

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT
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Board of Directors
Minutes of the 1,511th Meeting
July 12, 2007

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held July 12, 2007, convening at 9:11 a.m. in the Board Room, 344 20th Street, Oakland, California. President Sweet presided; Kenneth A. Duron, District Secretary.

Directors present: Directors Blalock, Fang, Franklin, Keller, Luce, Murray, Radulovich, Ward Allen, and Sweet.

Absent: None.

Consent Calendar item brought before the Board was:

1. Approval of Minutes of the Meetings of June 21, 2007 (Special), and June 28, 2007 (Regular).

Director Murray moved that the Minutes of the Meetings of June 21, 2007 (Special), and June 28, 2007 (Regular), be approved. Director Blalock seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. Ayes – 9: Directors Blalock, Fang, Franklin, Keller, Luce, Murray, Radulovich, Ward Allen, and Sweet. Noes – 0. Absent – 0.

The Board Meeting recessed at 9:14 a.m.

The Board Meeting reconvened at 10:45 a.m.

Directors present: Directors Blalock, Fang, Franklin, Keller, Luce, Murray, Radulovich, Ward Allen, and Sweet.

Absent: None.

Consent Calendar Addenda item brought before the Board was:

1. Application for Transportation Fund for Clean Air Regional Funds for the AC Transit Bus to BART Incentive Program.

Director Fang moved adoption of Resolution No. 5022, In the Matter of Endorsing the Submittal of an Application for Transportation Fund for Clean Air Regional Funds for the AC Transit Bus to BART Incentive Program. Director Blalock seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Ayes – 9: Directors Blalock, Fang, Franklin, Keller, Luce, Murray, Radulovich, Ward Allen, and Sweet. Noes – 0. Absent – 0.

Director Franklin, Chairperson of the Administration Committee, reported that the committee had received and discussed the Small Business Program Status Report, and that the remaining item on the committee agenda had been forwarded to Consent Calendar Addenda.

Director Fang, Chairperson of the Engineering and Operations Committee, had no report.

Director Radulovich, Chairperson of the Planning, Public Affairs, Access, and Legislation Committee, brought the matter of Approval of the West Bay Airport/Long-Term Parking Program and Fees before the Board, and noting that the program had been amended to allow zero long-term parking permits if the average number of weekday parking spaces available was between zero and 50, moved adoption of Resolution No. 5023, In the Matter of Adopting West Bay Airport/Long-Term Parking Program and Fees. Director Ward Allen seconded the motion, which carried by the required two-thirds majority. Ayes – 9: Directors Blalock, Fang, Franklin, Keller, Luce, Murray, Radulovich, Ward Allen, and Sweet. Noes – 0. Absent – 0.

Director Radulovich brought the matter of Commitment of Matching Funds to Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Action on Distribution of Population-Based Proposition 1B Infrastructure Bonds to Urban Core Projects before the Board. Director Keller moved that the Board provide up to \$40 million of BART’s formula share of Proposition 1B revenue-based infrastructure bond funds at such time the funds are needed to meet a required one-to-one match to MTC’s Proposition 1B population-based infrastructure bond funds and State Transit Assistance “spillover” programmed to the eBART and Warm Springs Urban Core projects. Director Blalock seconded the motion, which carried by electronic vote. Ayes – 8: Directors Blalock, Fang, Franklin, Keller, Luce, Murray, Ward Allen, and Sweet. Noes – 1: Director Radulovich. Absent – 0.

President Sweet asked for the General Manager’s Report. Interim General Manager Dorothy Dugger introduced Mr. David Kutrosky, Deputy Director, Finance and Planning, Capitol Corridor, who gave a Review of the Draft Agenda for the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Board Meeting of July 18, 2007.

Ms. Dugger reported that the Government and Community Relations Department would be providing a summer program focusing on low income youth and encouraging the participants to think about the future of regional transportation.

Ms. Dugger reported that single-tracking on the Dublin/Pleasanton line was beginning in preparation for the construction of the West Dublin/Pleasanton Station.

Ms. Dugger reported that a new “BART Rewards” card would be unveiled on July 15, 2007.

Mr. Jerry Grace addressed the Board.

Director Ward Allen, Chairperson of the District Security Advocacy Ad Hoc Committee, reported that during the week of July 4, 2007, BART had hosted the Department of Homeland Security's Visible Intermodal Protection Response (VIPR) team in order to provide enhanced security for several high-profile events in the region.

Director Blalock, Chairperson of the District Organizational Review Ad Hoc Committee, reported that the ad hoc Committee's final set of proposed recommendations had been approved by the Board at the June 21, 2007, Special Meeting of the Board of Directors, and the ad hoc committee expected to reconvene in November.

President Sweet brought Roll Call for Introductions before the Board.

Director Radulovich requested a proposal for the District's participation in a regional 'car free' tourism promotion in conjunction with visitors' and conventions' bureaus throughout the region providing a showcase for public transit, with the promotion including print media such as signage and brochures.

Director Murray requested an update on when she can expect a response to a previous Roll Call for Introductions item regarding the District's communications plan in the event of incidents like the tunnel fire in 2006.

President Sweet requested a review and written response by Interim General Manager of the District's recent response to a Memo from Assistant General Manager regarding a complaint from a customer with disabilities regarding accessibility to the 12th Street/Oakland City Center Station and elevator and the incident resulting in the Police Department's response.

Director Blalock requested a summary on when the new rail grinder is due to be placed into service and the District's plan for use of the new grinder in conjunction with the existing grinder which is due for renovation.

Director Murray requested a briefing on other methods (technology, insulation, etc.) of train/rail car noise reduction on the system, particularly in tunnels, other than rail grinding.

President Sweet called for General Discussion and Public Comment. Mr. Jerry Grace addressed the Board.

President Sweet announced that the Board would enter into closed session under Item 8-A (Public Employee Appointment) and Item 8-B (Conference with Labor Negotiators – Public Employee Performance Evaluation) of the Regular Meeting agenda, and that the Board would adjourn upon conclusion of the closed session.

The Board Meeting recessed at 11:20 a.m.

The Board entered into closed session at 11:25 a.m.

Directors present: Directors Blalock, Fang, Franklin, Keller, Luce, Murray, Ward Allen, and Sweet.

Absent: None. Director Radulovich entered the meeting later.

The Board Meeting adjourned at 11:38 a.m. in honor of City of Richmond Deputy Fire Marshall Ronald Wiley.

Kenneth A. Duron
District Secretary