

JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE
METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT BOARD,
SAN DIEGO TRANSIT CORPORATION,
AND SAN DIEGO TROLLEY, INC.

December 9, 2004

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING ROOM, 10TH FLOOR
1255 IMPERIAL AVENUE, SAN DIEGO

MINUTES

1. Roll Call

Chairman Williams called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. A roll call sheet listing Board member attendance is attached.

2. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Lewis moved to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2004, Board of Directors meeting. Mr. Rindone seconded the motion and the vote was 8 to 0 in favor.

3. Public Comment

Steffani Kreger: Ms. Kreger reported that she lives in Harbison Canyon, is blind, and is dependent on MTS Access service to go to rehabilitation classes. She stated that she has been informed that Access service will no longer be provided to her neighborhood. She added that she has been using this service for years and doesn't understand why her location will no longer be served. She added that she was not aware that this change was being implemented until she attempted to make a reservation.

Mr. Jablonski stated that MTDB would have Susan Hafner, Director of Multimodal Operations, contact Ms. Kreger to discuss this matter. He reminded the Board that paratransit service, by mandate, is supposed to be provided within ¾ mile of fixed-route service. He stated that Ms. Kreger's issue is not an unusual one. Ms. Kreger again emphasized that she has been utilizing MTS Access service for years.

4. Presentation of Employee Awards

a. MTDB: Adoption of Resolution No. 04-16 Honoring the Distinguished Service of Former General Manager Thomas F. Larwin

Chairman Williams presented Mr. Thomas F. Larwin with a resolution honoring his distinguished service and leadership to MTS, the Board, and the public for 27 years. Mr. Rindone stated that this award was definitely well deserved, and that

Mr. Larwin was largely responsible for a successful trolley system with nationwide recognition.

Mr. Larwin thanked the Board, Mr. Jablonski, and MTS staff. He added that the staff members he worked with were outstanding public servants and that, after 40 years of full-time work, he was looking forward to retirement.

Action Taken

Chairman Williams moved to adopt Resolution No. 04-16 honoring the distinguished service of former General Manager Thomas F. Larwin. Mr. Rindone seconded the motion, and the vote was 10 to 0 in favor.

5. Closed Session Items (ADM 122)

The Board convened to Closed Session at 9:11 a.m. for:

- a. MTDB: Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Signficiant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b): (One Potential Case)
- b. MTDB: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Government Code Section 54956.9(a): Save Our Heritage Organization (SOHO) v. City of San Diego, et al., Superior Court Case No. GIC 837743
- c. MTDB: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation –Government Code Section 54956.9(a): MTDB v. Kalas, San Diego Superior Court Case No. GIC 020086-1
- d. MTDB: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation –Government Code Section 54956.9(a): Renovation & Restoration LLC v. SDSU, et al., San Diego Superior court Case No. GIC 830256
- e. MTDB: Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation –Government Code Section 54956.9(a): MTDB v. The Price Company, San Diego Superior Court Case No. GIC 774603-1

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 9:36 a.m.

Oral Report of Final Actions Taken in Closed Session

- a. The Board gave authorization to the CEO to execute Contract Change Order 57, Supplement No. 1.
- b. The Board authorized the General Counsel's office to retain outside counsel in the matter of SOHO v. City of San Diego, et al.
- c. The Board gave direction to staff and outside counsel and received a report from outside counsel.

- d. The Board received a report from outside counsel and gave direction to staff and outside counsel.
- e. The Board received a report from outside counsel and gave direction to staff and outside counsel. The Board will be reporting in Open Session on this particular matter in January.

CONSENT ITEMS

6. MTDB: Finalized Audit Report on the Information Technology Control Environment
(LEG 492, PC 30100)

That the Board of Directors receive the Information Technology Audit Report.

7. MTDB: Finalized Audit Report on the Risk Management Process (LEG 492, PC 30100)

That the Board of Directors receive the Risk Management Audit Report for information.

