

Pierce Transit Community Transportation Advisory Group (CTAG) Pierce Transit Training Center Rainier Conference Room Minutes – March 22, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Cody Bakken called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

CTAG Members Present: Cody Bakken, Aaron Dumas, Denise Edington, Bill Elder, Blake Geyen, Don

Green, Tommy Manning, Sandy Paul and Hongda Sao

CTAG Members Absent: None

Pierce Transit Employees Present: Penny Grellier; Business Partnership Administrator

INTRODUCTIONS

Both current and new member introductions transpired.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tommy Manning motioned to approve the amended February 22, 2018 minutes. Bill Elder seconded. Motion carried.

CTAG MEMBERS COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sandy Paul reported on the Transform Project public meeting she attended on February 22nd. Tommy Manning reported SHUTTLE will be implementing a new computer dispatch system. Aaron Dumas reported on the High Capacity Transit (HCT) meeting he attended. Bill Elder reported on Tacoma Dome Light Rail Extension meeting he will attend later this week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Robert Hill suggested the wording on the Pierce Transit bus pass should be changed. The current, "Good Till 2:59 AM the Following Day" gives the impression that Pierce Transit has routes that run until that posted time.

Robert also suggested having different hourly transfer tiers depending on how much money the customer pays. Examples suggested included: \$1.25 for one ride, \$2.00 for a one hour transfer, \$2.50 for a two hour transfer and so on. Robert ultimately wants a broader range of choices for the public.

Robert also suggested Pierce Transit create an exclusive pass just for Pierce Transit routes. This pass would cost less than the traditional \$72.00 monthly pass.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. <u>Public Records Review – Penny Grellier</u>: Penny reported on the Open Public Meetings Act and what that means for CTAG.

Tommy Manning asked how public communication should be handled amongst members.



2. <u>Lincoln Revitalization Shelter Art Project Update – Mike Haeflinger</u>: Mike Haeflinger distributed a handout regarding the Lincoln Revitalization Shelter Art Project which will be occurring in late 2018. Mike gave a brief overview of the grant awarded to Write 253 from The Tacoma Arts Commission. Mike discussed plans to display local poetry submitted from youth at schools in the vicinity. Pieces include posters being affixed to glass panels at three bus shelters and poem verses being painted on the sidewalks with environmentally friendly hydrophobic paint. All artwork will include an array of languages to reflect the demographic makeup of the district.

Cody Bakken asked if the grant distributed include replacement costs if the posters are damaged at a shelter. Mike informed the posters will only be up for a short period of time, so if they're damaged, they won't be replaced.

3. <u>Limited Access Connections Project Update – Penny Grellier</u>: Penny reported an agreement was reached at the March 12th Board of Commissioners' meeting naming Lyft as partner for the Limited Access Connections Project. The goal of this project is to help bridge time and route gaps of service for Pierce Transit users in specific areas. Lyft is in the process of creating a geofence to encapsulate areas where the service can be utilized with specific codes customers can use. The anticipated launch date is mid- to late April 2018 with the project lasting one year, or until funds run out.

MEMBER DELIBERATION

Sandy Paul was nominated as the alternate for the High Capacity Transit (HCT) committee. Honda Sao was nominated as the alternate for the Tacoma Dome Link Extension (TDLE) committee.

PIERCE TRANSIT NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Penny Grellier reported on volunteer opportunities for the following activities:
- March 29 and April 4: rider count at Pierce College Puyallup and Puyallup Sounder Station.
- April 14 outreach booth at the Sustainability Expo.
- April 19, 20, 21 and 22: outreach booth at the Puyallup Spring Fair.
- Former CTAG Chair Chris Karnes purchased 3 copies of the book <u>Human Transit: How Clearer Thinking About Public Transit Can Enrich Our Communities and Lives</u> for all CTAG members.
- Cody Bakken reported on the Intercity Transit Community Advisory Committee he attended on March 20th
- Members selected Don Green to present the CTAG Quarterly Report at the Board of Commissioners' meeting on April 9th.
- Blake Geyen reported delivery trucks are parking in bus zones at the stop adjacent to UWT which
 prevent wheelchair passengers from boarding. Blake also reported Route 409 on Pierce Transit's
 Website incorrectly mentions service to Sumner Sounder Station.

ADJOURNMENT

Tommy Manning motioned to adjourn meeting. Bill Elder seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Submitted by:

Penny Grellier, Business Partnership Administrator

Bakken, CTAG Chair