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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 March 17, 1970, at which time President Herbert H. Krauch called the meeting to order.

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

Also present were General Manager Samuel B. Nelson; General Counsel Milton McKay; Assistant General Manager for Operations George F. Goehler; Assistant General Manager for Engineering Richard Gallagher; Assistant Controller-Auditor-Treasurer J. L. Pujol; Secretary Virginia L. Rees; and the public.

Past President Kermit M. Bill - Resolution of Appreciation

President Krauch announced that, since Past President Kermit M. Bill was not present at the meeting today, he would read into the record the following resolution of appreciation of the Board of Directors for Mr. Bill's outstanding services to the District during the past twelve months, and that a copy of the resolution signed by all of the Directors will be presented to him at a later meeting:

RESOLUTION

In that Kermit M. Bill has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Southern California Rapid Transit District since the founding of the RTD in 1964; and

In that he has served as President of the Southern California Rapid Transit District during the past year; and

In that Kermit M. Bill has given of his talent, time and energy in the cause of improved mobility in the Los Angeles area; and

In that his leadership has contributed to the implementation of public transportation programs benefiting all the Southland;

His fellow Directors on the Board of the Southern California Rapid Transit District do convey their individual and collective appreciation for the effective guidance by their President:

KERMIT M. BILL

which resolution was thereupon unanimously seconded and carried.

Past Vice-President David K. Hayward - Resolution of
Appreciation

Vice-President Thomas G. Neusom thereupon presented to Past Vice-President David K. Hayward a resolution of appreciation of the Board of Directors for his services as Vice-President of the District during the past year, reading:

RESOLUTION

In that David K. Hayward has served as the Central & Southwest Corridor Director on the Board of the Southern California Rapid Transit District since May, 1966; and

In that he has served as Vice-President of the Rapid Transit District during the past year; and

In that David K. Hayward has devoted unselfish measures of time and energy in the cause of improved public transportation; and

In that his efforts have placed the community closer to the goal of improved and expanded public transportation;

His fellow Directors on the Board of the Southern California Rapid Transit District do convey their individual and collective appreciation for the effective service of their Vice-President:

DAVID K. HAYWARD

and the resolution was unanimously carried and adopted.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 3, 1970 were approved.

Certificate of Merit

Director Newcomb presented the District's Certificate of Merit to Dale F. Hamilton, Operator-of-the-Month for February, 1970 in recognition of the outstanding courtesy displayed by Mr. Hamilton toward his passengers and the public.

Temporary Route Diversions

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-56

RESOLVED, that the temporary route diversions caused by construction work affecting Lines 10, 33, 60-G, 83, 86, 92, 115 and 122, as described in report dated March 9, 1970 filed with the Secretary, be and the same are hereby ratified and approved.

Changes of Bus Stop Zones

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-57

RESOLVED, that the report dated March 9, 1970 relating to bus stop changes, filed with the Secretary, be and the same is hereby ratified and approved.

Approval of Authorization For Expenditure No. 436

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-58

RESOLVED, that Authorization For Expenditure No. 436, covering miscellaneous requisitions of \$100 and over, but less than \$1,000, as discussed at this meeting and attached to these Minutes as Exhibit 1, be and the same is hereby approved.

Report of Purchasing Agent - Statement of Material & Supplies Account

Pursuant to Section 8.3 D of the Rules and Regulations, the Purchasing Agent's Statement of Material & Supplies Account for the Month of January, 1970 was presented to the meeting and was ordered "Received and Filed." A copy of the Statement is filed with the Secretary.

Report of Purchasing Agent - Statement of Purchases over \$99.99, Except Routine Purchased Material or Supplies for Stock and for Ordinary Repairs

Pursuant to Section 8.2 of the Rules and Regulations, the Purchasing Agent's Statement of Purchases over \$99.99, Except Routine Purchased Material or Supplies for Stock and for Ordinary Repairs, submitted March 2, 1970, was presented to the meeting and was ordered "Received and Filed." A copy of the Report is filed with the Secretary.

