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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 Board Room, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles 15, California, at 10:30 o'clock a.m. on October 21, 1958, at which time the Chairman called the meeting to order.

Chairman Carl P. Miller, Members Fred S. Dean, Hayden F. Jones, Russell A. Quisenberry, Arthur J. Will, and Clarence A. Winder attended. Member Don Belding was absent. Also present were Executive Director Ralph P. Merritt; General Attorney Gerald G. Kelly; R. F. MacNally, Assistant General Manager; Public Relations Director James H. Raport; Treasurer Wm. W. Wakelee; George Burpee and Ernest V. Gerlach of Coverdale & Colpitts, Consulting Engineers of the Authority; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; Administrative Assistant James H. Lyons; Stephen O'Donnell and John Wagner of the Public Relations Department; representatives of the press; and the public.

The Minutes of the regular meeting held on October 7, 1958 were approved.

Report of Executive Director ✓

The Executive Director reported that the Senate Subcommittee on Transportation, Senator Richard Richards, Chairman, and Senator Randolph Collier, with Assemblyman Charles Wilson attending, met on October 16th and 17th for hearings in Los Angeles, with Chairman Carl Miller, Executive Director Ralph Merritt, General Attorney Gerald Kelly and Mr. George W. Burpee, Senior Partner of Coverdale & Colpitts, as witnesses. The Executive Director reported that he had filed the following documents with Senator Richards:

1. Summary of statement by Chairman Miller and Executive Director Ralph Merritt;
2. Copy of Trust Indenture;
3. Copy of Official Statement of Authority for the issuance of bonds;
4. Copy of Rules and Regulations of the Authority;
5. Requested statement of employees of the Authority receiving \$1000 a month or more;
6. Requested statement of six months' accrual of revenues, operating expenses and debt services.

The Executive Director also reported that General Manager Cone Bass, Treasurer-Controller William Wakelee, and Executive Director Ralph Merritt attended and participated in the Annual Meeting of the American Transit Association held in New Orleans, October 13, 14 and 15, 1958.

Report of Public Relations Director ✓

Mr. Raport presented the report of the Public Relations Department. A copy of said report is on file in the office of the Secretary. In addition to his written report, Mr. Raport also discussed an article written by William Ballentine appearing in the November issue of Holliday Magazine.

Line 35 - Express Service - San Fernando Valley ✓

After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, this Authority on August 5, 1958 authorized a 60-day experimental trial of Line 35 to provide express service to and from the San Fernando Valley; and

WHEREAS, the response to this express service has been excellent and has attracted a large number of passengers who formerly drove their automobiles;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Line 35 be and it hereby is continued for an indefinite period.

Changes of Bus Stops ✓

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

RESOLVED, that the report of the General Manager relating to bus stop changes as discussed at this meeting be and the same is hereby ratified and approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said report be filed with the Secretary of the Authority.

Temporary Reroutings ✓

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

RESOLVED, that the temporary reroutings on Line 75-S along Burton Way between Oakhurst Drive and San Vicente be and the same are hereby ratified and approved.

Turnaround Loop - Line 49 ✓

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

RESOLVED, that the present temporary turnaround loop for Line 49 at Century Boulevard and Figueroa Street be and the same is hereby made permanent.

Disposal of Surplus Property ✓

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

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to remove, salvage or scrap 15 fare boxes (originally used on former Asbury Rapid Transit lines) numbered 14 to 28, inclusive.

Purchase of two One-Half Ton Panel Trucks ✓

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 two 1959 Ford Model F100 1/2 ton panel trucks to be numbered 183 and 184 at a cost of \$4,050, including

sales tax and cost of preparing truck for service.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to sell to the highest bidder the following motor vehicles:

- ✓ a. Truck No. 139 (1947 GMC 1/2 ton panel truck)
- ✓ b. Truck No. 152 (1950 Chevrolet 1/2 ton panel truck)

Purchase of 2-1/2 Ton Stake Truck ✓

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 one 1959 GMC 2-1/2 ton stake truck with automatic transmission and hydraulic lift tail gate, to be numbered 185, at a cost of \$5,500 including sales tax and cost of preparing truck for service; ✓

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to sell to the highest bidder Truck No. 156 (1948 GMC 5 ton stake body). ✓

Disposal of Surplus Property

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

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to abandon and sell, or salvage and scrap, to highest bidders, 40 Type H-3 and H-4 street cars, together with spare motors and accessories, numbered 1240, 1281, 1290, 1385 to 1387, inclusive, 1412, 1415 to 1424, inclusive, 1426 to 1436, inclusive, 1438 to 1446, inclusive, and 1448 to 1450, inclusive. ✓

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to abandon and sell, salvage or scrap, to highest bidders, the following: ✓

- 1 Kelite Steam Cleaner  
Model SG, Serial SG-1329, 110 volt
- 1 Malsbary Steam Cleaner  
Model 250-GBS, Serial 5142, 110 volt
- 1 Storm King Steam Cleaner  
Model F6#3, Serial 397, 110 volt
- 1 Furnace Carburizing Machine  
Model 1-FB Rotary Gas Carburizer  
1/2 HP 220-440 volt motor Ser. 202-13
- 1 Hampden Corundum Wheel Grinder  
Duplex for grinding wheels on axle  
2 G.E. 7-1/2 HP 220-440 V. motors  
1 U.S. 2HP motor, Ser. 971836  
(G.E. motors Model 5K284D1023  
Serials 2D28265 & 2D28266)
- 1 Band Saw, 38" wheel, belt drive  
7-1/2 HP G.E. motor #1677451, 220 volt  
Oliver Machine Co. Mfr. #18915
- 1 Jointer, 18" x 86" bed, model Porter "C"  
"MCL" No. 359  
C. O. Porter Company
- 1 Planer, Buss Manufacturer  
8" x 30", belt drive  
10 HP motor #123491, 220 volt  
Holland & Grand Machine Company

Employment of Schedule Maker ✓

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

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to employ one schedule maker at a salary of \$538.00 per month on a permanent basis.