8. MTDB: Mission Valley East Light Rail Transit Owner-Controlled Insurance Project Program Extension and Funding (LEG 491, PC 10426.12)

That the Board of Directors (1) ratify the Chairman's approval to extend the current Owner-Controlled Insurance Program (OCIP) insurance coverage until the completion of the Mission Valley East (MVE) Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project and bind insurance coverage at an estimated cost impact of approximately \$840,000; and (2) authorize the transfer of \$810,650 from the MVE LRT Project, Project Contingency line item (WBS #10426-3800) and \$150,000 from the La Mesa Segment Construction line item (WBS #10426-109918LM) into two different line items: \$555,325 into Tunnel Segment Construction line item (WBS #10426-1010), and \$405,325 into the Grantville Segment Construction line item (WBS #10426-109918GR) (as shown in Attachment A of the agenda item—Budget Transfer History) for continuation of the OCIP project.

9. MTDB: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 5 Relating To The Enforcement Authorities Of Code Compliance Inspectors, Assistant Code Compliance Supervisors, The Code Compliance Inspection Supervisor, And Taxicab Inspectors I & II; And An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 13, An Ordinance To Repeal And Adopt Document No. 164, Codified Rules And Regulations, As Ordinance No. 13: Second Reading
(AMD 122.2, PC 30100)

That the Board of Directors adopt the ordinances as provided in the agenda item, "An Ordinance Relating to Enforcement Authorities of Code Compliance Inspectors, Assistant Code Compliance Supervisors, the Code Compliance Inspection Supervisor, and Taxicab Inspectors I & II" and "An Ordinance to Repeal and Adopt Document No. 164, Codified Rules and Regulations, as Ordinance No. 13," and direct publication of the ordinance summaries.

10. MTDB: Mission Valley East Light Rail Transit Project: Contract Change Orders
(CIP 10426.7.5)

That the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (1) execute Contract Change Order (CCO) No. 34 with Stacy & Witbeck, Inc. (SWI), in substantially the same

form as Attachment A of the agenda item, for the installation of signal revisions to the existing Orange Line and new Green Line, under Contract LRT-10426.5, in an amount not to exceed \$326,035.00; and (2) execute CCO No. 81, Supplement No. 2, with Modern Continental Construction Company (MCC) in an amount not to exceed \$31,289.60, in substantially the same form as shown in Attachment B of the agenda item, and ratify MTDB's previous General Manager's signature on CCO No. 81, for a total of \$127,289.60, for changes in quantities of concrete barrier on the Grantville Segment of the Mission Valley East (MVE) Project (Contract LRT-10426.3).

11. MTDB: Parking Revenue for the James R. Mills Parking Structure (FIN 300, PC 30100)

That the MTD Board of Directors receive this report for information.

12. MTDB: Legal Services Contract Amendment (LEG 491, PC 30100)

That the MTD Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to enter into a contract amendment with Julie Morris Soden of the Law Offices of Grant & Soden (MTDB Doc. No. G0719.6-02, Attachment A of the agenda item), and David Skyer of the law firm Susson & Parrett (MTDB Doc. No. G0749.4-02, Attachment B of the agenda item) for general liability services, in substantially the same form as attached to the agenda item, and ratify prior amendments entered into under the CEO's and/or previous General Manager's authority(ies).

13. MTDB: Creative Bus Sales Contract Amendment (CIP 10488, CIP 10489)

That the MTD Board of Directors (1) execute Amendment No. 1 to MTDB Doc. No. B0389.0-03 with Creative Bus Sales; (2) establish capital Improvement Project (CIP) 10489 Chula Vista Nature Center Bus, and transfer \$300,000 from CIP 10488 to CIP 10489; and (3) add \$18,000 in City of Chula Vista local Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds to CIP 10489 Chula Vista Nature Center Bus, contingent upon City of Chula Vista Council approval.

14. MTDB: September 2004 Quarterly Investment Report (FIN 310, PC 30100)

That the MTD Board of Directors receive the quarterly investment report for information.

