

**Central Puget Sound  
Regional Transit Authority  
October 20, 1995**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. in Room 402 of the King County Courthouse, Seattle, Washington, by Chairman Laing.

**Attendance**

**Chair:**

Bruce Laing, King County Councilmember

**Vice Chairs:**

Dave Earling, Edmonds Councilmember

Paul Miller, Tacoma Councilmember

**King County:**

Don Davidson, Bellevue Mayor

Mary Gates, Federal Way Mayor

Jane Hague, King County Councilmember

Greg Nickels, King County Councilmember

Cynthia Sullivan, King County Councilmember

Jim White, Kent Mayor

**Snohomish County:**

Bob Drewel, Snohomish County Executive

**Washington State Department of Transportation**

Sid Morrison, Secretary

**Minutes of September 8, 1995**

It was moved by Ms. Gates, seconded by Mr. Nickels, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present to approve the minutes of September 8, 1995 as presented.

**Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**Report of the Chair**

Mr. Laing reported that at the last Board meeting, the consensus of the Board was to request the Legislative Task Force formulate a legislative strategy related to Motion No. 8. The Board will

address that motion under agenda item 7B. Mr. Laing stated that the Chair of the Legislative Task Force has agreed that the Legislative Task Force and the Rules Committee should meet jointly to gain more participation from Board members in that discussion. That joint meeting is scheduled for next Wednesday, October 25, at 2:00 p.m. in the RTA offices.

Additionally, Mr. Laing reported that three of the Board members participated in a meeting of the transit subcommittee of the Legislative Transportation Committee. Executive Drewel made a presentation representing on behalf of the Transportation Policy Board of the PSRC. Mayor Ed Hansen and Mr. Laing were also in attendance.

Mr. Laing then pointed out that Board members would find in their agenda packets an update of the pro bono consultant services issue as background information (copy on file).

The Chair concluded his report by stating that at least one Board member would need to leave relatively early in the meeting. He asked Mr. White to postpone the report of the Executive Director until after the action items were taken up.

### Items for Board Action

#### Appointment of Mr. Dick Ford as Transportation Advisory Panel Facilitator

This agenda item was postponed pending the arrival of a memorandum from Mr. Miller.

#### Motion No. 8

**It was moved by Mr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Gates that Motion No. 8 be adopted.**

Mr. Miller explained how Motion No. 8 originated. As part of the Ad Hoc Committee that was charged with formulating an outreach committee, many of the discussion items that came up had to do with the legislative agenda of the RTA and its timetable for a ballot measure. Motion No. 8 came about as a result of a request on the part of the Ad Hoc Committee that the Executive Director contact the Board members to determine their preferred date for a ballot measure.

Mr. White reported that a memorandum had been sent to all Board members which described three different vote date scenarios: spring 1996; fall 1996; and 1997. Various arguments for or against those particular dates were also outlined in the memorandum. In addition, Mr. White informally polled as many Board members as he could contact. Of those polled, a majority favored the fall 1996 as the earliest vote date. Three or four Board members thought that a 1997 vote date might be appropriate in conjunction with a statewide transportation funding initiative. Conversely, there were three or four Board members who felt that a spring 1996 vote was preferable, due to budgetary and legislative concerns.

Mr. Miller added that the Finance Committee had reviewed a proposed budgetary amendment that would allow the RTA to continue its existence through a fall 1996 ballot date without any additional resources. Staff cut backs are being implemented to achieve this.

**The motion to approve Motion No. 8 was carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present.**

**Report of the Executive Director**

Mr. White indicated that Board members would find a copy of the proposed revised budget in their packets (copy on file). The Finance Committee is expected to review the proposed budget one additional time and then to forward it to the Board for action.

In addition, Mr. White called the Board's attention to a one page sheet which contains the language that was adopted by the House/Senate Conference Committee on the current appropriations bill regarding fiscal year 1992 commuter rail grant funds (copy on file).

**Appointment of Mr. Dick Ford as Transportation Advisory Panel Facilitator**

Mr. Laing stated that the memorandum from Mr. Miller related to the consideration of this agenda item had arrived (copy on file).

Mr. Miller reviewed the memorandum with the Board. He suggested that Board members who wish to add names to the list of potential outreach committee members do so through Mr. White. (Copy of list on file).

**It was moved by Mr. Miller, seconded by Ms. Gates, and carried by the unanimous vote of all Board members present that Mr. Dick Ford be appointed as facilitator of the transportation advisory panel.**

**Other Business**

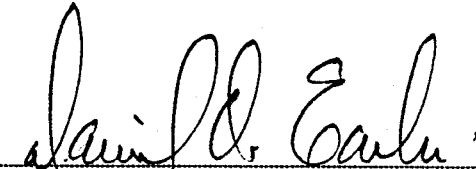
There was no other business.

**Next Meeting**

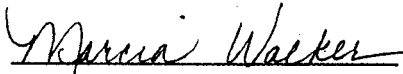
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**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

  
Dave Earling  
Vice Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:

  
Marcia Walker  
Board Administrator