Approval of Requisition No. 8400-161 - Purchase of Four (4) Electrically Driven Johnson Model No. NNE Coin Counters

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-59

WHEREAS, on November 4, 1969 the Board of Directors by Resolution No. R-69-245 approved Second Revised Authorization For Expenditure No. 416, covering, among other things, under Item D thereof the purchase and installation of ticket and coin equipment for Central Counting Room in the total amount of \$24,200.00, which equipment is necessary for the implementation of the Exact Fare Program; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 1970 the Surface Operations Committee considered report dated March 12, 1970 of General Manager Samuel B. Nelson recommending approval of Requisition No. 8400-161, covering the purchase of four (4) electrically driven Johnson Model No. NNE coin counters without side trays for Central Cash Counting Room, together with the bid specifications attached thereto, at an estimated cost of \$5,160.00, including tax and freight, and authorization of the Purchasing Agent to call for bids thereon in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and to award contract to the lowest responsible bidder; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager advised the Surface Operations Committee that the Urban Mass Transportation Administration on February 27, 1970 approved the specifications for said equipment in accordance with Capital Improvement Grant No. CAL-UTG-24; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee on March 16, 1970 concurred in General Manager Nelson's recommendation and approved Requisition No. 8400-161;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8400-161, covering the purchase of four (4) electrically driven Johnson Model No. NNE coin counters without side trays for Central Cash Counting Room, in accordance with specifications attached thereto, at an estimated cost of \$5,160.00, including tax and freight; be and the same is hereby approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Purchasing Agent be and he hereby is authorized to call for bids on the equipment above described under Requisition No. 8400-161, and to award contract to the lowest responsible bidder thereon; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Approval of Requisition No. 8400-163

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-60

WHEREAS, on November 4, 1969 the Board of Directors by Resolution No. R-69-245 approved Second Revised Authorization For Expenditure No. 416, covering, among other things, under Item G thereof the engineering and construction of a Central Cash Counting Room in the total amount of \$191,800.00, which building is necessary in the implementation of the Exact Fare Program; and

WHEREAS, the Building and Safety Code of the City of Los Angeles requires that, since there will be no outside ventilation and since the doors of the Central Cash Counting Room will be electrically interlocked for security purposes, an emergency generator set be installed in the building so that electrical service can be maintained in the event of a power failure; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 1970 the Surface Operations Committee considered report dated March 12, 1970 of General Manager Samuel B. Nelson recommending approval of Requisition No. 8400-163, covering the purchase of an Auxiliary Diesel Generator Set for the Central Cash Counting Building, in accordance with the specifications attached thereto, at an estimated cost of \$13,125.00, including tax, and authorization of the Purchasing Agent to call for bids thereon in accordance with the Rules and Regulations and to award contract to the lowest responsible bidder; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager advised the Surface Operations Committee that the Urban Mass Transportation Administration on March 4, 1970 approved the specifications for this equipment in accordance with Capital Improvement Grant No. CAL-UTG-24; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager further advised the Committee that sufficient contingency funds had been provided under Item G of Second Revised Authorization For Expenditure No. 416 to cover the cost of the Auxiliary Diesel Generator Set above described; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee on March 16, 1970 concurred in General Manager Nelson's recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 8400-163, covering the purchase of an Auxiliary Diesel Generator Set for the Central Cash Counting Building, in accordance with the specifications attached thereto, at an estimated cost of \$13,125.00, including tax, be and the same is hereby approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Purchasing Agent be and he hereby is authorized to call for bids on the equipment above described in Requisition No. 8400-163, and to award contract to the lowest responsible bidder thereon; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Approval of Requisition No. 4400-928A

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-61

WHEREAS, the Public Information & Marketing Committee on March 17, 1970 considered General Manager Samuel B. Nelson's report dated March 16, 1970 recommending approval of Requisition No. 4400-928A, covering the production costs of silkscreen exterior bus signs, including 300 King, 300 Queen, 108 headlight and 210 taillight signs, in accordance with the specifications attached thereto, at an estimated cost of \$10,000.00, and authorization of the Purchasing Agent to call for bids thereon in accordance with the Rules and Regulations, and to award contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Committee concurred in General Manager Nelson's recommendations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Requisition No. 4400-928A, covering the production costs of silkscreen exterior bus signs, including 300 King, 300 Queen, 108 headlight and 210 taillight signs, in accordance with the specifications attached thereto, at an estimated cost of \$10,000.00, be and the same is hereby approved;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Purchasing Agent be and he hereby is authorized to call for bids on the

signs described in said Requisition No. 4400-928A in accordance with the Rules and Regulations and to award contract therefor to the lowest responsible bidder; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Director Topping was excused and left the meeting.

