



**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-03-20-017**

**ADOPTION OF THE FARE POLICY LOW-INCOME AND STUDENT FARE SUBSIDY PROGRAMS**

**WHEREAS**, ORS 267.320 states that the “District Board may by ordinance impose and collect user charges, fees, and tolls from those who are served by or use the transit system”;

**WHEREAS**, the Board established the Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee in February 2018;

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee was to review LTD’s fare structure;

**WHEREAS**, the Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee met five times between August and November 2018;

**WHEREAS**, the Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee was comprised of two Board members, three nonprofit representatives, and one local elected official;

**WHEREAS**, the Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee developed a two-part fare policy recommendation at their October 20, 2018, meeting;

**WHEREAS**, the first recommendation was to modify LTD’s existing low-income subsidy program from a 50 percent subsidy to a 75 percent subsidy increasing annual funding from \$250,000 to \$750,000;

**WHEREAS**, the second recommendation was to adopt a student fare subsidy program allowing students in elementary school and younger to ride free and students in middle school and high school to ride free September through June (school year);

**WHEREAS**, the Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee’s recommendation included funding both programs with the newly implemented State Transportation Improvement Fund;

**WHEREAS**, at the November 4, 2018, Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) meeting, the Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee’s recommendations were unanimously supported;

**WHEREAS**, at the November 15, 2018, Board of Directors’ meeting, the Board approved the recommendations from Ad Hoc Fare Policy Committee and the SPC;

**WHEREAS**, in support of the Board’s directives, staff met with school district officials, government entities, and other interested stakeholders who unanimously expressed support for the proposed fare policy changes; and,

**WHEREAS**, several school district officials requested expanding funding for the student fare program for Kindergarten through grade 12 beyond the school year to the calendar year.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Lane Transit District Board of Directors passes a Resolution as follows:

- Approving staff’s recommendation to move forward with a public engagement process:
  - To modify LTD’s existing low-income subsidy program from a 50 percent subsidy to a 75 percent subsidy increasing annual funding from \$250,000 to \$750,000



- Fund Student bus passes for students in grades 12 and younger throughout the calendar year through a partnership with the school districts or equivalent.
- Implementation of adopted fare changes effective at the beginning of the school year.

ADOPTED BY THE LANE TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THIS 20<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2019.

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Board President, Carl Yeh