Agenda Item No. 9: In response to a question from Mr. Lewis, Ms. Lorenzen explained that the language in these ordinances was taken from an existing state statute that is very specific about what constitutes intent. She added that inspectors are trained in this regard and work with the San Diego Police Department to enforce this provision of the ordinance. Also in response to a comment from Mr. Lewis, Ms. Lorenzen provided an example of the type of action described by the words "known to be false." She added that this concept is actually a provision of MTS's enabling legislation. She stated that when an officer issues a citation for this particular violation, MTS still has the burden of proving that the individual did in fact provide false information.

Agenda Item No. 11: Mr. Jablonski stated that income from the parking garage was budgeted at \$250,000. He reported that \$80,000 was actually earned because of the high number of baseball fans that used the trolley to get to the ballpark and because the parking fee was reduced to attract more patrons to the garage, which was not being filled. Chairman Williams stated that he was involved in deciding to reduce the parking fee and was very conflicted over taking an action that would encourage people to drive their cars. In response to a question from

Mr. Lewis, Ms. Lorenzen stated that the spaces on the ground floor of the garage are reserved for individuals with disabled placards.

Motion on Recommended Consent Items

Mr. Lewis moved to approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14. Ms. Atkins seconded the motion, and the vote was 12 to 0 in favor.

NOTICED PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were no Noticed Public Hearings.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 30. This agenda item number was not used.
- 31. MTDB: SANDAG Consolidated Transportation Agency Draft Annual Report (ADM 121.1, PC 30100)

SANDAG Director of Governmental Relations Ellen Roundtree provided the Board with a brief description of the process that is being used to evaluate the results of Senate Bill 1703 (SB 1703). She advised the Board that MTDB's input is reflected in the Transit Agency Perspective section of the report. Ms. Roundtree reviewed the report providing a brief overview of the conclusions and findings as well as the next steps in the process. She added that SANDAG and North County Transit reviewed the report in November, and the MTDB Executive Committee requested the addition of certain language regarding a thorough function review and analysis of the business impacts of consolidation on MTDB. She added that the report will be reviewed by the SANDAG Transportation Committee on December 10, 2004, and by the full SANDAG Board on December 17 prior to being mailed to the governor.

Mr. Jablonski called attention to the language recommended by the Executive Committee for insertion, which was placed on the table prior to the start of the meeting. He advised Board members that the language recommended by the Executive Committee appears on the top half of the page. He stated that the Joint Committee on Regional Transit (JCRT) reviewed this language on December 1 and their proposed amended language appears on the bottom half of the page. He stated that either one could be inserted into the Transit Perspective portion of the consolidation report, and that the language recommended by the JCRT is basically the same as the language proposed by the Executive Committee with the addition of North County Transit. Mr. Emery stated that he was part of the discussion at both the Executive Committee and the JCRT, and all parties strongly felt that there should be a clause in the report that indicates that the process is not yet complete – that an analysis is being conducted and a recommendation will be forthcoming. Mr. Mathis stressed the importance of this issue. In response to a question from Mr. Mathis, Ms. Roundtree stated that Mr. Jablonski as well as the Karen King, Executive Director of North County Transit, provided the comments that appear in Transit Agency Perspective section of the report. She added that their input was included word for word with no edits by SANDAG.

Mr. Monroe expressed support of SANDAG's action to delegate certain authorities to the SANDAG Transportation Committee. He added that this committee consists of representatives who understand and work hard on transit.

Action Taken

Mr. Emery moved to receive The SANDAG Draft Consolidation Report and request that the SANDAG Transportation Committee approve the inclusion of the language recommended by the JCRT, but replace the last sentence "Findings and Recommendations should be submitted to SANDAG as soon as possible" with "Findings and recommendations will be submitted to SANDAG shortly after the first of the year." Mr. Rindone seconded the motion, and the vote was 11 to 0 in favor.

