

MINUTES OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
LANE TRANSIT DISTRICT

ADJOURNED BOARD MEETING

August 23, 1983

Pursuant to notice given at the August 16, 1983 Regular Meeting, and distributed to persons on the mailing list of the District, an Adjourned Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lane Transit District was held at the City Hall in Eugene, Oregon, on August 23, 1983 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Ted J. Langton, President, presiding  
Janice Eberly, Secretary  
Peter M. Brandt, Treasurer  
Larry Parducci  
Phyllis P. Loobey, General Manager  
Gail Williams, Recording Secretary

Absent: Janet Calvert  
Judy Nelson  
Glenn E. Randall, Vice President

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Ted J. Langton, Board President. Roll call was taken at this time.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS BY BOARD PRESIDENT: Mr. Langton opened the meeting by stating that the meeting was adjourned to this date, due to the lack of a quorum at the regular Board Meeting of August 16, 1983.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ms. Eberly moved that the minutes of the June 19, 1983 Regular Board Meeting and the August 16, 1983 Regular Meeting be approved as circulated. After seconding by Mr. Parducci, the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

PUBLIC HEARING ON FARE INCREASE: Mr. Langton reopened the Public Hearing regarding the adoption on an increase of token and pass fares. Although testimony was received from several Lane Community College students on August 16, 1983, no action could be taken by the Board at that time due to the lack of a quorum. Copies of that testimony were previously mailed and reviewed by Board members. Mr. Langton asked for further testimony regarding the fare increase at this time. There was none; therefore, Mr. Langton closed the public hearing.

Mr. Langton requested that Mark Pangborn, Director of Administrative Services, summarize for the Board staff's recommendation regarding proposal of the token and pass fare increase.

Mr. Pangborn introduced a Ridership Productivity chart for the Board's viewing. Mr. Pangborn demonstrated to the Board that ridership did not show any appreciable negative impact when the cash fare was raised from \$.50 to \$.55. The chart indicated that ridership is commonly down during the months of March and June of each year, due to Spring break and Summer vacations. Via the productivity chart, Mr. Pangborn

illustrated the drastic decrease in ridership when the fare was increased from \$.35 to \$.60. Mr. Pangborn stated that staff feel that by increasing passes from \$18.00 to \$20.00, with corresponding adjustments to Zones 2 and 3, and raising token fares from \$.45 to \$.50 it is not likely to devastate ridership due to the minor incremental change proposed.

Mr. Pangborn further informed the Board that LTD has a special three month pass program with Lane Community College; the Associated Students of Lane Community College contributes a subsidy to LTD allowing their Term Pass to sell for three months for the price of two months. Currently LCC students are paying \$36.00 for their Term Pass. If the fare increase is approved, the Term Pass would sell for \$40.00, also allowing three months ridership for the price of two. The Term Passes are good anywhere in the urban metropolitan area, (Zone 1), and non-urban ridership would require additional fare. Mr. Pangborn cited two areas in which the Term Pass is limited: (1) the pass is limited to student use only, (2) if the pass is lost it is not refundable or replaceable. Mr. Langton asked whether there was a limit on the number of courses that were required in order to qualify for the Term Pass. Mr. Pangborn stated that one course was all that was necessary for Term Pass qualification.

Ms. Loobey informed the Board that an estimated \$42,000 increase in revenues will be obtained if the proposed fare increase is approved. Mr. Pangborn further stated that this estimated increase takes into consideration a two percent decrease in ridership.

Mr. Brandt moved that the Board adopt and approve the fare increase on all three recommendations made by the staff printed on page 3 of the agenda packet. The motion was seconded by Mr. Parducci. Mr. Langton asked if further discussion was desired. There was none and the motion was unanimously carried.

CONTRACTING OUT SERVICE ON #63 COBURG ROUTE: Mr. Langton called the Board's attention to the contracting out service on #63 Coburg Route, found on page 18 of the agenda packet. Mr. Langton opened the meeting for comments from the public regarding the contracting out of service.

Mr. Paul Headley, an officer with Amalgamated Transit Union 757, as well as a bus operator for Lane Transit District, residing at 3366 Royal Avenue, Eugene, Oregon, asked to address the Board at this time. Mr. Headley stated that ATU had concerns and strong objection to the subletting of the #63 Coburg Route.

Mr. Headley stated that Lane Transit was formed under House Bill 1808, ORS 267 and was given the responsibility of providing transit to the community, with seven taxing resources available; by not utilizing these resources, Mr. Headley stated that the Board was failing to fulfill their obligation to the community as mandated by law. Mr. Headley further stated that LTD has received millions of dollars in Federal money by signing the Federal 13-c agreements, which help protect the members collective bargaining rights. By contracting out the #63 Coburg Route, Mr. Headley stated that LTD is in effect worsening the working conditions of the members of ATU 757 and is circumventing the March, 1983 Labor Agreement.

