Sound Transit Executive Committee Summary Minutes

September 18, 1998

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:39 p.m. by Board Chair Paul Miller.

Attendance

- (P) Paul Miller, Chair
- (P) Bob Drewel, Vice Chair
- (P) Dave Earling
- (P) Mary Gates
- (A) Jane Hague
- (A) Richard McIver

- (A) Greg Nickels
- (A) Paul Schell
- (P) Ron Sims
- (P) Cynthia Sullivan
- (P) Doug Sutherland

The following Committee members arrived after the meeting was called to order:

Ron Sims Doug Sutherland

Report of the Chair

Mr. Miller reported that the Committee would work from a revised agenda; specifically, agenda item No. 8, a discussion on bus route allocations, had been added.

Executive Director Report

None.

Public Comment

Ms. Marie Groark, Elevated Transportation Company (ETC) Board member, addressed the Committee. The ETC requested that the Sound Transit Board consider allocating a portion of the Research and Technology Fund to the ETC to study the feasibility of developing and implementing the elevated transportation system as proposed in an initiative approved by Seattle voters.

(Copies of Ms. Groark's comments are on file with the Board Administrator.)

Minutes of September 4, 1998 Meeting

As a quorum of the Committee was not present, this item was delayed.

<u>Service Redeployment Guidelines to guide the reinvestment of resources freed up as a result of the implementation of Sound Move</u>

Ms. Agnes Govern, Director of Regional Express Bus, presented a discussion paper on Service Redeployment Guidelines (copy on file). Following review of the proposed guidelines by the Executive

Committee, Ms. Govern indicated that the guidelines would be presented to each of the transit agency's governing boards for approval. The General Managers of the transit agencies have stated their willingness to recommend approval of the guidelines.

On October 2, the Executive Committee will be asked to take action to recommend adoption of the Service Redeployment Guidelines by the full Board.

Minutes of September 4, 1998 Meeting

It was moved by Ms. Gates, seconded by Mr. Drewel and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the minutes of September 4, 1998 be approved as presented.

Research and Technology Fund

Ms. Barbara Gilliland, Systems Integration Program Manager, and Mr. Barry Hennelly, Systems Integration Project Coordinator, presented a discussion paper on the Research and Technology Fund (copy on file). They offered the proposed mission statement, goals, policy guidelines and program focus areas for the Committee's consideration.

Mr. Drewel stated the need to make it clear that Sound Transit is not a lending institution.

Ms. Gates asked that staff outline criteria for proposals to be considered, as well as the process of evaluation.

The Research and Technology Fund will be before the Executive Committee for action to recommend Board approval on October 2.

Route Allocations

Ms. Govern presented proposed criteria for allocating routes among the region's transit agencies:

- Operator currently operating the existing service
- Operating costs
- Sub-Area equity
- Potential to maximize operational efficiencies
- Current operator within the given corridor
- Amount of local service of each operator expected to interface with, or complement, the regional route
- Maintenance capacity
- Potential to minimize investment in not-revenue service expenditures

She indicated that she considered bullet points 1 and 3 to be "givens", and asked if the Committee accepted that premise. If so, she continued, only 6 of the 20 Regional Express routes would be in question and would require the application of these criteria.

Mr. Miller indicated that he would weight the top 4 bullet points higher than the rest.

Mr. Drewel stated that the Maintenance Capacity criterion should be listed as number 5.

It was moved by Mr. Sutherland, seconded by Mr. Sims and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that staff be directed to apply the proposed criteria and then return to the Executive Committee.

Other Business

None.

Next Meeting

Friday, October 2, 1998 from 1:30 to 3 at the Sound Transit Conference Room, 1100 Second Ave., 4th Floor, in Seattle, WA.

Adjourn

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

Recorded by Amy Ebersole Board Coordinator

ATTEST:

Paul Miller Board Chair

Marcia Walker Board Administrator