The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Jeanie Hill led the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda included two items: Automated Fuel and Fluid Management System - award a contract to Fleet Watch Systems in the amount of $279,500.52 for the Automated Fuel
and Fluid Management System and CNG Commuter Bus Procurement - award a contract to Motor Coach Industries in the amount of $822,062.00 for one CNG commuter bus. Director Engel moved and Director Pascual seconded a motion to approve consent agenda items A-E. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mr. Michael Harless commented on incidents with riders involving the new security firm. Mr. Harless also shared that road repair is needed on South Union Avenue.

Ms. Pam Bishop expressed concern over behavior of another rider (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 21, 2020 meeting.

Director Baldwin moved and Director Bello seconded a motion to elect Director Parra as the Chair for the year 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

Director Baldwin moved and Director Parra seconded a motion to elect Director Pascual as the Vice-Chair for the year 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD POLICY NO. 9: SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Ms. Gail presented revised Board Policy No. 9. Director Baldwin moved and Director Engel seconded a motion to amend Board Policy No. 9. The motion carried unanimously.

2020 STRATEGIC PLAN

Ms. King reviewed the draft strategic plan with the strategic initiatives suggested at the December 3rd meeting. Director Baldwin moved and Director Engel seconded a motion to adopt the 2020 Strategic Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

SECOND QUARTER FY 2019-20 PERFORMANCE REPORTS FOR MOTOR BUS AND DEMAND RESPONSE SERVICES

Mr. Perez updated the Board on second quarter ridership for both GET-A-Lift and fixed route. GET-A-Lift total unlinked passenger trips was 15,579. Second quarter unlinked passenger trips on fixed routes was 1,708,597. Mr. Perez stated that on time performance for the quarter was 82% compared to 85% last year. This was an informational item only.
DECEMBER 2019 FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Mr. Barnes reviewed December 2019 financial reports. This was an informational item only.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/BOARD COMMENTS

Director Baldwin shared that he retired effective December 31st. He also commented that Union Avenue needs some road repair work and asked if staff would contact the appropriate agency and advise that the road needs to be repaired.

Director Bello asked whether the Zero Emission Bus Plan could be revised after it has been submitted. He also asked if there is any funding for a downtown circulator.

Director Parra also asked if there might be any grants to support an Old Town Kern/Downtown circulator. She commented that she is looking forward to learning more about bus shelters.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT/COMMENTS

Ms. King shared that she and Ms. Gomez had a phone conversation on December 22nd. Ms. Gomez advised that the Business Plan will be submitted to the Board in February. Ms. King attended the CHSRA Board of Directors meeting on January 14th in Sacramento and provided written and verbal comments. A portion of F Street and the intersection of F Street and Highway 204 has been repaved by the City of Bakersfield. Mr. Barnes and Ms. King met with the Kern County Grand Jury – Special District Committee on Thursday, January 16, 2020. The meeting was part of the Special District Committee’s routine reviews.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Director Parra moved that the meeting be closed. The meeting concluded at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary of the Board of Directors
Mike Dale Harless claims he's on the board and threatens passengers to have them kicked off the bus. He files false reports and tries to get other people to call in on drivers and lies. He files and tries to get other people to file false reports on drivers and threatening the drivers and threatening the driver that he's going to have them fired. Then tell them you're tired of being bullied by Mike and I don't understand why you can't continue doing it.
Mike Bully Passenger
she can sit with his
Walker me included
Because he is on the board he uses his power

Mike won't let people sit down
because he won't close up his
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Comments presented during public comments by Pam Bishop