CAT's questions.
 - Kurt Wilkinson, Director, Safety Management Systems and Environmental Services, provided an overview on TriMet's role in regional emergency preparedness.
 - Dee Brookshire, Executive Director, Finance and Administration, and Nancy Young, Director, Budget and Grants, reviewed the FY17 budget priorities for FY17, which the CAT approved.
 - Dan Bower, Portland Streetcar Executive Director, reported on the proposed closure of five stations. The CAT passed a motion to oppose the closure of the five stops.
 - Susan Florentino, Manager, LIFT Service Delivery, reviewed LIFT Operations performance for the second quarter.
- B. **Transit Equity Advisory Committee (TEAC)** – T. Allen Bethel reported that the committee met on March 17th and provided input on community outreach for TriMet's Title VI program. The committee is developing a more formal workplan for TEAC for the year ahead.

- C. **Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC)** – Craig Prosser reported that the committee met on March 9, 2016 and received updates on current projects.
- D. **Finance and Audit Committee** – Director Prosser reported that the Committee met this morning and received updates on: 1) Internal Audit Report; 2) Budget Update; and 3) Strategic Financial Plan / Budget Assessment.

2. General Manager Report

- A. **GM Comments** - Neil McFarlane responded to comments made during public forum and answered Board questions. Mr. McFarlane shared:
- Condolences to victims of the terror attack in Brussels and thanked TriMet's security team for the increased presence on the system and their due diligence for passenger security and safety.
 - Responses to ATU concerns during public forum – Randy Stedman provided information and answered Board questions.
 - February ridership results
 - 1st Avenue MAX Improvements
 - PMLR Jobs Statistics
 - Recommendation to re-name the Sunset Pedestrian Bridge to the Terry S. Hofferber Moore Memorial Bridge

3. Consent Agenda

Director Bethel asked in reference to the contract with Sardo Bus and Coach Upholstery, why we would put new seats on buses that are 13 years old?

Neil McFarlane responded that we keep older buses for contingency purposes, and Sam Marra added that although the average age of a bus is 8 years, TriMet has been successful in maintaining its buses for much longer than that and it makes good business sense to keep them in good repair as long as they are mechanically sound.

Action: Craig Prosser moved to approve the consent agenda items listed below; Shelley Martin seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes for February 24, 2016

Resolution Directing that the Reading of all Ordinances be By Title Only

Resolution 16-03-15 Authorizing a Contract with Sardo Bus and Coach Upholstery for the Purchase of Replacement bus Seat Pads

Resolution 16-03-16 Authorizing a Contract with Pivot Architecture for Architectural Design Services for Buildings Group Small Projects

4. Resolutions

Resolution 16-03-17 Authorizing a Contract with Emerick Construction Company for the Ruby Junction Auxiliary Building Renovation Project

Neil McFarlane introduced Resolution 16-03-17 and answered Board questions.

Director Bethel expressed concern about the monitoring of the proposed diversity on this contract and asked how TriMet would ensure contractor meets their goals.

Neil McFarlane stated that diversity continues to be of high importance in TriMet's business practices and explained how the two-step bidding process supports that. Dan Blocher explained the process and the history of this contractor to live up to their commitments.

President Warner stated that he agrees that TriMet has a culture of diversity and trust in this contractor, but agrees with Dr. Bethel that we need to have reporting mechanisms in place to verify.

Action: Joe Esmonde moved approval of Resolution 16-03-17; T. Allen Bethel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Resolution 16-03-18 Approving the Proposed Fiscal Year 2016-17 Annual Budget for Submission to the Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission

Neil McFarlane introduced Resolution 16-03-18 and went through key issues in the proposed budget.

Dee Brookshire, CFO, explained the budget process and answered Board questions.

Action: Craig Prosser moved approval of Resolution 16-03-18; Lori Irish Bauman seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Ordinance and Public Hearing

Ordinance 343 An Ordinance of the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (TriMet) Adopting Service Changes, Updating Route Designations, and Amending TriMet Code Chapter 22 (First Reading)

General Counsel Shelley Devine read Ordinance 343 by title only – no action is required.

During public forum Charles Ornsby and Lisa Volpel expressed concerns about the proposed changes on line 36 and how it would affect the community.

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Neil McFarlane provided a staff report on Ordinance 343 and reiterated the proposed changes that were detailed at the March 9th Board briefing. Kerry Ayres Palanuk explained the streamlining of line 36 and answered Board questions.

President Warner opened up the meeting for a public hearing on Ordinance 343 and the following person addressed the Board:

Luke Norman, Transportation Analyst at Clackamas Community College, spoke in support of Ordinance 343 and specifically the increased service proposed on line 32 and thanked Board and staff for the increased frequency on line 33 effective last year.

6. Other Business & Adjournment

Director Esmonde asked for follow-up on the proposed improvements to the Control Center that were initiated after the October 31st incident of high water of the MAX line. Neil McFarlane responded that the Board will be briefed on the recommendations from North Highland based on their analysis at the April Board briefing.

President Warner adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kelly Rynnion, Recording Secretary