## Sound Transit **Executive Committee Minutes**

#### **December 7, 2001**

## Call to Order

Executive Committee Chair Dave Earling called the meeting to order at 1:50 p.m.

#### Attendance

- (P) Dave Earling, Chair
- (P) Dave Enslow, Vice Chair
- (A) Greg Nickels, Vice Chair
- (P) Bob Drewel
- $(\mathbf{P})$ Marv Gates Jane Hague

- (P) John Ladenburg
- (A) Richard McIver
- (A) Paul Schell
- (P) Ron Sims
- Cynthia Sullivan (P)

## Public Comment

None.

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## **Report of the Chair**

Mr. Earling stated that the Executive Committee would be working from a revised agenda an Executive Session has been added . He also gave a reminder to board members and the public that there is a track laying event next Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Also a reminder that next week's board meeting will include budget adoption and election of officers.

# **Executive Director Report**

None.

# Action Items

Nomination of Board Officers for Recommendation to the Board of Directors

#### Nominations for Board Chair of the Sound Transit Board.

It was moved by Mr. Ladenburg, seconded by Mr. Drewel, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the nomination of Mr. Ron Sims as Board Chair be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

#### Nominations for Vice Chair of the Sound Transit Board.

It was moved by Mr. Enslow, seconded by Ms. Gates, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the nomination of Mr. Ladenburg as Board Vice Chair from Pierce County be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

It was moved by Mr. Drewel, seconded by Ms. Sullivan, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the nomination of Mr. Earling as Board Vice Chair from Snohomish County be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.



#### Tacoma Link Light Rail Operations Discussion

Mr. Charles Joseph, Manager of Link Light Rail Operations and Maintenance, gave an overview of the presentation.

Mr. Paul Matsuoka, Policy and Planning Officer, gave an overview of the policy issues related to the decision of whether Sound Transit should self operate or start a Request For Proposal (RFP) process.

A motion was made by Mr. Ladenburg recommending that Sound Transit operate as an interim operator in Tacoma and direct staff to return with a detail workplan related to operations.

It was moved by Mr. Ladenburg, seconded by Mr. Drewel, and carried by unanimous vote of all members present designating that Sound Transit operate Tacoma Link on an interim basis and directing staff to return with a detailed workplan related to operations be forwarded to the Board with a do pass recommendation.

Mr. Sims, asked legal staff to include language stating that operations in Pierce County will not be the foundation for operations in King County.

Mr. Earling directed legal staff to draft the language and provide it to the Executive Committee members this week, to ensure that the conversation today was captured.

#### **Executive Session**

Mr. Earling announced that the Executive Committee would recess at 2:15 p.m. for thirty minutes to discuss with legal counsel matters pertaining to potential litigation. The Executive Committee reconvened the business meeting at 2:44 p.m.

#### **Other Business**

There was no other business.

#### Next Meeting

To be announced at a later date.



# <u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

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David Earling Executive Committee Chair

ATTEST:

Marcia Walker

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