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Upon notice duly given, the members of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority met at a regular meeting at the Authority's Board Room, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles 15, California, at 3:00 o'clock p.m. on August 5, 1958, at which time the Chairman called the meeting to order.

Chairman Carl P. Miller, Members Don Belding, Fred S. Dean, Hayden F. Jones, Russell A. Quisenberry, Arthur J. Will and Clarence A. Winder attended. Also present were Executive Director Ralph P. Merritt; General Attorney Gerald G. Kelly; General Manager Cone T. Bass; Public Relations Director James H. Raport; Controller Wm. W. Wakelee; Ernest V. Gerlach, Clark Abbott, and John Slater of Coverdale & Colpitts, Consulting Engineers of the Authority; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; Administrative Assistant James H. Lyons; Assistant Controller E. H. Uecker; Assistant Treasurer H. L. Black; Stephen O'Donnell of the Public Relations Department; Roderick M. Hills of Musick, Peeler & Garrett; representatives of the press; and the public.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on July 15, 1958 were approved.

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Report of Consulting Engineer

A progress report on the Origin and Destination Survey was presented by Mr. John Slater, a Senior Partner of Coverdale & Colpitts.

Purchase of Map Reproduction Tracings

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to purchase 72 map reproduction tracings of areas of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Orange Counties, and 68 map blue line prints of area of Riverside County, traversed by present Authority routes, at a cost not to exceed \$3,400.00.

Pre-employment Physical examinations

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that Paragraph 2 of the resolution adopted at the April 17, 1958 regular meeting of the Members of the Authority under the title "Approval of various requisitions" be and the same is hereby rescinded.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in lieu of such rescinded paragraph 2 of said resolution, the following paragraph 2 is hereby adopted:

2. Pre-employment physical examination, including laboratory tests, by F. K. Zahawi, M.D., Medical Director, in the amount of \$5.00 per examination (but not to exceed a total of \$500 monthly).

Expenditure to cover paving cost

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to expend the sum of \$1400.00 to cover paving cost in connection with track reconstruction in Pico Boulevard between Lucerne Boulevard and Queen Ann Place.

Expenditure for bus signs

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to expend the sum of \$2,600.00 to cover cost of repainting old signs and of constructing and installing 54 new box type bus stop signs showing individual lines stopping at various bus zones in Central Business Area.

Sale of Surplus Coaches

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to sell two surplus 1941 White Coaches, Model 789 (less wheels and tires) (Nos. 2052 and 2057) at the best possible sales price which he can obtain for the Authority.

Disposal of Surplus Property

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the authority be and the same is hereby given to the General Manager to sell or trade-in surplus property in accordance with the list attached hereto and marked Exhibit 1.

Expenditure for Coin Assorting and Counting Machine

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to purchase a Standard-Johnson Coin Assorting and Counting Machine at a cost not to exceed \$4,675.00, as part of the proposed addition for the West Hollywood Division.

Report of Controller

The report of the Controller relating to the finances of the Authority was received and filed. A copy of said report is attached to these Minutes as Exhibit 2.

Report of Purchasing Committee

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Report of Purchasing Committee of Authorizations from July 17 to July 31, 1958, as attached hereto as Exhibit 3, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved and the appropriate payments are hereby authorized.

Committee Appointment

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that a Committee consisting of Arthur J. Will, Chairman, Clarence A. Winder and Fred S. Dean, be and the same is hereby appointed to report to the Authority at a later meeting on a recommendation of a Certified Public Accountant to be retained by the Authority.

Disclaimer as to Rail Facilities

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute a Disclaimer relating to rail facilities of Metropolitan Coach Lines which were not transferred to the Authority.

Agreements with Private Schools re Ticket Books

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with various private schools regarding the sale by the schools of school commutation ticket books. Such agreements will be in the form reviewed at this meeting.

Power of Attorney for Federal Tax Matters

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Attorney is hereby authorized to represent the Authority before the United States Treasury Department in all matters pertaining to Federal taxes involving the Authority and to do all things which are necessary to be done in such matters and that the Executive Director and General Manager are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Authority a Power of Attorney in the form reviewed at this meeting.

Request for Ruling from Commissioner of Internal Revenue

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to execute a request for ruling of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue that the Authority is not subject to certain excise taxes.

