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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, 1000 South Broadway, Los Angeles 15, California, at 3:00 o'clock p.m. (P.S.T.) on May 1, 1958, at which time the Vice-Chairman called the meeting to order.

Chairman Hayden P. Jones, Members Don Belding, Fred S. Dean, Carl P. Miller, Russell A. Guisenberry, Arthur J. Will and Clarence A. Winder attended. Also present were the General Attorney Gerald G. Kelly of Musick, Peeler & Garrett, and Roderick M. Mills of that firm, Executive Director Ralph P. Ferritt, General Manager Cone T. Bass, Public Relations Director James H. Raport, Controller Wm. W. Wakelee, John Slater and Ernest Gerlach of Coverdale & Colpitts, Consulting Engineer of the Authority, Secretary Virginia L. Rees, Administrative Assistant James H. Lyons, representatives of the press, and the public.

The minutes of the special meeting held on March 25, 1958 and the regular meeting held on April 17, 1958 were approved.

Election of Officers

The Nominating Committee, composed of Members Quisenberry, Will and Dean, reported their nominations of Carl P. Miller for Chairman, Clarence A. Winder for Vice-Chairman and Virginia L. Rees as Secretary. The Nominating Committee made no report on the position of Treasurer. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Secretary be and she hereby is instructed to cast a unanimous ballot as follows:

For Chairman: Carl P. Miller  
 For Vice-Chairman: Clarence A. Winder  
 For Secretary: Virginia L. Rees

Coverdale & Colpitts Contract

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

RESOLVED, that the letter agreement, dated April 16, 1958 between the Authority and Coverdale & Colpitts, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 1, be and the same is hereby approved, effective May 1, 1958.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Chairman and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute such agreement.

Service Changes and Re-routing of Lines

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

Line "S"

WHEREAS, the Transit Authority "Line S" now uses old high floor level type streetcars; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has on hand "sufficient" modern "PCC" type streetcars to replace the aforementioned old style streetcars on "Line S"; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary to provide "turn-around loops" at each end of "Line S" in order to operate the "PCC" type streetcars;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized to dispose of the aforementioned high floor level type streetcars, on the best terms available to the Authority.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager is authorized to spend up to, but not more than \$50,000 for the construction of the above-mentioned "turn-around loops" and the acquisition of such property as may be necessary for such construction;

PROVIDED THAT, no such property shall be acquired without the approval of the Consulting Engineer and the General Attorney.

Los Angeles-Bellflower Line

WHEREAS, the so-called "Los Angeles Bellflower Line" now operated by the Authority has in operation eight inter-urban rail cars, each of eighty-passenger capacity, which are in poor condition; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager has recommended that said rail line be discontinued; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager has recommended that a motor coach service, outlined in his memorandum which is inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 2 be substituted for this rail service; and

WHEREAS, this substituted motor coach service provides services equal to those now provided by the rail service;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to discontinue such rail service;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager is authorized to dispose of the passenger inter-urban cars used in this rail service, on the best terms available;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the motor coach service shall be commenced as soon as possible after this meeting of the Members of the Authority.

#### Hollywood Park Service

WHEREAS, the General Manager has recommended that an express motor coach service from the Riverside - San Bernardino area to Hollywood Park be inaugurated according to the plan he presented at this meeting of the Members of the Authority, and as outlined in his memorandum, inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes, as Exhibit 2,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the aforesaid service be inaugurated as of May 8, 1958, to continue for the ensuing racing season at the Hollywood Race Track.

#### Line "17"

WHEREAS, the Transit Authority Line No. 17 does not now pick up or discharge passengers between Los Feliz at Riverside Drive and Vermont Avenue at Prospect Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager recommends that this restriction be removed;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the above-mentioned "lifting restrictions" on Line No. 17 be removed.

Line "66" that  
 WHEREAS, Transit Authority Line No. 66 has been operated as a shuttle bus service to supplement the formerly operated No. 5 rail line; and  
 WHEREAS, this rail line has been replaced by a motor coach service, designated Transit Authority Line No. 5; and

WHEREAS, Line No. 5 provides services equal to those provided by Line No. 66;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that line designation No. 66 now be eliminated.

