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Upon notice duly given, the Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District met at a regular meeting in the District Board Room, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California, at 10:00 a.m. on June 17, 1969, at which time President Kermit M. Bill called the meeting to order.

Directors Kermit M. Bill, Charles E. Compton, A. J. Eyraud, Jr., Leonard S. Gleckman, David K. Hayward, Herbert H. Krauch, Don C. McMillan, Thomas G. Neusom and Douglas A. Newcomb were present. Directors Michael E. Macke and Norman Topping were absent.

Also present were Assistant General Manager for Operations George F. Goehler; Assistant General Manager for Rapid Transit Development Jack R. Gilstrap; Assistant General Manager for Engineering Richard Gallagher; Controller-Auditor-Treasurer H. L. Black; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; and the public.

Temporary Route Diversions

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-142

RESOLVED, that the temporary route diversions caused by construction work affecting Lines 2, 12, 24, 25, 32, 56 and 124, as described in report dated June 9, 1969 filed with the Secretary, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved.

Changes of Bus Stop Zones

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-143

RESOLVED, that the report dated June 9, 1969 relating to bus stop changes, filed with the Secretary, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved.

Report of Purchasing Agent - Statement of Purchases Over \$99.99, Except Routine Stock Supplies, Repairs and Prior Authorized Approvals

Pursuant to Section 8.2 of the Rules and Regulations, the Purchasing Agent's Statement of Purchases Over \$99.99, Except Routine Stock Supplies, Repairs and Prior Authorized Approvals, dated June 3, 1969, was presented to the meeting and was ordered "Received and Filed." A copy of the Statement is filed with the Secretary.

Approval of Extension of Non-Contract Employees' Medical Plan

After discussion, on motion of Director Newcomb, Chairman of the Personnel & Administrative Procedures Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-144

WHEREAS, the Personnel & Administrative Procedures Committee on June 16, 1969 considered the General Manager's recommendation to extend the Non-Contract Employees' Medical Plan for a six-month period commencing July 1, 1969 in order to provide time for a detailed study of other types of plans which might be available to District employees, and approved the General Manager's recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Non-Contract Employees' Medical Plan be and hereby is extended for a six-month period commencing July 1, 1969.

Approval of Requisition No. 4400-723A - Printing of "Two Bells"

After discussion, on motion of Director Krauch, Vice-Chairman of the Public Information & Marketing Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-145

WHEREAS, the Public Information & Marketing Committee on June 12, 1969 considered the General Manager's recommendation that Requisition No. 4400-723A, covering the cost of printing the District house organ, "TWO BELLS," for the six-month period commencing July 1, 1969, at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00, be approved, and that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to award a contract for the printing to the lowest responsible bidder, and the Committee approved the recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 4400-723A, covering the cost of printing "TWO BELLS" for the six-month period commencing July 1, 1969, at a cost not to exceed \$5,000.00, be and the same is hereby approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Purchasing Agent be and he hereby is authorized to issue invitations to bid on the printing under Requisition No. 4400-723A in accordance with the Rules and Regulations and to award the contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder.

) Operating Report for the Month of May, 1969

The Operating Report for the Month of May, 1969 was presented to the meeting and was ordered "Received and Filed." A copy of the Report is filed with the Secretary.

Report of Director Krauch on Western Regional Conference of American Transit Association in Seattle, June 8-11, 1969

Director Krauch reported to the meeting on his attendance at the Western Regional Conference of the American Transit Association in Seattle on June 8-11, 1969, as follows:

"Among the encouraging things we heard at the meeting in Seattle were talks by J. D. Braman who was formerly Mayor of Seattle; Carlos Villarreal of the U. S. Department of Transportation, and President Caria of the American Transit Association, all of which indicated that something is finally being done in Washington to really help build rapid transit systems in the cities of the United States. We were told that President Nixon has placed mass transit financing legislation on his top ten priority list and that Secretary Volpe will introduce a Transit Trust Fund proposal in Congress that could grant as much as one billion dollars a year over a period of ten years to solve the transportation problems in the cities.

