

**Sound Transit
Executive Committee Minutes**

January 9, 2003

Call to Order

Executive Committee Chair Ron Sims called the meeting to order at 11:20 a.m.

Attendance

(P) Ron Sims, Chair	(P) Chuck Mosher
(P) Dave Earling, Vice Chair	(A) Greg Nickels
(P) John Ladenburg, Vice Chair	(A) Julia Patterson
(P) Bob Drewel	(P) Kevin Phelps
(P) Dave Enslow	(P) Cynthia Sullivan
(P) Doug MacDonald	

Roll Call

Ms. Marcia Walker, Board Administrator, indicated that a quorum of the Executive Committee was not present at roll call.

The following Board members arrived after roll call.

Dave Earling
John Ladenburg
Dave Enslow

Public Comment

(Mr. Ladenburg arrived at this time).

Mr. Nick Afzali from the City of Renton spoke in support of Motion No. M2003-01, the 2003 Service Implementation Plan (SIP).

Mr. Sims indicated that the following Executive Committee members were present at this time: Mr. Drewel, Mr. Ladenburg, Mr. MacDonald, Mr. Mosher, Mr. Phelps, Ms. Sullivan. Ms. Walker indicated that a quorum of the Executive Committee was now in attendance. Also present was Board Member Crawford.

Mr. Will Knedlik, commented about Board Member Ladenburg's comments at the last Board meeting regarding the constitutional nature of Sound Transit's actions related to the passage of I-776.

Mr. MacDonald commented that he was absent from the Board meeting at which the resolution related to I-776 was discussed. He further noted that he strongly supports the resolution passed by the Sound Transit Board.

Report of the Chair

Mr. Sims indicated that the Executive Committee was working from a revised agenda and that the motion related to the Mercer Island Park-and-Ride lot had been removed.

Mr. Sims asked the Executive Committee to authorize travel for Board Members Phelps and Olson, to participate in the Seattle Chamber's International Study Mission to Shanghai, March 28 through

April 5, 2003. Sound Transit would cover Mr. Olson's costs up to \$2,500 and fully cover costs for Mr. Phelps.

It was moved by Mr. Drewel, seconded by Mr. Mosher, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present to authorize travel for Board Members Phelps and Olson.

Executive Director Report

Ms. Earl reported on the most recent ridership numbers for Sounder Commuter Rail. She indicated that the regular commuter service was showing an increase of 17% from last year and that special service, such as the Mariners and Seahawks service was up 78%.

Ms. Earl also reported that the Record of Decision was signed on December 31, 2002, for the Sounder Commuter Rail segment from Tacoma to Lakewood.

Ms. Govern, Director of Regional Express and Vicki Youngs, Project Manager, gave a presentation on an emerging issue related to the Mountlake Terrace in-line station. Staff asked the committee for direction on whether Sound Transit should continue with the preliminary engineering and environmental design (PE/ED) process of this project.

Mr. Sims stated that the consensus of the committee was to move forward with the PE/ED process.

(Mr. Earling arrived at this time).

Action Items

Items within the Executive Committee's Authority

Minutes of the December 12, 2002, Executive Committee meeting

It was moved by Mr. Phelps, seconded by Mr. Mosher, and carried by the unanimous vote of all members present that the minutes of the December 12, 2002, Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

Motion No. M2003-01 – Authorizing the Executive Director to proceed with the development and public outreach process for the 2003 Service Implementation Plan (SIP), with development of the Plan based on reprogramming \$21.2 million (YOES) from the Regional Mobility Fund and the 10% Reserve Funds to support expanded service and the purchase of additional buses.

Mr. Mike Bergman, Regional Bus Project Manager, briefed the Executive Committee on Motion No. M2003-01.

It was moved by Mr. Drewel and seconded by Mr. Mosher that Motion No. M2003-01 be approved as presented.

It was moved by Mr. Earling and seconded by Mr. Drewel and carried by the unanimous vote of all Executive Committee members present to amend the motion by adding a new #3 which states "In the SIP development process staff will identify the service alternatives that can be implemented by September 2003 using available funds and resources."

The motion, as amended, carried by the unanimous vote of all Executive Committee members present.