

MINUTES OF DIRECTORS MEETING

LANE TRANSIT DISTRICT

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, June 29, 1995

Pursuant to notice given to *The Register-Guard* for publication on June 27, 1995, and distributed to persons on the mailing list of the District, a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lane Transit District was held on Thursday, June, 29, 1995, at 12:00 p.m. in the LTD Board Room at 3500 E. 17th Avenue, Eugene.

Present: Pat Hocken, President, presiding
Dave Kleger, Treasurer
Kirk Bailey, Vice President
Rob Bennett
Phyllis Loobey, General Manager
Susan Hekimoglu, Minutes Recorder

Absent: Thom Montgomery, Secretary
Roger Saydack
(one vacancy)

CALL TO ORDER: Ms. Hocken called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Ms. Loobey called roll.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: No one wished to speak.

AMENDMENT TO SALARIED EMPLOYEES' RETIRMENT PLAN: Ms. Loobey offered a brief explanation that an amendment to the retirement plan was necessary as a result of Ballot Measure 8, concerning employee contributions to the plan. Mr. Kleger moved that the Board accept the amendment to the Salaried Retirement Plan as presented. Mr. Bennett seconded, and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

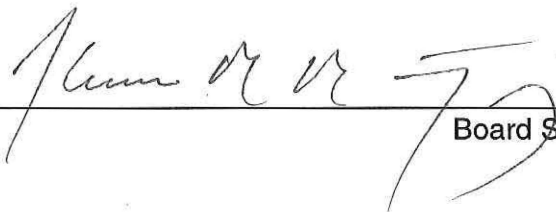
REPORT OF THE 68TH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY: State Representative Cynthia Wooten met with the LTD Board to hold an open, informal discussion about transit issues. She also recapped for the Board the 1995 legislative session. She mentioned that there will be no new taxes and government must be smaller. In the case of transportation, relative to the lack of action regarding the gas tax, there was no willingness in this session to even hear a gas tax. She encouraged the statewide coalition working on this issue to begin to pursue it, now. She believes that it will be heard in the 1997 session. She also encouraged LTD to not miss the opportunity to promote it for the next session, in light of the special session on light rail on July 28.

Representative Wooten sat on the Ways and Means subcommittee on transportation and trade and economic development, a joint committee chaired by Senator Walden. Three budget package options on High Speed Rail were presented by the Department of Transportation. One was to continue the subsidy of the train, the second for planning, and the third option was for track improvements. The \$3 million package for light rail was kept, and the rest was rejected. Representative Wooten continues to lead Lane County delegation in support of High Speed Rail and was able to persuade the Governor to agree to fund High Speed Rail until the next budget special session in January, at which time he guarantees support for the balance of the \$4.7 million for the rest of the biennium. However, if the votes still are not there in the special session, High Speed Rail funding would be right back where it is now, except for this additional four months of funding. Ms. Loobey stated that Mr. Bailey is on the High Speed Rail committee, and Ms. Hocken has been on the V-PACT committee. Representative Wooten stated that LTD should certainly stay involved with this issue of High Speed Rail.

DISCUSSION OF TRANSIT ISSUES WITH STATE REPRESENTATIVE CYNTHIA

WOOTEN: Representative Wooten and the LTD Board held a general discussion about several local transit-related issues. These included Transportation Rule 12, the self-employment tax, and the Salary Cap initiative.

ADJOURNMENT: The Board members thanked Representative Wooten for her interest in and support of Transportation issues, and for taking the time to meet with the Board. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.



Board Secretary