

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES/PROCEEDINGS

Regular Board Meeting
Board of Directors
March 28, 1991
District Board Room
425 South Main Street
Los Angeles

Called to order at 12:33 P.M.

Directors Present

Nick Patsaouras, President
Don Knabe, Vice President
Gerry Hertzberg
Marvin L. Holen
Jerold F. Milner
Jay B. Price
Charles H. Storing
Gordana Swanson
James L. Tolbert

Directors Absent

Richard Alatorre
Mas Fukai

Items were considered in the following order.

1. Retirees and employees of the month were introduced.
2. No Closed Session was held.
3. Report of the President - Director Travel Policy

President Patsaouras explained that the proposed travel policy change requiring advance Board approval was not intended to restrict travel but to assure better coordination with the Commission.

Director Knabe moved approval of the proposed travel policy. The motion was seconded and discussion ensued.

Director Holen stated that he felt it was inappropriate to put such limitations on Directors' efforts in Washington and Sacramento and encouraged either a no vote or an abstention on the item.

Director Price indicated that this policy would divide the Board into first and second class members. First class members being those serving on both the RTD and Commission Boards, as their travel could be approved and funded at the Commission.

Director Knabe countered that this is the identical policy in effect at the Commission and will simply help to bring into line the mutual agendas of the two agencies.

The motion failed on the following Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Hertzberg, Knabe, Patsaouras
Noes: Holen, Milner, Price, Storing, Swanson, Tolbert
Absent: Alatorre, Fukai
Abstain: None

Following the vote, President Patsaouras stated that he would not approve future travel authorizations or expenses unless they are brought before the Board.

4. Report of the General Manager

General Manager Pegg reported that the recent heavy rains had caused a decline in farebox revenues; however not to the extent experienced in previous years.

RTD staff learned late Wednesday of the visit of Senator Moynihan to the Blue Line. Gary Spivack met briefly with the Senator at the 7th and Flower Station.

Mr. Pegg also indicated that a good number of legislators were contacted during the APTA Conference in an effort to secure more favorable legislation.

Personnel Director, Gayel Pitchford, announced that the District had provided two buses to transport military families to Norton Air Force Base to meet a reserve unit returning from duty in the Gulf.

5. Director Special Items

Director Storing complained about the cancellation of the April 4 Committee of the Whole Meeting without the consensus of the Board. President Patsouras agreed and the meeting was restored.

Director Swanson reported that the SCAG Transportation and Communications Committee had approved the District's request for 150 alternative fuel buses.

Director Tolbert described his first experience at an APTA Legislative Conference as being a joy, and far exceeding his expectations.

7. AUTHORIZED staff to submit to Catellus Development Corporation the design requirement for a child care and physical fitness center.

Unanimous with 8 Directors present.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 8-14, 16-17, 19 and 21 - 26 of the Consent Calendar were unanimously approved in one motion with 8 Directors present. Items 15, 18 and 20 were pulled for discussion and subsequently approved on separate motions with 8 Directors present.

8. APPROVED Requisition No. 1-9400-28 and an option for one additional year with Chevron USA, La Habra, covering procurement of transmission fluid for an additional estimated cost of \$315,000 for a total contract amount of \$615,000; form of contract subject to approval of the General Counsel.
9. APPROVED an option for one additional year with Downey Dodge, Inc., Downey, covering procurement of Dodge automotive parts at an additional estimated cost of \$40,000, for a total estimated cost of \$80,000; form of option subject to approval of the General Counsel.