From Cleveland we heard a report that the new rapid transit line to the airport completed last year has proved a great success and is carrying more than half the air passengers who formerly took taxis and airport buses, plus most of the airport employees who formerly drove their cars. They showed some slides of parking lots. These parking lots all hold 2,000 cars and every one of them is full every day. The parking is free, incidentally. To me, it indicated that one of our first priorities in Los Angeles should be the rapid transit line from downtown to the airport.

Another interesting report came from the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, which went to the exact fare or "Ready Fare" system, as they call it, about a year ago. The first week, they had 400 redemption slips

"and within two weeks they were down to ten or less. They are getting 5 or 6 a week now, so this creates no problem. Their bus riders have increased two per cent in the first ten months. They spent about \$20,000 over a period of two months to promote the program with pamphlets and with radio, TV and newspaper ads.

Arrangements were made with the Bank of America and other outlets to sell tokens without cost to the District. They set up a format for the switch-over to Ready Fare, which we can well afford to follow. I have given a full report on their program to the Marketing Committee, the staff and our advertising agency. Al Bingham, President of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District has offered to give us copies of all the material they used in their campaign, and I think it would be a great deal of help to us.

That is all I have to report."

Non-Contract Employees - Reclassification of Secretarial  
Position in Accounting & Fiscal Department

Upon approval of the nine Directors present, consideration of reclassification of a secretarial position in the Accounting & Fiscal Department was added to the Agenda.

Director Newcomb, Chairman of the Personnel & Administrative Procedures Committee, reported that the Committee on June 16, 1969 considered the General Manager's recommendation to reclassify the Secretary II position in the Accounting & Fiscal Department to Secretary III, and the Committee approved the General Manager's recommendation.

After discussion, on motion of Director Newcomb, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-146

RESOLVED, that the Southern California Rapid Transit District Position Classification and Salary

Plan be and hereby is amended to reclassify the following position, effective as of June 22, 1969:

<u>DEPT.</u>	<u>ID No.</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>ID No.</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>ANNIV.</u> <u>DATE</u>
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Approval of Requisition No. 3100-282 - Assault & Robbery  
Life Insurance Policy

Upon approval of the nine Directors present, consideration of Requisition No. 3100-282, covering the obtaining of an Assault & Robbery Life Insurance Policy, was added to the Agenda.

Director Newcomb, Chairman of the Personnel & Administrative Procedures Committee, reported that the Committee on June 16, 1969 considered the General Manager's recommendation that the District immediately invite bids for a one-year Assault & Robbery Life Insurance Policy at an estimated cost of \$8,000.00, which would provide a \$50,000 death benefit upon the death of an operator as the result of an injury or illness received during an assault or robbery while the employee is on duty, as set forth in Requisition No. 3100-282 presented to the Committee. Chairman Newcomb further reported that this matter was the result of negotiations with the United Transportation Union and that the District had tentatively agreed, subject to approval of the Board of Directors, to immediately take out such a policy, and that the Committee approved the General Manager's recommendation.

After discussion, on motion of Director Newcomb, seconded and unaimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-147

RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 3100-282, covering Felonious Assault Accident coverage in the principal sum of \$50,000 for loss of life during an assault and/or robbery against the employee while on duty or loss of life as a result of an injury or illness received during an assault and/or robbery against the employee while on duty, for a one-year term at an estimated cost of \$8,000.00 based upon an estimated average of 2,500 full-time transit vehicle drivers, be and the same is hereby approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Purchasing Agent be and he hereby is authorized to immediately invite bids for a one-year Assault & Robbery Life Insurance Policy, as described above, and to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder.

Retention of Services of Pension Consultants - Coates, Herfurth & England, Consulting Actuaries

Upon approval of the nine Directors present, consideration of the matter of ratification of the General Manager's action in securing the services of a pension consultant in connection with the pension discussions involved in the current Union contract negotiations, was added to the Agenda.