Approval of Ticket Sellers Agreement - Paul P. Conley & Nedra J. Conley, dba Azusa Greyhound Travel Service, Seller

After discussion, on motion of Director Compton, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-62

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee on March 16, 1970 considered General Manager Samuel B. Nelson's report dated March 13, 1970 recommending that the District enter into a Ticket Sellers Agreement with Paul P. Conley & Nedra J. Conley, dba Azusa Greyhound Travel Service, 137 East Foothill Boulevard, Azusa, as Seller, covering the sale of one-way tickets, 10-ride commutation tickets; monthly passes, zone stamps and student identification cards and providing for the payment by the District of the percentages of the sale price of the tickets, etc. sold thereunder; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee concurred in the General Manager's recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he hereby is authorized to execute on behalf of the District a Ticket Sellers Agreement between the Southern California Rapid Transit District and Paul P. Conley & Nedra J. Conley, dba Azusa Greyhound Travel Service, as Seller, covering the sale of one-way tickets, 10-ride commutation tickets, monthly passes, zone stamps and student identification cards and providing for the payment by the District of the percentages of the sale price of the tickets, etc. sold thereunder; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Operating Report for the Month of February, 1970

The Operating Report for the Month of February, 1970 was presented to the meeting and was ordered "Received and Filed." A copy of the Report is filed with the Secretary.

Approval of Temporary Ticket Sellers Agreement - Knickerbocker
Tours, Inc., Seller

Upon approval of the eight Directors present, the matter of authorization of a temporary agreement with a commission agent for the sale of monthly passes and zone stamps in the Hollywood area was added to the Agenda.

Director Compton, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, reported that the publishers of the Hollywood Citizen News and the Valley Times have notified the District that they intend to immediately discontinue the sale of monthly passes and zone stamps in the Hollywood, North Hollywood and Van Nuys areas, and that, since the Hollywood area is an important outlet for such sales, the General Manager recommends that he be authorized to enter into a temporary agreement with a commission agent for the sale of the April monthly passes and zone stamps, with payment by the District of a 3% commission on such sales; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-63

RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he hereby is authorized to execute on behalf of the

District a Ticket Sellers Agreement with Knickerbocker Tours, Inc., 1714 Ivar Avenue, Hollywood, Seller, for a period of nineteen (19) calendar days from March 25, 1970, providing for the payment of 3% of the sale price of all monthly passes and zone stamps sold, plus \$177.50 for the expense of trailer and parking space used as an office in the conduct of such sales; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Directors Gleckman and Hayward were thereupon excused, and left the meeting.

Public Information & Marketing Committee - Report of Chairman Michael E. Macke

Director Macke, Chairman of the Public Information & Marketing Committee, reported that the Committee this morning was briefed on the "ExtraCAR Week" scheduled to be held in Pasadena for the week of March 23 through 28 and, further, that a number of promotional activities will take place in relation to the ExtraCAR Week, including a declaration by the Board of Directors of the City of Pasadena proclaiming ExtraCAR Week.

Chairman Macke also reported that the Committee viewed the District's new television commercials currently being shown on Stations KNBC, KTTV and KNXT.

Director of Public Information Richard L. Manning thereupon outlined to the Directors the activities planned for the ExtraCAR Week in Pasadena, and showed the film of the television commercials to the Board.

Approval of Lease Agreement - Mrs. Frances Rodriguez, Lessor,
of Ground Floor Space Designated as 1056 South Broadway,
Los Angeles

Upon approval of the six Directors present, consideration of a lease agreement covering the ground floor space of the Transit District Building, designated as 1056 South Broadway, was added to the Agenda.

