

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE

Minutes

October 27, 2016

1. Self-Introductions of Members, Staff and Guests

Members:

Janet Abelson
Randall Glock
Janice Armigo Brown
Peter Crockwell
Don Queen
Hale Zukas
Clarence Fischer
Gerry Newell
Herb Hastings
Alan Smith
Larry Bunn – (ABSENT)
Brandon Young – (ABSENT)
Roland Wong
Esperanza Diaz-Alvarez
Debby Leung
Catherine Callahan

BART Staff present: Bob Franklin, Ike Nnaji, Elena Vanloo

Directors, Speaker(s), Guest Staff, and Guests of the Public:

Director Robert Raburn
Paul Medved
Zhiming Fan
Julie Yim
Roger Acuna
Jerry Grace
Paul Goryl
Janice Dispo (Stenographer)

2. Public Comments

Roger Acuna of Independent Living Resources shared that he has received complaints of power wheelchair users getting stuck on BART elevators in the Contra Costa region. He will look into getting more detailed information and will share his findings with the BATF in the near future.

Director Robert Raburn talked a little bit about the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's 2016 Excellence in Motion Awards, and shared that Josh Miele of Smith-Kettlewell Eye Research Institute, and Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired received an award.

3. Approval of Minutes of August 25, 2016, and September 22, 2016 Meetings

No opposition to Alan Smith's motion to approve the minutes of the August 25, 2016 meeting, with a second by Clarence Fischer.

The motion passes with an abstention from Herb Hastings.

Alan Smith moved to defer the approval of the September 22, 2016 meeting, with a second by Clarence Fischer.

4. Warm Springs Station West Access Bridge

After the presentation given by Paul Medved and Zhiming Fan, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

A long discussion was held.

Staff agreed to update the BATF regarding the elevator panel location and door width.

5. Community Partners, Community Groups

After the presentation given by Julie Yim, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

A long discussion was held.

Members who have any feedback from any community groups or know of any agencies that they think BART should reach out to are encouraged to contact Julie Yim, Randall Glock or Ike Nnaji.

6. Fleet of the Future

BART is holding open house events where riders can tour the Fleet of the Future.

The next open house events are scheduled for:

- Saturday, October 29th at Dublin/Pleasanton Station from 11am to 4pm
- Sunday, October 30th at El Cerrito del Norte Station from 11am to 4pm

A short discussion was held among members for them to share their comments regarding the Fleet of the Future.

7. BATF Members Travel Request

Travel reimbursement has been applied, and members should see it loaded on their cards within the week.

8. Capital Project Status Reports

Station Upgrade Modernization

Alan Smith attended the BART Board meeting held earlier today. He stated that the Board approved contracts for:

- The Concord Station project
- The purchase of photovoltaic cells for use at Antioch eBART and Warm Springs/South Fremont Stations
- The replacement of untempered glass on platforms at El Cerrito stations, and the application of anti-graffiti film over the glass

The Station Retail Plan (presentation previously given by Paul Voix) will probably not be moving forward due to some deadlines not being met.

Alan Smith reported that the stairways at the Lafayette station have been improved with brighter lighting and better stair striping.

Oakland Airport Connector

Due to multiple reports of and personal experience with the elevator being out of service, Alan Smith made suggested to Paul Oversier that there needs to be signage at both the airport and BART sides, telling passengers of the out-of-service elevator. Instructions have been given to staff to do so.

Elevators

The elevator outage schedule for the "Elevator Flooring Replacement" project can be found at <http://www.bart.gov/stations/elevators>

No updates were given for the following projects:

El Cerrito Del Norte
Union City Station Remodel
Fleet of the Future
eBART
Warm Springs Station
Phase 2 – San Jose Downtown
Track Maintenance
Pittsburg/Bay Point
Station Hearing Loop
Entrance Canopies
Berkeley Station Upgrade
Stair Tread Color Contrast
Richmond
Berryessa/Milpitas Stations
West Dublin Path of Travel
Dublin/Pleasanton Project
West Oakland

9. Chairperson Announcements

Randall Glock reminded members that the November 9th meeting and the December 14th meeting/holiday reception are being held at 300 Lakeside Drive in Oakland.

He encouraged members to attend the Open House event to see the Fleet of the Future, especially if they have not yet gone.

10. Staff Announcements

[No staff announcements.]

11. Member Announcements

Gerry Newell shared that Lions Center for the Blind will be closing its doors and ceasing operation.

12. Future Agenda Topics

- **Status update on elevator outages, including OAC airport elevator and wheelchair lift**
- **Update on fare gate timing**

13. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned to the next specially scheduled meeting of **Wednesday, November 9, 2016, at 2:00 p.m., at 300 Lakeside Drive, 14th Floor, Oakland, California.**

(The meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.)