32. MTDB: Mission Valley East Final Marketing Plan (CIP 10426.13)

SANDAG Business Development Manager Judy Leitner stated that the primary objective of the MVE Marketing & Community Outreach Plan is to create the best opening-day scenario to maximize ridership, revenue, awareness, and appreciation for this investment. She reviewed the objectives of the plan and provided Board members with details on markets, community/partnership outreach, public information, media outreach, and opening/special events. She also provided the Board with an update of activities to date including a news clip of media coverage for the recent unveiling of an S70 trolley car. She also recognized staff members from MTDB, SDTI, SDTC, and SANDAG, who worked on the development of this plan.

In response to a question from Mr. Monroe, Ms. Leitner stated that they are projecting 11,000 new riders per day as a result of the new service that will be offered. In response to question from Mr. Monroe about the impact on bus ridership, Mr. Cheung stated that Route 81 will be eliminated because it would duplicate the trolley service. Mr. Monroe stated that he was interested in numbers showing the level of new riders versus transfer ridership and the overall impact on bus ridership. Mr. Jablonski, in response to a question from Mr. Rindone, stated that the opening date has not yet been identified as there are still outstanding issues to be resolved; e.g. construction completion date, delivery of S70 trolley cars, completion of testing, training of personnel, etc. He stated that many of these factors are critical to ensure the safety of this service. He also advised the Board that the opening will not occur during a weekend when there is a Padres game. He added that an implementation committee is working with the engineers for the project to develop a date for the opening. He indicated that they are attempting to identify a date by January.

Mr. Lewis pointed out that much of the publicity for the opening occurs in the summer when SDSU students, who will greatly benefit from this service, are not in school. He also expressed concern that teachers will not make use of the training manuals that staff is planning to provide. Ms. Leitner stated that the training manuals are designed to tie in with other activities the teachers are already doing. She added that the number of manuals printed is tied to economies of scale. Mr. Lewis stated that he would like a report back to the Board on teacher feedback regarding the training manuals.

Action Taken

Mr. Emery moved to approve the Final Marketing and Communications Plan for the Mission Valley East Extension. Ms. Sterling seconded the motion, and the vote was 10 to 0 in favor.

33. SDTI: Padres Baseball 2004 Year-End Summary (OPS 970.2, PC 30102)

SDTI President-General Manager Peter Tereschuck stated that trolley service to PETCO Park was a mutually positive experience for SDTI and the Padres and then introduced Mr. Tom Doogan, SDTI Event Coordinator. Mr. Doogan provided the Board with an overview of the initial service plan and also reviewed service adjustments that were made after the first month of service. He also reviewed various revenue and cost recovery components of this service. He then provided the Board with attendance and ridership statistics and a revenue projection for an 81-game season. He stated that trolley ridership decreased as parking structures close to the ballpark opened or as existing parking lots lowered their rates. He added that the Special Event Green Line service carried almost one-half of the trolley's ridership to the park and, because this was special-event service, did not displace any regular passengers. He then reviewed actions that will be taken related to next year's service.

Mr. Monroe complimented staff on the excellent report and stated that the report demonstrates excellent management of the whole process. Mr. Monroe suggested that staff not use the season average of 22 percent to predict ridership for next season, as that average reflects high ridership at the beginning of the season that will probably not occur next year. He suggested using 18 percent. Mr. Tereschuck publicly acknowledged the efforts of Mr. Doogan and stated that he is largely responsible for the success of this service.

Action Taken

Mr. Monroe moved to receive this report for information. Mr. Rindone seconded the motion, and the vote was 11 to 0 in favor.

35. MTDB: Comprehensive Operational Analysis: Project Update (ADM 121.10, PC 20484)
(Taken Out of Order)

Mr. Conan Cheung, Director of Planning and Performance Monitoring, provided the Board with a project update for the Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA). He reported that the contract has been executed and a comprehensive public participation process has been developed. He added that the project schedule has been revised to take into consideration a more robust public-participation process and concerns expressed by some Board members regarding the optimistic timeline. Mr. Cheung referred Board members to a revised table for the project committees that includes four MTS Board representatives in the project committee structure. He reviewed the basic membership, role, and forum for each of the committees. He advised the Board that a special Web site will be developed for this project and will be used to disseminate information to project committees and the general public. He added that the service efficiency portion of the project is scheduled to conclude in April 2005, and the service development portion in October 2005.

