

**Central Puget Sound
Regional Transit Authority**

**September 13, 1996
Board Meeting Minutes**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:50 p.m. by Chairman Drewel. It was held in the 6th floor conference room of the Puget Sound Regional Council, 1011 Western Avenue, Seattle, WA.

Attendance

Chair

(P) Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive

Vice Chairs

(A) Paul Miller, City of Tacoma Councilmember

(A) Greg Nickels, King County Councilmember

(A) Martha Choe, City of Seattle Councilmember

(P) Dave Earling, City of Edmonds Council President

(P) Mary Gates, City of Federal Way Councilmember

(P) Jane Hague, King County Council Chair

(A) Ed Hansen, City of Everett Mayor

(P) Ann Kirk Davis, City of Lakewood Councilmember

(A) Gary Locke, King County Executive

(P) Rob McKenna, King County Councilmember

(A) Sid Morrison, WSDOT Secretary

(A) Norm Rice, City of Seattle Mayor

(P) Dave Russell, City of Kirkland Councilmember

(P) Bill Stoner, Pierce County Councilmember

(P) Cynthia Sullivan, King County Councilmember

(A) Doug Sutherland, Pierce County Executive

(P) Jim White, City of Kent Mayor

The Board Administrator announced there was not yet a quorum of Board members present at roll call.

Public Comment

Mr. Richard Wilding presented comments to the Board:

Comments are on file with the Board Administrator.

Report of the Chair

Mr. Drewel indicated that he had no report.

Executive Director Report

Executive Director White indicated that he had no report.

(Board member Gates arrived at this time.)

Public Involvement Committee Report

Mr. Earling reminded Board members that any speaking engagements they accept will be added to the Speakers Bureau calendar (copy on file). He referred Board members to an updated list of position statements (copy on file).

Mr. Earling reported that the public information brochure is in production and will be ready in early October. At the last meeting, he asked that Board members submit their comments by Tuesday, August 27. No comments were received. There were technical adjustments made, as well as changes recommended by legal counsel.

Mr. McKenna indicated that he had comments but wasn't able to transmit them in the short period of time allowed.

Mr. Earling agreed that there was a short time-line. The Public Involvement Committee worked under a short time-line as well. He explained that the Committee had called a special meeting to receive input but received no comments from any Board members. The Committee then went forward with production of the piece.

Mr. McKenna asked if the Speakers Bureau reflects events where someone has contacted the RTA asking for a speaker or where a Board member is reporting that s/he has been asked to appear.

Executive Director White explained the process by which speaking engagements are reflected on the calendar. If Board members are contacted by outside organizations and asked to speak, the Board members inform the staff and that engagement is added to the calendar. When those requests are made through the RTA office, they will also be reflected on the calendar. If however, an organization would like to sponsor a debate on the RTA proposal, those requests are directed to the campaign organizations for and against the ballot issue.

Minutes of May 31, 1996

It was moved by Mr. Stoner, seconded by Mr. White and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that the minutes of May 31, 1996 be approved as presented.

Motion No. 16-To appoint supporting and opposing committees to prepare arguments for inclusion in the official voter's pamphlet.

Mr. Drewel read Motion 16 into the record (copy on file), and read out the names of the committee members advocating for and against the ballot proposition.

In King and Snohomish counties, the committee advocating approval of the ballot proposition consists of James Ellis, Darlene Madenwald and Reid Shockey. The committee advocating rejection of the ballot proposition consists of Norman Winn, David Peckarsky and Arlene Hilmer. King County Councilmember Rob McKenna is appointed as the advisor to the committee supporting rejection of the proposition.

In Pierce county, John Thompson, Margy McGroarty and Thomas Dixon will serve on the committee advocating approval of the proposition. Arlene Hilmer, David Peckarsky and Norman Winn will serve on the committee advocating rejection of the ballot proposition.

It was moved by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Stoner and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Motion 16 be approved as presented.

Other Business

Mr. Russell reported that at the Puget Sound Regional Council Regional Transportation Planning Board meeting there was a report by the Transportation Pricing Task Force. The report will be finalized and distributed.

He indicated that the objective was to provide a break-down of the cost of transportation in the Puget Sound region. The biggest cost for all ground transportation is private, totaling over \$18 billion a year within the region. The public expenditure in building roads and operating a transit system is less than 1/10th of that. The RTA system, as proposed on the ballot, would involve less than 1% of what the region spends on ground transportation.

Next Meeting

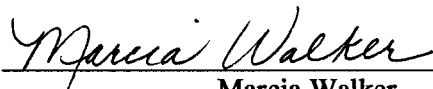
The next Board meeting will be held on Friday, October 11, 1996 in at the Puget Sound Regional Council 6th Floor conference room.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:08 p.m.



Bob Drewel
Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:



Marcia Walker
Board Administrator

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