

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

**JANUARY 16, 2019
5:30 PM**

**1830 GOLDEN STATE AVENUE
BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA 93301**

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Jim Baldwin
Cindy Parra

Carlos Bello
Evelyn Young Spath, Ed.D.

James Hunter

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

ATTORNEY PRESENT:

Jim Worth

STAFF PRESENT:

Karen King
Jeanie Hill
Emery Rendes
Melissa Ash

Steve Barnes
Deekay Fox
Robert Williams
Amanda Villanueva

Candra Cheers
Chris James
Ricardo Perez
Sharon Pierce

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ryan Nielson

Michael Harless

Bob Snoddy

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Young Spath led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Director Baldwin moved and Director Young Spath seconded a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Jason R. Gutierrez submitted written comments (see Attachment A).

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Ms. King stated that according to the District's enabling legislation, election of a chair and a vice-chair is to occur at the first meeting of the Board following the first Monday after the first day of January of each year. To be in compliance with the District's enabling legislation, election of Board officers should occur at the January 16, 2019 meeting.

Director Baldwin moved and Director Young Spath seconded a motion to elect Director Parra as the Chair for the year 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Parra moved and Director Baldwin seconded a motion to elect Director Young Spath as the Vice-Chair for the year 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

JUNE 30, 2018 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH THE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Barnes introduced Mr. Ryan Nielson with Brown Armstrong who reviewed the June 30, 2018 audited financial statements. This was an informational item only.

BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE LEASE AGREEMENT

Mr. James shared that staff has been negotiating a new lease agreement with Bakersfield College for the past few months. The property lease is \$1.00 a year, but the new lease includes daily janitorial services and campus security open and closing the restroom daily. Bakersfield College has agreed to provide these services for a monthly fee of \$833.34 per month. The term of the lease is 10 years with no cost escalation to the lease. The Committee members concurred with the staff recommendation to present the lease agreement to the Board for consideration.

Director Parra moved and Director Bello seconded a motion to approve a new 10-year lease agreement with Bakersfield College with a total contract value of \$100,010.80. The motion carried unanimously.

SECOND QUARTER FY 2018-19 PERFORMANCE REPORTS FOR MOTOR BUS AND DEMAND RESPONSE SERVICES

Mr. Rendes updated the Board on second quarter ridership for both GET-A-Lift and fixed route. GET-A-Lift total unlinked passenger trips was 13,720. Second quarter unlinked passenger trips on fixed routes was 1,598,762. Mr. Rendes stated that on time performance for the quarter was 85% compared to 86% last year. This was an informational item only.

DECEMBER 2018 FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

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

2019 STRATEGIC PLAN

Ms. King reviewed the draft strategic plan with the strategic initiatives suggested at the December 5th meeting. They were: Ensure delivery of high quality transit services; Identify new mobility options; Improve infrastructure; and Focus on Public Image and Perception. After some discussion, a fifth initiative was added: Safeguard Fiscal Stability. This item was tabled until the February 20, 2019 meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/BOARD COMMENTS

Director Bello stated that he will be participating in the Point-In-Time event on January 30, 2019. The Point-In-Time event is where volunteers assist the Homeless Collaborative perform a physical count of the county's homeless population.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT/COMMENTS

Ms. King shared that on February 1, 2019, a resource fair will be held at the United Methodist Church for the homeless. GET will be providing transportation for homeless participants to the resource fair. The Citizens' Advisory Committee will be meeting next Tuesday, January 22nd at 3 pm here in the Board room.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Director Parra moved that the meeting be closed. The meeting concluded at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary of the Board of Directors

Buss Stop

Chester & Milby 22 Lights at
Milby & Chester 42 buss stop
doesn't work properly

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