GOLDEN EMPIRE TRANSIT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 15, 2018
5:30 PM

KERN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS’ BOARD ROOM
1401 – 19TH STREET, 3RD FLOOR
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA 93301

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Jim Baldwin
Evelyn Young Spath
Carlos Bello
Cindy Parra

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Jim Hunter

ATTORNEY PRESENT:

Jim Worth

STAFF PRESENT:

Karen King
Deekay Fox
Melissa Ash
Steve Barnes
Candra Cheers
Denise Sailes
Bruce Seibel
Sharon Pierce

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bob Snoddy

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Bruce Seibel led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Director Young Spath moved and Director Bello seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried with four (4) ayes and one (1) absent (Hunter).

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.
CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CMAQ))

Director Baldwin moved and Director Young Spath seconded a motion to adopt Resolution 2018-0y – Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Electric Buses authorizing the Chief Executive Officer or her designee to obtain financial assistance from the Federal Transit Administration. The motion carried on the following roll call vote:

AYES: Directors Baldwin, Bello, Parra, Young Spath
ABSENT: Hunter
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

BOARD MEETING DATES AND TIMES

There was discussion regarding moving the day of the month Board meetings would be held. It was suggested that Board meetings be held on either the 1st Tuesday or third Wednesday of the month. This item will be placed on the June 19th Board agenda. The meeting in June will still be held on the third Tuesday. This was an informational item only.

APRIL 2018 FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Mr. Barnes reviewed the April 2018 financial reports. This was an informational item only.

FY 2018-19 DISTRICT OPERATING BUDGET AND CAPITAL PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Mr. Barnes stated that the Administration and Finance Committee met to review the proposed FY 2018-19 budget and capital program. The proposed budget with the recommended changes will be brought back to the Board for a public hearing on June 19, 2018. This was an informational item only.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Administration and Finance – Baldwin
   A meeting was held on May 14, 2018. See attached minutes.
B. Facilities and Equipment –
   No meeting was held.
C. External Affairs – Hunter
   No meeting was held.
D. Marketing and Business Development – Parra
   No meeting was held.
E. Operations and Service Development – Young Spath
   No meeting was held.
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/BOARD COMMENTS

Director Bello commented that the Stantec report had many good suggestions for alternatives to traditional fixed route service.

Director Parra stated that the keynote speakers at the APTA Bus and Paratransit Conference included all types of exciting technology and mobility options that are being reviewed by transit agencies in many regions across the nation. There is a TransLoc pilot project in Sacramento for microtransit service.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT/COMMENTS

Ms. King commented that staff is working with CSUB’s Facilities staff in order to coordinate the Transit Facility project. Approvals from the Office of the State Architect and Fire Marshall are encountering delays. Without those approvals, the project cannot begin. Ms. King reminded the Board that May 24th is GET’s Health and Wellness Faire, beginning at 10 am and running until 3:30 pm to accommodate the various shifts. Service and Safety awards will be given to staff members. A new roof has been installed on the Administration building. The Governor’s May revision to the State budget is favorable to transit. Last Friday a food distribution and resource fair was held which provided food to 200 families.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Director Parra moved that the meeting be closed. The meeting concluded at 7:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Board of Directors