

**SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA TRANSIT DISTRICT  
ACCESSIBILITY TASK FORCE**

**Minutes**

June 28, 2018

**1. Self-Introductions of Members, Staff and Guests**

**Members:**

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

**BART Staff present:** Elena VanLoo

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

Director Robert Raburn (President, BART Board of Directors)  
Jumana Nabti (BART Staff)  
Paula Fraser (BART Staff)  
Jaswant Sekohn (BART PD)  
Rod Maplestone (BART Staff)  
Greg Lombardi (BART Staff)  
Emily Witkin (Guest)  
Alex Madrid (Guest)  
Mussie Gebre (Guest)  
Jerry Grace (Guest)  
Anh Nguyen (Guest)  
Janine Harrison (Guest)  
Alisha Patton (Guest)  
Terri Manning (ASL Interpreter)  
Hannah Kanzell (ASL Interpreter)  
Janice Dispo (Stenographer)

## **2. Public Comments**

[No public comments.]

## **3. Approval of May 24, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

No opposition to Clarence Fischer's motion to approve the amended May 24, 2018 meeting minutes, with a second by Chris Mullin.

A discussion was held.

Motion passes unanimously.

## **4. Elevator Attendant Pilot at Civic Center and Powell St. BART Stations - Update**

After the update given by Paula Fraser, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

A long discussion was held.

The BATF responded positively.

People are encouraged to share their support of this program with the BART Board.

## **5. BART Proof of Payment Program - Update**

After the update given by Sgt. Jaswant Sekhon, members were allowed to ask questions and/or share any concerns they had.

A discussion was held.

## **6. El Cerrito del Norte – Bus Impacts Due to Construction**

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

A long discussion was held.

Members suggested that maps of the accessible route be provided, both hard copy and electronically via the BART website.

## **7. BATF Touring eBART**

A long discussion was held.

Members are asked to think about whether they are interested in a tour of eBART and to have an answer at the next BATF meeting.

## **8. New BATF Member Nominations**

No opposition to Janice Armigo Brown's motion to recommend approval of Mussie Gebre's application, with a second by Clarence Fishcer.

Motion carries unanimously.

## **9. Member Announcements**

Janice Armigo Brown shared about her experience riding in a new train and shared positive feedback. She talked about her riding from San Leandro to Fremont, as well as her being able to access the hearing loop system.

Valerie Buell told members about the Carlos Quintong Self-Advocacy Celebration event, and handed out fliers.

She added that Julie Neward from the California Sibling Leadership Network announced that the Somersville Towne Center in Antioch will be the first mall in the Bay Area to have adult changing stations available. Julie is pushing to have adult changing stations throughout the Bay Area.

Alan Smith stated that during today's BART Board meeting, the board gave the go-ahead to continue moving forward with planning and work on 22 stairway canopies in the San Francisco downtown stations. The Board has approved the environmental documents and this project will be rolling out as funds are available (from Measure RR).

Herb Hastings shared that BART was honored as employer of the year for the Alameda County/Developmental Disabilities Council annual dinner.

## **10. Staff Announcements**

[No staff announcements.]

## **11. Chairperson Announcements**

Randall Glock shared a few informal updates with members.

## **12. Future Agenda Topics**

- Discussion on improving signage to entrances/exits at underground stations

### **13. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of **Thursday, July 26, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., at 1750 Broadway, Oakland, California.**

(The meeting adjourned at 4:27 p.m.)