In response to a comment from Mr. Monroe regarding the role of the Blue Ribbon Committee, Mr. Jablonski stated that the Blue Ribbon Committee will really be doing the hard work on this project. He stated that the data that gets analyzed on a technical level will result in policy decisions that will be made by the Blue Ribbon Committee. He stated the entire objective of the program is not to just restructure the system, but to restructure the system to drive down costs, and policy decisions will be an integral part of that process. He added that he was very pleased that there were four Board members who were willing to participate. He stated that their participation will be very important.

Actions Taken

Mr. Monroe moved to designate Toni Atkins, Harry Mathis, Tom Clabby, and Phil Monroe to the Blue Ribbon (Leadership) Committee for the COA Project. Ms. Atkins seconded the motion, and the vote was 11 to 0 in favor.

Mr. Rindone moved to receive this report for information. Ms. Sterling seconded the motion, and the vote was 11 to 0 in favor.

37. MTDB: Mission Valley East Light Rail Transit Project: Budget Status (CIP 10426)
(Taken Out of Order)

Mr. Jim Linthicum provided background on the budget decisions made at the beginning of the Mission Valley East (MVE) Light Rail Transit (LRT) project and management controls that were instituted or reinforced in April 2003. He then presented the recommended budget for the project at this time, which will include project contingency and funding to pay claims, items that were not included in the original budget calculation. Mr. Linthicum advised the Board that the Executive Committee recommended the use of Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) rather than TransNet funds for the \$10 million increase in the budget.

Action Taken

Ms. Sterling moved to (1) receive the report on the MVE LRT Project budget status; (2) authorize an increase in the MVE Project Budget of \$10 million distributed into the project line items as shown on Attachment A of the agenda item; and (3) authorize the CEO to request that SANDAG amend the Regional Transportation Improvement Program to increase the MVE Project budget and fund the increase with regional CMAQ funds. Mr. Clabby seconded the motion, and the vote was 10 to 0 in favor.

38. SDTC: Amendment to New Flyer Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Bus Procurement Contract (CIP 10486, CIP 10487) (Taken Out of Order)

Ms. Lorenzen called attention to the revised agenda item that was placed at each Board member's place prior to the start of the meeting. Ms. Spielberg reviewed the reasons for the recommended amendment to the CNG bus procurement contract. She stated that the recommended changes will increase the New Flyer contract by \$365,667.72. She stated that approval of the amendment would make it possible for San Diego Transit to purchase each of its CNG buses with a safety-critical fire-suppression system and an additional CNG tank to provide the needed range to improve operating efficiency of the CNG buses. Mr. Jablonski stated that these two items have strong financial

implications. Ms. Spielberg added that money recently received from insurance proceeds would be sufficient to cover the additional expense for these two items. Mr. Jablonski stated that staff did a great job of negotiating the terms of this purchase without the cost increase that normally accompanies this type of transaction.

Action Taken

Mr. Emery moved to (1) transfer additional funds of \$397,407.95 (contingent upon Federal Transit Administration approval) received as an insurance payment for an SDTC bus that was destroyed by fire into Capital Improvement Projects 10486 and 10487, to offset the cost of two essential components not included in the original bus specifications. \$347,000 would be placed in CIP 10486, and \$50,407.95 would be placed in CIP 10487; and (2) execute Amendment No. 1 to the New Flyer contract (MTDB Doc. No. B0441.0-05) for changes to the technical specifications, for an amount not to exceed \$365,667.72, in substantially the same form as attached (Attachment A of the agenda item). Mr. Rindone seconded the motion, and the vote was 9 to 0 in favor.