After discussion, on motion of Director Compton, Chairman of the Surface Operations Committee, seconded and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-64

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee on March 16, 1970 considered General Manager Samuel B. Nelson's report dated March 13, 1970 recommending approval of lease agreement between the District, as Lessor, and Mrs. Frances Rodriguez, as Lessee, covering that certain ground floor space of the Transit District Building designated as 1056 South Broadway, Los Angeles, for the operation of a beauty shop for a five-year term commencing April 1, 1970 at a monthly rental of \$300.00, with waiver of compliance with Section 9.10 of the Rules and Regulations and form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Surface Operations Committee concurred in the General Manager's recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Manager be and he hereby is authorized to execute on behalf of the District a lease agreement between the Southern California Rapid Transit District, as Lessor, and Mrs. Frances Rodriguez, as Lessee, covering the ground floor space of the Transit District Building designated as 1056 South Broadway, Los Angeles, for the operation of a beauty shop for a five-year term commencing April 1, 1970 at a monthly rental of \$300.00, with waiver of compliance with Section 9.10 of the Rules and Regulations; form of agreement subject to approval of the General Counsel.

Report of General Manager

General Manager Nelson reported on the activities of the District since the Regular Meeting held on February 3, 1970 when he last reported. A copy of the Report is attached to these Minutes as Exhibit 2.

Appointment of Members to Standing Committees

President Krauch announced that after discussion with General Manager Nelson, it was agreed that the Committee structure adopted by the Board on May 6, 1969 had functioned well and should be retained for 1970.

He also stated that his recommended appointments on the five working committees assign eleven posts to County representatives; nine to Corridor representatives, and five to City representatives, with two Chairmen each from the County and Corridor representatives, and one from the City, and, further, that the recommended Vice-Chairmen were divided - three from the County representatives and two from the Corridor representatives.

The Standing Committee assignments announced by President Krauch are as follows:

I. Surface Operations

Membership: Charles E. Compton, Chairman
Kermit M. Bill, Vice-Chairman
David K. Hayward
Herbert H. Krauch
Don C. McMillan

II. Public Information & Marketing

Membership: Michael E. Macke, Chairman
Thomas G. Neusom, Vice-Chairman
A. J. Eyraud, Jr.
Leonard S. Gleckman
Douglas A. Newcomb

III. Finance & Governmental Affairs

Membership: Leonard S. Gleckman, Chairman
A. J. Eyraud, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Charles E. Compton
Herbert H. Krauch
Norman Topping

IV. Advance Planning & Engineering

Membership: Norman Topping, Chairman
Don C. McMillan, Vice-Chairman
Kermit M. Bill
A. J. Eyraud, Jr.
Herbert H. Krauch

V. Personnel & Administrative Procedures

Membership: Douglas A. Newcomb, Chairman
David K. Hayward, Vice-Chairman
Charles E. Compton
Michael E. Macke
Thomas G. Neusom

VI. Executive Committee

Membership: Herbert H. Krauch, Chairman
Thomas G. Neusom, Vice-Chairman
Kermit M. Bill
David K. Hayward
Don C. McMillan

Report of President Krauch re Showing of Film on Bay Area
Rapid Transit District System Progress

President Krauch announced that last week he had the privilege of viewing a 23-minute sound color film produced by Bechtel Corporation on the progress of construction of the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's 75-mile system, and that the film would be shown after the Board Meeting for the members of the Board, Staff and any member of the public present.

Next Regular Meeting

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

RESOLUTION NO. R-70-65

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, April 7, 1970, at 10:00 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

VIRGINIA L. REES

Secretary

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

AUTHORIZATION FOR EXPENDITURE

No. 43

Budgeted Item No. See Below

March 3, 1970

Project Description

Miscellaneous Requisition

\$100 - \$1,000

Proposed by: Various
(Department Head)

Department: Various
(Number)

Project Cost Estimate and Analysis

N. Item	Req. No.	Description	Budget No.	Purchase or Contract	Labor and Materials	Total
A	8000-244	ing Mach.w/equipment 1-K&E Auto Flow Draft-/	70-6-12	189.62		189.62
B						
C						
D						
E						
F						
G						
H						
I						
J						
K						
Estimated Total Cost -						189.62

Pursuant to Section 510 of the Trust Indenture the purposes of the expenditure proposed herein are as stated above.

