

**Sound Transit
Executive Committee Minutes**

December 3, 1999

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:45 p.m. by Chair Paul Miller. The meeting was held in the Board room of Union Station, 401 S. Jackson St., Seattle, WA 98104.

Attendance

(P) Paul Miller, Chair	(P) Greg Nickels
(A) Bob Drewel, Vice Chair	(A) Paul Schell
(P) Dave Earling	(A) Ron Sims
(P) Mary Gates	(A) Cynthia Sullivan
(A) Jane Hague	(P) Doug Sutherland
(P) Richard McIver	

Board member Dave Russell was also in attendance.

Report of the Chair

Mr. Miller noted that the Committee would be working from a revised agenda in that Motion No. M99-86 had been deferred to a future meeting.

Mr. Earling informed the Committee that the Senate Transportation Committee would hold a work session in the Sound Transit Boardroom on December 14 at 1:30. He indicated that Board members' attendance would be helpful.

Executive Director Report

Executive Director White reported that, under authority granted him in Resolution No. R99-2, he would be suspending fares for Sound Transit bus service in downtown Seattle for the upcoming weekend. Other transit agencies would be suspending fares as well, as a "thank you" to the community following the WTO Conference.

Public Comment

None.

Nominations of Sound Transit Officers

Mr. Sutherland indicated that Section 2.A. of the Board's rules and operating procedures specifies that the Executive Committee shall meet during January of each calendar year to develop the recommendation for officers. Section 15 of the rules and operating procedures for the Sound Transit Board states: "These rules of procedure may be temporarily suspended by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board members in attendance to facilitate consideration of an action by the Board in the event of emergencies or other special circumstances." He indicated that the Board was facing a special circumstance this year, in that Chair Miller will no longer be eligible to serve on the Sound Transit Board after December 31, 1999.

It was moved by Mr. Sutherland, seconded by Mr. Earling and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the rules be suspended to allow the Executive Committee to carry out its responsibility of nominating officers of the Board at this meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Sutherland, seconded by Mr. Earling and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the Executive Committee nominate officers at this meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Sutherland and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Mr. Earling be nominated as Chair of the Sound Transit Board, effective January 1, 2000.

It was moved by Mr. Earling, seconded by Mr. Miller and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Mr. Sutherland be nominated as Vice Chair, effective January 1, 2000.

It was moved by Mr. Sutherland, seconded by Ms. Gates and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Mr. Nickels be nominated to continue as Vice Chair.

Mr. Miller stated that the Executive Committee recommendations for officers of the Board would be considered at the December 9 Board meeting.

Motion No. M99-88 - Authorizing the Executive Director to execute the First Supplemental Agreement to the Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Everett for the Pacific Avenue Overpass Project reallocating to the City certain project lead responsibilities and providing funding not to exceed \$17,118,313 (YOE dollars)

Ms. Agnes Govern, Regional Express Director, indicated that the Finance Committee had taken action on this item at its meeting the day before. Staff was seeking approval from the Executive Committee as well.

It was moved by Mr. Nickels, seconded by Ms. Gates and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that Motion No. M99-88 be forwarded to the Board with a do-pass recommendation.

Motion No. M99-86 - Deferred

Kirkland Regional Express Projects Update

Ms. Andrea Tull, HOV Access Program Manager, presented slides and background information to the Committee (copy of discussion paper on file). She indicated that staff would return to the Committee at a future date for action.

Beginning Phase II Planning

Ms. Barbara Gilliland, Systems Integration Program Manager, presented background information to the Committee (copy of discussion paper on file). She asked Board members for information that might be useful to them to discuss Phase II planning, and indicated that staff was planning a workshop on the topic, perhaps in late January 2000.

Mr. Sutherland asked that staff bring back information on the initial ballot proposal that failed, and on water-borne transit as a possible cross-lake transportation option, to aid in the Board's discussion regarding Phase II planning.

Mr. Earling wondered if the appointments for the new Board members would have been completed in time for a workshop in January.

Mr. Miller asked for the following:

- ◆ A review of the history of the JRPC and the Master Plan which includes what has been proposed before as well as what has changed since then, and what previous proposals have left out.
- ◆ A viewpoint that focuses first on opportunities and possibilities for investments, and tax levels second.

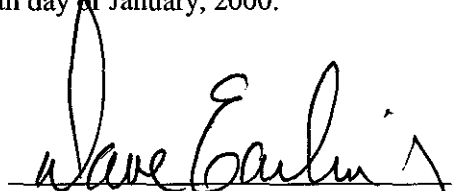
Finally, he stated that the principles established in Phase I that allowed the ballot measure to succeed need to be carried through. He indicated that a Committee to assist in the Phase II planning process was a valid request, and indicated that the new Chair, Mr. Earling, would be involved in that effort.

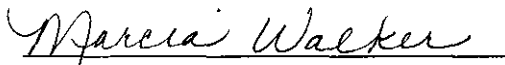
Adjourn

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25.

Minutes approved by the Executive Committee on the 7th day of January, 2000.

ATTEST:


Dave Earling
Chair


Marcia Walker
Board Administrator