Disposal of Surplus Property ✓

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

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to dispose of seven (7) typewriters, as follows:

Underwood 4022771-11  
 Underwood S5277495  
 Underwood 257633  
 Remington Rand JC 542605  
 Remington Rand J 184567  
 IBM 220752  
 Remington Rand JD 112769

Transfer Advertising Agreements ✓

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Authority, subject to approval of the General Attorney as to form, agreements with the following firms relating to refunding of token fares and advertising on back of transfers for period from December 10, 1958 to July 25, 1959:

Accousticon of Los Angeles  
 Harris & Frank  
 Paramount Downtown Theatre  
 Marinello School of Beauty Culture

Agreement with P.E. Railway Co. - Employment of Janitors

The Executive Director reported that at the present time the Authority has a contract with Pacific Electric Railway Company by which the Authority pays Pacific Electric the sum of approximately \$5600 per month for janitorial service at the 6th and Main Street Station, and that Pacific Electric has now agreed to permit the Authority to take over



the janitorial services as of November 1, 1958. Mr.

Merritt reported that this could be done at a cost per month of \$3,617 of which Pacific Electric would absorb 20%.

Mr. Kelly reported that this matter was a portion of a contract of major significance presently being negotiated with Pacific Electric. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to employ, effective November 1, 1958, the following personnel at the salaries indicated:

- 8 Janitors at \$306 each per month ✓
- 3 Matrons at \$280 each per month ✓
- 1 Lead Janitor at \$329 per month ✓

or a total monthly cost of \$3,617.00, twenty per cent (20%) of which monthly cost will be borne by Pacific Electric Railway Company, provided however, that such employment is subject to the General Attorney's approval as to form of the contract presently being negotiated between the Authority and Pacific Electric Railway Company.

Employment of Steno-Clerk for Insurance Manager ✓

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

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director be and he is hereby authorized to employ a Steno-clerk for the Insurance Manager at a starting salary of \$300 per month, to be increased to \$325 per month after demonstration of ability.

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 October 9, 1958 to October 16, 1958, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved and the appropriate payments are hereby authorized.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said report be filed with the Secretary of the Authority.

Service Changes ✓

A report of the service changes as set forth in a memorandum dated October 17, 1958 from Mr. George F. Goehler to Mr. Cone T. Bass was presented to the meeting. A copy of said report is on file in the office of the Secretary.

San Pedro Line - Substitution of Motor Coaches ✓

The Executive Director reported that at the next regular meeting of the Authority on November 4, 1958, he would submit to the Authority plans for the substitution of motor coaches for rail car service on the San Pedro line, including plans for a new Freeway Flyer service.

Appointment of Certified Public Accountant

On August 5, 1958 a Committee, consisting of Arthur J. Will, Chairman, Clarence A. Winder and Fred S. Dean, was appointed to recommend a Certified Public Accountant to be retained by the Authority. Mr. Will read the report of the Committee, which report is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. After discussion, upon motion duly made, seconded and

unanimously carried, it was

RESOLVED, that the firm of Lybrand, Ross Bros. and Montgomery be and the same is hereby employed for a period of two years to make the necessary annual audits for the Authority;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Attorney be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to prepare an appropriate contract between the Authority and Lybrand, Ross Bros. and Montgomery;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Carl P. Miller, Chairman of the Authority, be and he is hereby authorized to execute such an agreement on behalf of the Authority.

GMC Bus Purchase

The General Attorney reported that pursuant to instructions of the Authority on October 7, 1958, he had concluded negotiations with the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association to finance the purchase of 20 GMC Model TDM 4515 forty-five passenger suburban type motor coaches.

Mr. Kelly summarized the results of the negotiations and stated that the transaction would be handled in the same manner as the previous transaction for 110 buses was handled last March.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried it was

RESOLVED, that the negotiations as reported at this meeting with the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association to finance the purchase of 20 GMC Model TDM 4515 forty-five passenger suburban type motor coaches be and the same are hereby ratified and approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Attorney be and he is hereby authorized to retain the law firms of Curtis, Doolittle, Harrington & Subellie in San Francisco and Lyman, Jones & Wheat in Detroit, Michigan in connection with said purchase;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the General Attorney be and he is hereby authorized to arrange for the printing of the trust agreement and trust certificates relating to said purchase.

Annual Budget - Publication of Notice

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

WHEREAS, Section 101 of the Trust Indenture, dated January 1, 1958, entered into between the Authority and Bank of America requires notice to be given of a public hearing on the Authority's proposed budget for the calendar year 1959; and

WHEREAS, such hearing will be held by the Authority at 1:30 p.m. on November 19, 1958 in Room 207, Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority Building, 1000 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Attorney be and he is hereby authorized to publish the "Notice of Public Hearing on Proposed Budget of the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority for the Calendar Year 1959" discussed at this meeting and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Creation of Bonds, Coupons, etc.

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

WHEREAS, the Bank of America National Trust and Savings Association, as Trustee under the Trust Indenture, dated January 1, 1958 and as Trustee under the Equipment Trust Agreement, dated