[Signature]
(Authorized Officer)

Approved By: *[Signature]*
(General Manager)

Verify that the expenditure proposed herein represents actual acquisitions to, replacements of or betterments to physical property, and that the value thereof will be at least equal to the cost thereof.

[Signature]
(Engineer)

Authorized by the District:
MAR 17 1970
[Signature]
(Secretary)

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

General Manager's Report
For Board Meeting, March 17, 1970

Much has occurred in the area of current bus operations and long-range planning since I last reported to you on February 3.

On February 4 we had a very successful meeting with the Los Angeles County members of the California Association of Publicly Owned Transit Systems (CAPOTS) concerning plans for implementing the one-half cent sales tax legislation. We also discussed legislative matters pending in Sacramento, and briefed those in attendance on the current status of federal legislation. Those in attendance agreed to contact their congressional representatives, urging passage of the administration's transit bill proposing federal funding for transit projects.

A general CAPOTS meeting was held in Fresno on February 6, and the District was represented at this session by Messrs. Goehler, Beardsley and Wells. The principal item on this agenda was legislation affecting Vehicle Code sections administered by the California Highway Patrol. Before adjourning the Fresno meeting, the CAPOTS group agreed to be represented at all meetings of the Motor Vehicle Advisory Committee.

On February 13 I testified at a hearing in Los Angeles of the California Senate Rapid Transit Subcommittee, chaired by Senator Alfred E. Alquist. I told the subcommittee of the benefits to the community afforded by effective public transportation, and I stressed the need for proper public funding to support and accomplish the job.

Mr. Goehler and I attended an American Transit Association Executive Conference, which was held in Scottsdale, Arizona, February 15 to 19. I made a presentation concerning the use of gas tax funds for transit. Ed R. Stokel, of General Motors, gave a very enlightening talk on specifications which the Department of Transportation is considering for future grants.

On February 18 Messrs. Gallagher and Gilstrap attended a meeting of Mayor Yorty's Transportation Advisory Committee, where discussion was held on the proposed transportation service between the Dodger Stadium and the Civic Center. I am following through on your authorization to negotiate a joint powers agreement with the city, county and Community Redevelopment Agency. In this connection we filed a letter of proposal with the Urban Mass Transportation Administration for a demonstration grant.

On February 24 members of the Staff and I met with representatives from the Aerospace Corporation. The Aerospace people gave a very interesting presentation with respect to studies which they are conducting on what is termed a personal transit system.

Also, on the 24th Mr. Goehler and I, together with Director Compton, attended a luncheon with David Crowther and other Lockheed executives to review transportation needs. This meeting indicated the interest of top officials of a major corporation in transportation requirements.

On February 25 Mr. Gallagher and I attended a legislative forum and dinner jointly sponsored by the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Institute for the Advancement of Engineering at the Sheraton Universal Hotel.

I was the principal speaker, on February 26, at a transportation seminar sponsored by the Antelope Valley Board of Trade. I described ongoing and long-range activities of the District and offered suggestions how Antelope Valley leaders can take action now to avoid some of the problems, particularly in airport transportation that Los Angeles is confronted with today.

On February 27 we had scheduled a luncheon and tour of the proposed Exclusive Express Busway for members of the Los Angeles City Council and their staffs. Due to the Council session running late that day, we were not able to take them on the bus tour which had been planned, but we did have the opportunity to take two of the Councilmen to lunch and to explain the plans for the express busway. We plan to schedule a subsequent meeting when it is convenient for the Councilmen.

Messrs. Gilstrap, Stubbs and I were in Washington during the first week of March. I was called to testify on Senate Bill 3154, the Senate-passed federal transit legislation now before the Housing Subcommittee of the House Banking and Currency Committee. Representative Dick Hanna, the ranking California member of the full committee, had planned to introduce me, but he was unable to attend because of the services for Congressman James B. Utt. I was introduced by the chairman of the subcommittee.