Agreement with City of Los Angeles

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the action of the Executive Director and General Attorney in approving the agreement between the Authority and the City of Los Angeles and the proposed City Ordinance in the form reviewed at this meeting be and the same is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Repeal of County Franchise Ordinances

The General Attorney reported that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles did on July 29, 1958 repeal Franchise Ordinances 4920 and 5237, originally issued in favor of Los Angeles Transit Lines.

Joint Pole Committee

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following Resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, that the preamble and resolutions adopted at the May 20, 1958 regular meeting of the Members of the Authority under the title "Joint Pole Committee" are hereby rescinded.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in lieu of such rescinded preamble and resolutions, the following resolutions are hereby adopted:

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Transit Lines and Metropolitan Coach Lines own certain joint pole interests in common with other members of the so-called "Joint

Pole Committee"; and

WHEREAS, these interests were assigned to the Authority on March 3, 1958; and

WHEREAS, the "Joint Pole Committee" by letter dated April 14, 1958, has offered to admit the Authority to full membership on said Committee on the condition that the Authority accept the obligations of Los Angeles Transit Lines and Metropolitan Coach Lines to such Committee, and on the further condition that the Authority agrees to be bound by the provisions of the so-called "Joint Pole Agreement";

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Authority hereby accepts the obligation of Los Angeles Transit Lines and Metropolitan Coach Lines under the above-mentioned "Joint Pole Agreement" and agrees to be bound by the provisions of said Agreement; provided that the right of the Authority as a public corporation to secure the payment of facility relocation expenses from any party that may cause such expense shall not be impaired by reason of the foregoing or by reason of the Authority's association with the "Joint Pole Committee".

RESOLVED FURTHER, that L. E. Dye, Superintendent of Electrical Equipment, and Walter E. Whiteside, Chief Clerk of Electrical Department of this Authority, and each of them be, and they hereby are, authorized, directed and empowered to execute and deliver on behalf of, and in the name of this Authority, Bills of Sale, transferring joint pole interests when the same are required in connection with the performance of obligations of this Authority under the Los Angeles "Joint Pole Agreement" dated October 10, 1906, as amended, and to approve, execute and deliver on behalf and in the name of this Authority, statements of account, acknowledgments of title, and/or other instruments relating to joint poles with respect to which there is a joint participation in original costs, when the same are required in connection with the performance of obligations of Los Angeles Transit Lines and Metropolitan Coach Lines under the aforesaid Agreement dated October 10, 1906, as amended.

Mr. Miller excused himself from the meeting at this point

and Vice-Chairman Clarence A. Winder thereupon presided over the meeting.

Working Funds of Authority

Mr. Gerlach reported on the fiscal operations of the Authority for its first four months of transit operations under the terms of the Trust Indenture. He reported that based upon the experience of these four months that the Trustees had been instructed to transfer an additional sum of \$500,000 to the Operation Fund from March revenues. This amount when added to the present funds of \$2,650,000 provides an excess of \$1,250,000 over the expenses incurred to date. This provides a working fund from current revenues which can be used to anticipate variations in revenue and expense from month to month, a sufficiently large fund to carry across the normal delay in making current revenues available for transfer to the Operation Fund of three working days, and when added to the \$2,000,000 working cash from the original financing provides a total working fund well in excess of the liabilities should the normal operation of the Authority be temporarily disrupted for any reason. Mr. Gerlach recommended that the working fund requirements be examined again at the time the annual budget is prepared for 1959 to determine whether or not there is a need for working funds in addition to the amounts

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provided as above set forth.

Change in Route - Line 86

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the General Manager recommends that Transit Authority Line No. 86 be rerouted in the manner described at this meeting and in the memorandum inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 4; and

WHEREAS, such routing change will in no way tend to reduce the net revenues of the Authority below the amounts required by the provisions of Section 1002 of the Trust Indenture; and

WHEREAS, such rerouting is necessary in order to conform with Golden State Freeway construction;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that Transit Authority Line No. 86 be rerouted as hereinabove mentioned.

Disposition of Equipment

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to sell to the highest bidder certain equipment as set forth in Exhibit 4-A attached hereto from abandoned Long Beach Seventh Street Substation.

Changes of Bus Stops

Mr. Bass filed with the Authority a list of all bus stop changes made from July 16, 1958 through July 30, 1958. After

