

Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Meeting

SSTAC

April 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order and introductions

The Meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by Chairperson Cathie Peacock.

Also in attendance were:

Doreen Schmidt with Area 12 Agency on Aging; Doreen Schmidt with Area 12 Agency on Aging; Sandra Sturzenacker with ATCAA; Cathy Salsedo with Storer Transit Systems; Michele Demetrius with Caltrans; Michael Pierce with DRAIL; Tyler Summersett, Sr. Transportation Planner; Alex Padilla, Transportation Planner and Denise Bergamaschi, Administration Technician.

2. Approval of the January 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes.

Doreen Schmidt with Area 12 moved to approve the Meeting Minutes of January 18, 2019 as presented.

Cathy Salsedo seconded the motion.

Motion approved unanimously.

3. Discuss vacancies/term expirations of the following positions:

- Potential Transit User with a Disability – term expired on 1/22/18
- Social Service Provider for Seniors – term expired on 1/22/18
- Social Service Provider for the Disabled – term expired on 1/22/18
- Social Service Provider for Persons of Limited Means – Vacancy
- Local Consolidated Transportation Service Agency – Term expires 7/21/20 (Vacant)
- At- Large Member – terms expire(d) on 10/10/2018 and 10/20/19 (Both are Vacant)

Attached for review is an application from Gabriella Taylor for the position of an At-Large-Member.

Chairperson, Cathie Peacock pointed out the number of vacancies and asked that all members please speak to people you know and try to recruit as much as possible.

She asked if vacancies are listed on the web site and suggested advertising on the radio, Facebook and with various agencies.

Alex Padilla pointed out that the positions on this Council are very specific, making it more difficult to recruit the correct people.

With regards to the application for Gabrielle Taylor – she was not present at today’s meeting nor was the application signed. If she is still interested in the position, she will need to re-apply.

**** 10:18 a.m. – at this time Michael Pierce arrived.

Sr. Transportation Planner, Tyler Summersett, informed Members that he is reaching out to someone in Groveland to fill one of the vacancies.

Discussion ensued.

There was no action required for this item.

4. Discussion of items currently being worked on (Ongoing agenda item).
• NextBus – Alex

At this time, Transportation Planner, Alex Padilla provided a Presentation on the new program being implemented at the transit facility. He informed Council Members that an RFP was advertised, and that staff received 4 responses; adding that NextBus was the least expensive and that they can utilize existing hardware. He then provided a detailed narrative of how the program would work with the existing system.

Discussion ensued.

There was no action required for this item.

5. Agency Reports

Senior Transportation Planner, Tyler Summersett informed Council Members that staff is hiring a consultant to update the Coordinated Plan and that it will focus a lot on some of the “overlap” areas. He added that this is a 3 County venture. He stated that there will be a special meeting the third week of May and that everyone that is on the SSTAC will be invited to attend.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Summersett then reported that the Adventure Trolley will begin service on May 4th and run throughout the summer. He added that this is a Saturday only service and that it is free!!!

Doreen Schmidt with Area 12 Agency on Aging reported that Catholic Charities will no longer be providing rides after July 1st. She stated that there is an RFP going out and that they are looking for agencies but that if no bids are received, they will take the service “in-house”. She added that once this service is terminated, there will be over 60 riders without transportation.

Cathie Peacock reported that Interfaith is “plugging” along! She added that the bus system works very well for her clients. She then added that, no matter what, there is always going to be something! She then suggested there should be Community Days in which passengers would meet at a “hub” and then taken to local events or the fairgrounds to the various events.

Cathy Salsedo added that Transit does provide a Dial-a-Ride service on Saturdays and that anything beyond that would have to go before the Board.

Sandra Sturzenacker with ATCAA provided an overview of the progress with ATCAA over the past few months. She informed Council Members that she helps oversee the homeless shelter and that she assists people with finding jobs and moving into houses.

Discussion ensued.

6. Adjourn

There being no further items to discuss, Doreen Schmidt moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Michael Pierce seconded the motion.

Approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Denise Bergamaschi
Administrative Technician*