While in Washington, I had a luncheon meeting with Carlos Villarreal, administrator of the Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA), Bill Hurd and Dr. Hemmes of Mr. Hurd's staff.

We also made calls on various members of our congressional delegation offices to discuss our pending applications for funds for new buses and the proposed Exclusive Express Busway.

The luncheon we planned for March 4 with the congressional delegation from our service area was postponed due to the death of Congressman James B. Utt. It has now been rescheduled for April 8. You recall, Mr. President, that our next Board meeting is on April 7, so those who plan to attend should be prepared to leave directly after the Board meeting, but I will confirm this date in the interim.

In conjunction with the delegation luncheon, a meeting is being arranged with officials of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority. The Authority has just broken ground for a new rapid transit system in the Capitol. Consideration also is being given to arranging a trip on the Metroliner from Washington to Philadelphia. We also hope to schedule an inspection trip of the Lindenwold Line in Philadelphia, the nation's newest rapid transit system. I am hopeful that all these visitations can take place while we are back there for this legislative luncheon.

On March 10 members of the Staff and I attended a safety program and luncheon at the El Monte Division of the District. Also in attendance were representatives from the City of El Monte and the Highway Patrol. The El Monte Division was the winner of the Safe Miles Contest during the past year. The same type of program was held at our Riverside Division last Saturday.

On March 11 I was the speaker at a luncheon meeting of the Southern California section of the American Right-Of-Way Association. I discussed the subject of present and future transportation plans for the District.

Last Thursday Mr. Gilstrap and I attended a luncheon with Supervisor Bonelli, Carlton Green, president of Metrotech, and John Kimball, president of Aereo Transit Systems, concerning possibilities of a program which could qualify for federal funds in connection with the proposed Dodger Stadium-Civic Center project. That same day Mr. Gallagher attended a presentation by Westwood Research of their tracked air cushion vehicle system. This was at UCLA.

Recently Mr. Goehler met with the Pasadena School Board to discuss the bussing of school children in the Pasadena area, and we have offered the technical services of our schedule division's IBM programmer to help them solve their problems.

Mr. Goehler has been appointed as a member of the Institute for Rapid Transit (IRT) Committee on Training, Manpower and Recruitment.

Messrs. Goehler, Heinle and Wells recently met with representatives of the Federal Manpower Administration for the purpose of investigating the possibilities of obtaining federal funds for the mechanics' training program. We are having some difficulty in training mechanics.

The general System Shake-Up, which is held annually at the District's Division 3, commenced on Sunday, February 14, and was concluded on Friday, February 27. The number one operator in seniority had 44-1/2 years of service. It is interesting to note the first 12 operators to bid averaged 41.8 years of service. The total number of operators to bid was 2436. The annual System Shake-Up will become effective on April 5 which is the date that one-way street operation becomes effective on Main and Spring Streets in the central business district.

In this connection, a meeting was held on March 3 with representatives of the City Traffic, Public Utilities and Transportation and Police departments to finalize plans for implementation of the April 5 conversion. The City representatives were told of the District's appreciation for their splendid cooperation in this program and other projects which are underway.

On March 6 members of the Staff met with James E. Gorham, vice-president of SARC, a consulting firm to the ROHR Corporation. They are interested in designing new equipment using the linear induction concept which could possibly be used on the express busway.

On March 7 Mr. Goehler and Mr. Heinle attended Mayor Yorty's Conference on Environmental Management. This was an all-day event held at the Biltmore Hotel. Dr. Lee DuBridge, Science Advisor to President Nixon, and Dr. Alfred Ingersoll, a member of our Technology Review Board, now a consultant with Albert C. Martin and Associates, were participants in the Conference. One of the principal subjects discussed was that of air pollution, and the District's representatives were given the opportunity to outline our activities with respect to vehicle emission control. There was a generally favorable reaction to the District's current efforts.

District representatives are continuing meetings with Pacific Lighting Corporation in connection with the conversion of one of our buses to natural gas for a test period.