Mr. Headley requested that the Board turn down the proposal to sublet the #63 Coburg Route, and allow the Coburg citizens to continue to receive the expert, reliable transportation that other riders in the community receive. Mr. Headley agreed that money should be saved, but asked the Board to leave the bus routes and the jobs of the Union members alone. Mr. Headley informed the Board that the Union's attorneys in Washington, D.C. are being consulted. Mr. Headley concluded by asking the Board to please provide bus service to the community as mandated by Law.

Mr. Brandt asked the amount of tax dollars that would be lost if the service was deleted and the boundaries were brought in. Ms. Loobey answered by stating that the amount would be appreciably more than Marcola, but at this point the amount would only be an estimate, due to the fact that the Department of Revenue has not reported back to LTD regarding their findings. Mr. Brandt additionally asked where the boundary would be cut if the service was deleted. Ms. Loobey stated that the boundary would probably end at the McKenzie River. The 1983 Legislature established criteria for determining boundary lines.

Ms. Eberly questioned what effect contracting out would have on the boundaries. Ms. Loobey answered that the boundaries would not be affected if the service was contracted out, and therefore the payroll tax would remain in the District.

Mr. Langton informed the Board that the service would remain the same, however, the buses would not be LTD buses, but would in fact be Special Mobility Services drivers and vehicles. Special Mobility Services was the only respondent to the Request for Proposal. Mr. Pangborn informed the Board that the fare would remain the same if service was contracted out, however the service would be non-stop into town.

Mr. Pangborn addressed Mr. Headley at this time, stating that 13(c) was to protect union members when a previous transfer from private to public was made. Mr. Pangborn assured Mr. Headley that there will not be any ATU members laid off and work would not be worsened for the workers due to the contracting out of services.

Mr. Pangborn informed the Board that by contracting out service on Coburg, the move is expected to save the District approximately \$22,000. This money would be utilized to pay for the new Fred Meyer 11th Avenue Route. In addition, Mr. Pangborn stated Coburg residents are strong advocates of the bus service and by continuing this service, the residents would be provided for, as well as little change in the service would be noticed by the riders.

Mr. Brandt asked Mr. Pangborn if LTD would be locked into the service, if indeed it was contracted out. Mr. Pangborn answered by stating that LTD would not be committed to continued service if it should prove dissatisfactory.

Mr. Parducci made a motion that the Board approve the contracting out service on the #63 Coburg Route by a private carrier from September 25, 1983 to January 2, 1984. Mr. Brandt seconded the motion which passed by unanimous vote. The Board indicated that by approving this contract, staff was authorized to consider continued contracting of this route in the future.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AT THIS MEETING

University of Oregon Improvements: Ms. Loobey called the Board's attention to the issues of the improvements necessary for the University of Oregon's congestion problems affecting the 13th and Kincaid site. Ms. Loobey stated that improvements were necessary for operating efficiency and several options were being considered for the 13th and Kincaid, as well as the 29th and Amazon site. These projects are in the design, not construction, stage, and Ms. Loobey further stated that staff would keep the Board apprised of further issues and resolutions regarding these projects.

Monthly Reporting: Karen Rivenburg, Accountant for Lane Transit District, referred the Board to page 33 of the Board Packet. Ms. Rivenburg stated that there are three reports; General Fund, Capital Fund and Risk Management Fund; each report, designed for simplification, illustrates year-to-date comparisons. Ms. Rivenburg explained that due to the difference in nature, the General Fund found on page 36 of the Board Packet, is different. Several favorable comments were made by the Board regarding the change in the financial statements.

Further Discussion: Mr. Langton asked the Board if they desired any further discussion at this time. Ms. Eberly asked if the Lane County Fair had been a success for LTD. Mr. Ed Bergeron, Marketing Administrator for LTD, stated that four percent increase in the ridership in the system was obtained, with the total number of rides being 135,000. Mr. Bergeron further stated that LTD received \$14,000 in subsidy for their participation in the Fair.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Parducci moved that the Board adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Eberly. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 8:20 p.m.

  
Secretary

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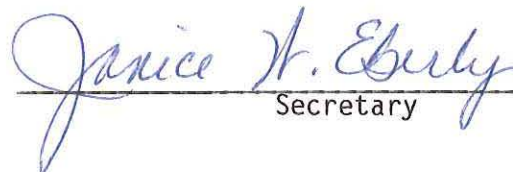
September 20, 1983

Pursuant to notice given to the Register-Guard for publication on September 15, 1983, and distributed to persons on the mailing list of the District, the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lane Transit District was held at the City Hall in Eugene, Oregon on September 20, 1983.

Present: Ted J. Langton, President, presiding

Absent: Peter M. Brandt, Treasurer  
Janet Calvert  
Janice Eberly, Secretary  
Judy Nelson  
Larry Parducci  
Glenn E. Randall, Vice President

ADJOURNMENT: Because a quorum was not present, Mr. Langton adjourned the meeting until Tuesday, September 27, 1983 at 7:30 p.m. in the Eugene City Hall.

  
Secretary