#### Line "27"

WHEREAS, the General Manager has recommended that Transit Authority Line No. 27 be extended to provide more convenient service to Audubon Junior High School students in the manner presented to this meeting of the Members of the Authority, and as outlined in the memorandum of the General Manager, inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 2;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that service on Line No. 27 be extended pursuant to the aforementioned recommendation.

#### James H. Raport Contract

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

WHEREAS, the Authority wishes to hire a man of recognized ability and experience as its Director of Public Relations; and

WHEREAS, James H. Raport is a man of such recognized ability and experience;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Chairman and Secretary of the Authority are authorized to enter into a contract with James H. Raport on the terms and conditions that are set forth in an agreement, marked Exhibit 3 to be inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes.

Report of Public Relation's Department

Mr. Raport presented to the meeting a report on the activities of the Public Relation's Department. Mr. Belding's suggestion that an advertising budget be set quarterly and the first quarter's budget be set at \$100,000 was referred to the General Attorney and the Consulting Engineer.

Mr. Raport recommended that two trainees be employed by his department at a salary of no more than \$400 a month for each. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Public Relations Director is hereby authorized to employ two trainees at a monthly salary of no more than \$400 a month for each trainee, provided that the employment of such trainees shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Director.

Report of Insurance Committee

Mr. Will, Chairman of the Insurance Committee, gave the Committee report. After discussion, upon motion made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Attorney prepare an agreement between the Authority and Harold W. Horton

to provide that Mr. Horton will submit a report at the end of the first thirty days at a cost not to exceed \$1500 and to charge at the rate of \$125 per working day for the number of days it takes to complete and finalize his report, such time not to exceed one year from the date of the agreement and the final total to be paid by the Authority not to exceed \$5,000.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Executive Director and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute such Agreement.

Payment to Dykema, Jones & Wheat and Jeffries Banknote Company

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

RESOLVED, that the Controller be and he is hereby authorized to pay the amount of \$1,215.40 to Dykema, Jones & Wheat of Detroit for legal services and the amount of \$1,514.60 to Jeffries Banknote Company for printing of Equipment Trust Certificates in connection with the issuance and sale of Metropolitan Transit Authority Equipment Trust Certificates Series A, in principal amount of \$2,208,000.

Designation of "Transit Authority Building"

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

RESOLVED, that the building located at 1050 South Broadway be and the same hereby is to be designated and known as "Transit Authority Building."

Report of Purchasing Committee

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



inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 7;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that charges for work performed by the Authority for all other persons, partnerships or corporations shall be made according to Part 2 of the schedule inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 7.

"Operator of the Month" Program

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

RESOLVED, that the "Operator of the Month" program discussed at this meeting be and the same is hereby approved.

Meetings of the Authority

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

RESOLVED, that the Rules and Regulations of the Authority are amended by deleting Section 3.1 and substituting therefor the following:

"3.1 Regular and Special Meetings. The Members of the Authority shall meet twice each month, on the first and third Tuesdays, unless such a Tuesday is a holiday, in which case the meeting shall be held on the succeeding Tuesday. These meetings shall be known as the regular meetings. Other meetings may be called by the Chairman or any three Members at any time. Any such other meetings shall be known as special meetings."

Standing Committees of the Authority

Mr. Will made the following statement: "I would like

offer for your consideration the doing away with Standing Committees. This would not preclude the appointment of Special Committees by the Chair for a single report or special items that come up, but would completely do away with all of the Standing Committees where only three people get into the complete discussion and understanding of the subject under discussion. The purpose of this is instead of having Standing Committees, the Authority would constitute itself as a Committee of the Whole, and all matters which require study would be studied by the whole Authority, by every member of the Authority, because the Committee of the Whole would be under the same rules as the Authority--a quorum of the Authority would constitute a quorum of the Committee of the Whole."

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

RESOLVED, that the General Attorney be and he is hereby instructed to prepare a resolution amending the Rules and Regulations in relation to Standing Committees, such resolution to be presented to the next meeting of the Authority.

