

*Tuolumne County Transit Agency
Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee*

February 6, 2019 Meeting Minutes

The February 6, 2019 meeting of the Tuolumne County Transit Agency (TCTA) Technical/Citizen's Advisory Committee(s) (TAC/CAC) was called to order at 3:03p.m. by Executive Director Darin Grossi. Also in attendance were: Kim MacFarlane, Assistant CRA Director; Bob Asquith representing District 4; Stephen Dietrich representing the City of Sonora; Dick Southern representing District 3; Laura Shinn, Senior Administrative Analyst; Tyler Summersett; Senior Transportation Planner; Alex Padilla, Transportation Planner; Cathy Salsedo, Transit Manager and Administrative Technician, Denise Bergamaschi.

Kevin Schroeder was present at today's meeting representing Caltrans District 10.

1. Oral communication (15 minutes) to allow the public to speak on any item not on the printed agenda.

Carol Southern informed staff and Committee Members that she is currently selling fund raising tickets for the Veterans to multiple events. She provided prices and venues.

Consent Calendar:

2. Approval of the January 2, 2019 Meeting Minutes.

CAC:

Stephen Dietrich moved to approve all items on the Consent Calendar as presented.

Bob Asquith seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 3-0 vote

TAC:

The Technical Advisory Committee did not have a quorum at today's meeting. However, they concurred with the decision of the Citizen's Advisory Committee.

Regular Agenda:

3. Presentation of the Tuolumne County Transit Agency 2018/2019 Mid-Year Budget

Executive Director Grossi provided information to Committee Members regarding the forecast of revenue/expenses for the budget of the TCTA.

Discussion ensued with regards to the anticipated move of the Agency and costs for the continued use of various County personnel.

CAC:

Dick Southern moved to approve the Tuolumne County Transit Agency 2018/2019 Mid-Year Budget as presented.

Bob Asquith seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 3-0 vote

TAC:

The Technical Advisory Committee did not have a quorum at today's meeting. However, they concurred with the decision of the Citizen's Advisory Committee.

4. Recommend approval of the TRIP Program changes to encourage greater use and improved convenience.

Executive Director Grossi explained to Committee Members that the TRIP program originated within the County 4 years ago to help fulfill a gap once the Groveland services were discontinued. He added that the service is also a good substitute for those riders unable to utilize any other transit service(s) offered and that it is ultimately, a last resort transit alternative. He also stated that the Social Services Transportation Advisory Council (SSTAC) has been asking about expanding the service for out of town medical appointments. Mr. Grossi then discussed the proposed changes that he and staff have been working on for the TRIP program.

Discussion ensued.

CAC:

Bob Asquith moved to approve the TRIP Program changes as presented.

Dick Southern seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 3-0 vote.

TAC:

The Technical Advisory Committee did not have a quorum at today's meeting. However, they concurred with the decision of the Citizen's Advisory Committee.

5. Reports

Cathy Salsedo reported that she is happy to see snow even though it wreaked havoc on the transit system. She added that services were discontinued yesterday at 9 a.m. but all clients were re-scheduled.

Executive Director Gross stated that as far as closures due to inclement weather conditions; that he will base his decision by doing what the County does with their staff.

Discussion ensued.

Kim MacFarlane reported that the road crews are stretched very thin right now and that it is really crazy. She is hoping that all county maintained roads will be plowed today.

Executive Director Grossi requested that when they crews plow by the bus stops; if they could not leave embankments. It makes it difficult for the riders.

Ms. MacFarlane said that she would pass that information on to the crews.

Tyler Summersett reported that the Transit Center had a couple of incidents due to run-off water from the construction of the new courthouse. He also reported that the numbers for the Ski Bus are looking really good due to the snow fall!! Mr. Summersett also reported that transit will be serving the Celtic Fair again this year on March 9 and 10 and that it was a big hit last year!

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Bergamaschi
Administrative Technician