

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

## **Draft Minutes**

September 22, 2011

### **1. Self-Introductions of Members**

**Members present:** Janet Abelson; Peter Crockwell; Linda Drattell; Mary Fowler; Randall L. Glock; Jim Gonsalves; Herb Hastings; David Jackson; Jane Lewis; Gerry Newell; Don Queen; Carmen Rivera-Hendrickson; Hale Zukas

**Members not present:** Katrina McCurdy

**Guests of the Public:** Michelle Rousey; Roland Wong; Janice Hoang, (Stenographer); Terry Tibble, (Sign Language Interpreter); Farrah Isaacs, (Sign Language Interpreter)

**Staff:** Ike Nnaji

**Guest Speaker(s) and Guest Staff:** Robert Raburn; Kevin Hagerty

### **2. Elections of Officers**

After a vote, the results are as follows:

**Chairperson:** Randall Glock

**Vice-chairperson:** Carmen Rivera-Hendrickson

### **3. New Member**

[This item is to take place at the next meeting as the applicant was not present.]

### **4. BATF Travel Reimbursements and Clipper/RTC Card**

After much discussion, members voted to table this item for the time being.

### **5. Improve BATF Administration and Effectiveness**

Members would like to have business cards for better outreach.

Members want to receive draft agenda ahead of time so as to have more input on agenda items.

Members also want better follow up on BATF recommendations and action items.

No opposition to David's motion to approve idea of members having BATF business cards, (second by Gerry). Motion carries unanimously.

### **6. Staff Announcements**

Ike distributed the Learn BART Booklets to members and welcomed any feedback.

He announced that there will be a presentation on the Oakland Connector at the next meeting.

The ad hoc committee for the BATF Police Sensitivity Training is scheduled to meet October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Robert stated that he hopes to be able to bring the new general manager in to attend the next meeting.

Kevin said that the FTA has just completed ADA assessments at five stations and added that a report of that assessment should be out in two to three months. Kevin also stated that he has contacted the project manager at the West Dublin station and will be meeting with him in order to work on some of the unresolved issues at the station. He will update members with a report at the next meeting.

Robert announced that Lions Center for the Blind is holding their grand opening at 2115 Broadway in Oakland on October the 13<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm. Also, the Lions Center for the Blind has put together a training program to educate groups like BART regarding accessibility, as well as to make sure employers are abiding by ADA rules.

#### **7. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

No opposition to Carmen's motion to approve minutes of the August 25th, 2011 meeting, (second by Gerry). Motion carries unanimously.

#### **8. Public Comments**

Michelle talked about the fare evasion that occurs at Bay Fair and 19<sup>th</sup> Street and said that it angers to see it happen so regularly.

#### **9. Member Announcements**

Carmen shared with members that she has been invited to attend the mayor's dinner in Pleasanton.

She said that Wheels will be having their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration on October 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 3:00 to 5:00pm, and that everyone is welcome to attend.

Jim stated that it is refreshing to know that BART is doing more and more outreach, especially at the Webster Street jam.

He expressed concern with the lack of security at Bay Fair Station, especially in the elevators.

#### **10. Future Agenda Topics**

- Oakland Airport Connector
- Staff Contact for FTA Audit
- Member Application
- Clipper
- Meet New GM
- Staff Liaison
- Ethics Training
- Elevators; also cone clutter, odor

The tentative dates for the next two meetings are:

-Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011

-Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 2:30 p.m.