Adjustment of Schedules

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized to make such adjustments in the schedules

of the Authority's transit lines as are necessary to conform to the requirements of the riding public.

Authorization to Sign Checks

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association as a designated depository of this Authority be and it (including its correspondent banks) is hereby authorized, requested and directed to honor all checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the Authority's name on its accounts (including those drawn to the individual order of any person or persons whose names appear thereon as signer or signers thereof) when bearing the facsimile signatures of the following, as indicated:

Signed by

- Martin Follard, Treasurer
- S. Underwood, Assistant Treasurer
- T. V. Collins, Assistant Treasurer
- H. L. Black, Assistant Treasurer
- J. L. Pujol, Assistant Treasurer

Countersigned by any one of the following

- Carl P. Miller, Chairman
- Clarence A. Kinder, Vice Chairman
- Ralph P. Merritt, Executive Director

and the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association (including its correspondent banks) shall be entitled to honor and to charge the Authority for all such checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, regardless of by whom or by what means the actual facsimile signature or signatures thereon may have been affixed thereto, if such facsimile signature or signatures resemble the facsimile specimens from time to time filed with the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association by the secretary or other officer of the Authority. That all previous authorizations for the signing and

accepting of checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money drawn on the said Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association by the Authority are hereby continued in full force and effect as amplified hereby.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Chairman and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute a Certificate of Authority of Officers to the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, and that the officers named therein have been duly elected and are so qualified to sign as such officers on behalf of the Authority; and that the specimen signatures appearing opposite the names and titles on the Certificate of Authority of Officers are the genuine signatures of such officers and that the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, Corporate Trust Department, is authorized to recognize such signatures until further notice is the contrary is given to said bank.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, Board of Directors and Board of Directors, do hereby...

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, dated July 1, 1958, authorized the Authority and Transit Casualty Company to store the records on the fourth floor, together with the Board of Directors, of the Transit Authority Building at 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, and the same is hereby approved, subject to execution of said records by the Transit Casualty Company.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Executive Director and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute such agreements.

RESOLUTIONS OF VARIOUS AGREEMENTS

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors, do hereby...

WHEREAS, the "Pole Lease for Attachment of Electric Light, Power, Telephone or Telegraph Lines", inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 8, has been approved as to form by the General Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the "Eye Bolt Permit Form", inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 9, has been approved as to form by the General Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the "Property Owner's Permit Form", inserted in the minute book immediately following these minutes as Exhibit 10, has been approved as to form by the General Attorney; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Authority to enter into such agreements from time to time;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the General Manager is authorized to enter into such agreements from time to time as may be necessary for the business of the Authority.

Appointment of Assistant Controller

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that E. H. Uecker be appointed to the office of Assistant Controller;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Assistant Controller, in the absence of the Controller, perform all the duties and possess all the powers of the Controller.

Repayment of Money Advanced from State Treasury

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

WHEREAS, the Authority has expended \$45,159.81 of the sum of money advanced to it from the General

Fund of the State Treasury of the State of California;  
and

WHEREAS, the Authority is obligated to repay such amount by reason of \$9.5 of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority Act of 1957, which provides:

"It is the intent of the Legislature that the Authority shall be supported from sources other than the State Treasury. The Authority shall pay into the General Fund in the State Treasury an amount equal to the total of any funds hereto appropriated and expended from that fund, from the money first available through the sale of revenue bonds."

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the above sum of money be paid to the State pursuant to the invoice received from the Controller of the State of California, dated April 25, 1958.

Coffee Shop - Consent to Assignment of Lease

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director and the Secretary be and they hereby are authorized to execute the Consent to Assignment of Lease relating to Coffee Shop space at the Transit Authority Building at 1060 South Broadway in the form attached to these minutes as Exhibit 11.

Next Meeting

After discussion, on motion made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the next regular meeting of the Authority be held at the Authority's Board Room at the Transit Authority Building, 1060 South Broadway, at 3:00 p.m. on May 20, 1958.