Director Newcomb, Chairman of the Personnel & Administrative Procedures Committee, reported that the Committee on June 16, 1969 considered the General Manager's report requesting ratification of his action in securing the services of a pension consultant to review the provisions proposed to be included in retirement plans of the three Unions involved in the contract negotiations, at a cost not to exceed \$2,500, and it was the Committee's recommendation that the General Manager's action be ratified.

After discussion, on motion of Director Newcomb, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:



RESOLUTION NO. R-69-148

RESOLVED, that the action of the General Manager in securing the services of Coates, Herfurth & England, Consulting Actuaries, to review provisions proposed to be included in retirement plans involved in the contract negotiations with the three Unions, at a cost not to exceed \$2,500.00, be and the same is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Report of General Manager

In the absence of General Manager Nelson, Mr. Goehler read the General Manager's Report on the activities of the District since the last Regular Board Meeting on June 3, 1969. A copy of the Report is attached to these Minutes as Exhibit 1.

Next Regular Meeting

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-69-149

RESOLVED, that the next Regular Meeting of the District be held at the District's Board Room in the Transit District Building, 1060 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California, on Tuesday, July 1, 1969, at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

VIRGINIA L. REES

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Secretary

General Manager's Report  
For Board Meeting, June 17, 1969

Appearances before Legislative groups, along with contact with government, business and civic groups, continue as major aspects of the General Manager's activities.

The General Manager is in Sacramento today, appearing before the Assembly Ways & Means Committee hearing on the Lanterman Bill (AB 2136) providing for a six-month, half-cent sales tax.

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I appeared before the Assembly Transportation and Commerce Committee on June 5, when that group gave unanimous approval to AB 2136 and forwarded it to the Ways & Means Committee.

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Representatives of the District have continued their appearances before City Councils and Chambers of Commerce to discuss the Lanterman Bill.

In Long Beach, the City Council endorsed AB 2136, recommending that the appropriation of receipts be based on mileage rather than population.

And endorsement of the bill has also come from the City Councils of both Sierra Madre and El Monte.

The Los Angeles City Council's State, County and Federal Affairs Committee endorsed the legislation and urged the full council to support the bill when it considers endorsement on Thursday of this week.

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The Senate Committee on Public Utilities has scheduled a hearing on the District's Charter Legislation (AB 1129) for next Monday, June 23. I will be in Sacramento for the hearing.

It is planned to amend the bill to include the Santa Clara Transit District, an action which would require the bill to be sent back to the Assembly for concurrence.

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I have met with the Transportation Committee of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, to discuss current activities concerning transit at the federal level.

I urged the Committee to consider endorsing the Federal Transit Trust Concept being considered for introduction in the Congress.

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On June 4th, Mr. Gallagher and I met with Robert Hatfield, Vice President and General Manager of Century City.

It was explained to him that in our opinion the Century City area is faced with a serious transportation distribution problem and possibly they would be interested in some of the modes of transportation that the District's Transit Technology Review Board has had the opportunity of reviewing.

We told Mr. Hatfield they could possibly solve their problem with the help of the Federal Government and at the same time provide for the practical application of one or more of the modes being reviewed.

Mr. Hatfield's group was very receptive and took the matter under consideration.

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The General Manager has conferred on the District's legislative program with Publisher Ferdinand Mendenhall, of the Van Nuys News, and with Bernard Ridder, publisher, and Ed Essertiser, editor, at the Pasadena Independent and Star News.

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Last week several representatives from the District attended the American Transit Association's Western Regional Conference in Seattle.

I participated in a Legislative workshop session along with other West Coast transit people and Bob Sloan, A. T. A. Executive Vice President.

At the Conference I met a lot of representatives from other transit properties, as well as people from the Department of Transportation in Washington that were there.

I talked to former Seattle Mayor Braman who is now Assistant Secretary for Urban Systems and Environment and Carlos C. Villareal, Administrator, Urban Mass Transportation Administration. I feel the trip was quite profitable to the District.

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The General Manager was the guest speaker last night at a dinner meeting of the Supervisors Unit, Local 18, National Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

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