39. MTDB: MTS Operators Budget Status Report for September FY 05 (FIN 310, PC 30100)
(Taken Out of Order)

Mr. Larry Marinesi, MTDB Budget Manager, reviewed a summary of variances for net operating subsidies. He also reviewed a comparison to budget for net subsidies and other expenditures, fare revenues, passenger levels, and operating expenses. Mr. Marinesi also reviewed the impact of energy costs on operations. Mr. Tom Lynch, MTDB Controller, reviewed net subsidy and other expenditures by transit operator and combined transit operators comparison to budget. He reported that most of the overage for wages/fringes consists of overtime costs for San Diego Transit maintenance personnel and operators. He also reported that the estimated contingency carried forward for FY 2004 is \$16,530,000, which is an unaudited number. and includes \$4,335,000 appropriated to FY 05 operations.

In response to a question from Mr. Mathis regarding the overtime, Ms. Spielberg stated that the overtime being worked by SDTC maintenance and transportation personnel is the result of SDTC's inability to hire entry-level personnel. She reported that a successful career fair was recently held and another is planned, which should help to alleviate this problem. Mr. Clabby stated that overtime is costly and causes staff burn out. He added that he hoped to see less overtime in the future. In response to a question regarding attrition, Ms. Spielberg stated that operator class size reduces as students drop out. She also stated that SDTC has an aging workforce and, therefore, a high number of employees are retiring or considering retirement.

Action Taken

Mr. Monroe moved to receive the MTS Operators Budget Status Report for September FY 2005. Ms. Sterling seconded the motion, and the vote was 10 to 0 in favor.

36. MTDB: Triennial Performance Audit Recommendations (SRTP 820.14, PC 20201)
(Taken Out of Order)

Mr. Denis Desmond, Sr. Transportation Planner, reported that every recipient of State Transit Assistance and Local Transportation Fund monies is subject to a triennial

performance audit. He reviewed the audit goals and reported that all of MTS's "operators" were in full compliance with Public Utilities Code (PUC) requirements. He stated that the auditors did observe that system efficiency has been reduced by lower ridership and higher costs. He then briefly reviewed each of the four audit recommendations.

Mr. Jablonski requested that Mr. Desmond pass along the comment to SANDAG that while trolley capital issues are significant, capital issues are also very significant on the bus side. He stated that staff is nearing the end of its CIP process, and it should be easy to approve the CIP because of the limited funding that is available. He advised the Board that staff is planning on providing the Board with a very extensive briefing on capital needs and funding in the near future.

Action Taken

Mr. Monroe moved to receive the Triennial Performance Audit Report, approve the recommendations, and forward the report to the SANDAG Transportation Committee for approval along with the Board's comment adding emphasis on bus capital needs for facilities as well as vehicles – both contracted as well as internal bus operations. Mr. Clabby seconded the motion, and the vote was 8 to 0 in favor.

40. MTDB: 2004 Legislative Year in Review and Proposed Federal and State Legislative Goals for 2005 (ADM 122, PC 30100) (Taken Out of Order)

Ms. Lorenzen provided Board members with a review of legislative actions taken during calendar year 2004, including approval of a \$378 million increase in transit funding for FY 2005. She also reported that SB 1233, which authorizes MTDB to be known as MTS, was passed with an effective date of January 1, 2005. She also reviewed the proposed FY 2005 legislative goals – federal, state, and local. During Ms. Lorenzen's review of projects for which appropriations should be sought, Mr. Jablonski stated that 5309 discretionary appropriations will be sought for these projects. He stated that they are, for the most part, "brick and mortar" projects, and these types of projects are usually much better received, at least on the senate side, for funding than others. He added that these items cannot be funded using monies available under the FY 06 CIP, but are very pressing needs. He referenced facilities needs at San Diego Transit. He also reported that wheelchair lifts on at least some LRVs are at least 25 years old and need to be replaced, and all 127 paratransit vehicles were essentially purchased at the same time, all now exceed their useful life, and cannot continue to run without extensive maintenance investment. He stated that MTS may also received additional funding for security issues through the new transit security bill. In response to a question from Mr. Ryan, Mr. Jablonski stated that the issue of security cameras both on buses and stations will be addressed if the new transit security act gets passed and funded.

Ms. Lorenzen pointed out that one of the legislative goals is to extensively modify MTS's enabling legislation to carry out post-SB 1703 clean up, including expansion of MTS procurement methods to provide the Board with the maximum benefit possible when MTS is doing competitive-type bids. She also reported that a remedy will be sought to reduce the impact of the decision requiring a two-thirds supra-majority vote for the passage of local county sales taxes for transportation purposes.

Ms. Lorenzen advised the Board that goals for SANDAG, North County Transit, and the California Transit Association were included in the agenda item. She stated that work is underway to develop a joint Request for Proposals for lobbying services. She stated that, under this collaborative effort, the same lobbyist would be used by all of the organizations in order to pool powers for maximum effect.

Ms. Monroe suggested that staff work with Juan Vargas, who works very closely with the governor on the Workers' Compensation issue. Ms. Rose asked if MTS could implement a process to notify Board members as relevant legislation moves through the process so Board members can facilitate where possible. She stated that the League of California Cities has such a procedure, and it is very effective. Mr. Jablonski stated that he would like to have a government affairs staff position that could utilize Board members' contacts and associated memberships to support a proactive approach to governmental affairs.

Action Taken

Ms. Atkins moved to receive a report on the 2004 Legislative Session and approve the federal and state legislative goals for 2005 as set forth in the agenda item. Ms. Rose seconded the motion, and the vote was 8 to 0 in favor.

34. MTS: Operations Status Reports – October 2004 (Taken Out of Order)
(OPS 920.2, 960.5, 970.5, PC 30100, 30101, 30102)

Ms. Claire Spielberg, Chief Operating Officer – Bus, referred Board members to a revised Attachment A, which was placed on the table prior to the start of the meeting and provides data through October 2004. She reviewed San Diego Transit's performance indicators for performance reliability, schedule adherence, customer service, system safety, ridership, and productivity. Ms. Spielberg also reported that San Diego Transit's Kearny Mesa Division has completed its preventative maintenance program and is now helping the Imperial Avenue Division complete its program. She anticipated full completion of this program by the end of December or early January. She also reported on the mean distance between service interruptions for buses that had gone through the preventative maintenance program in contrast to those that have not.

Mr. Jablonski reported that the report will have a new look in January. He added that San Diego Transit's performance indicator for miles between road calls has almost doubled over the course of the year, which was an outstanding improvement.

Mr. Wayne Terry, SDTI Vice President of Operations, reviewed the Transportation Department Summary providing Board members with details on SDTI ridership, special event service, schedule adherence, lift service, and accidents. He advised the Board that SDTI will be relocating the station at City College to make way for Smart Corner construction. He added that body restoration of SD 100 trolley cars should be completed this month.

Mr. Elliot Hurwitz, Contract Services Administrator, reviewed the Operations Status Report through October 2004. He reported on ridership, on-time performance, completed trips, miles between mechanical failures, accidents, customer service/complaints, and completed trips.

Action Taken

No action was taken on this item.

44. Chairman's Report (ADM 121.7, PC 30100)

There was no Chairman's Report.

45. Chief Executive Officer's Report (ADM 121.7, PC 30100)

There was no discussion of this item.

46. Board Member Communications

The Alliance: In response to a question from Mr. Monroe, Mr. Jablonski reported that MTDB has had no further contact from The Alliance regarding the Border Patrol issue.

47. Additional Public Comments on Items Not on the Agenda

There were no additional public comments.

50. Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is Thursday, January 13, 2005, at 9:00 a.m. in the same location.

60. Adjournment

Chairman Williams adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Chairman
San Diego Metropolitan Transit
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Attachment: A. Roll Call Sheet

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