

Pierce Transit Community Transportation Advisory Group (CTAG) Pierce Transit Training Center Rainier Conference Room Minutes – March 23, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Chris Karnes called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

CTAG Members Present: Cody Bakken, Denise Edington, Chris Karnes, Tommy Manning, Steve Schenk, Richard Zalucha and Hongda Sao

CTAG Members Absent: Sandy Paul

Pierce Transit Employees Present: Penny Grellier; Business Partnership Administrator and Sharon

Stockwell; Senior Employer Services Coordinator

INTRODUCTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sandy Paul was marked absent on the February 23, 2017 minutes, though she was present. Chris Karnes motioned to approve the February 23, 2017 minutes with suggested corrections. Tommy Manning seconded. Motion carried. Signature of the corrected minutes will occur at the April 27, 2017 meeting.

CTAG MEMBERS AND STAFF REPORT ON ACTIVITES

Penny Grellier reported on the CTAG Work Plan.

Chris Karnes reported on the Tacoma News Tribune's article regarding Pierce Transit's Service Change and ADA accessibility issues with some bus stops.

Chris also reported on proposed cuts pertaining to federal funding mechanisms used to fund high capacity transit.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Betsy P. Elgar, local businesswoman and transit rider, read a statement pertaining to Pierce Transit's service and submitted a copy to the CTAG Board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Community College Discount Student Passes – Sharon Stockwell: Sharon Stockwell reported that Clover Park Technical College's pilot system for the discount student pass is scheduled to start on April 1st, with retroactive approval sought at the Board of Commissioners meeting on April 10, 2017. Data will be gathered and applied from this pilot system to gauge ridership and pricing for future pilots. Students will use their college ID affixed with a quarter-specific sticker indicating the validity of the pass. The discount pass will be valid only for local Pierce Transit service.

Board members shared ideas about the Community College Discount Pass.

MEMBER DELIBERATION

Members deliberated on future discussion items, in particular a request to hear information on the future of Pierce Transit's SHUTTLE program.

PIERCE TRANSIT NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Denise Edington reported on her Street Team Outreach for the March service change.

Penny Grellier reported on volunteer opportunities for the Puyallup Spring Fair from April 20-23.

Penny Grellier reported on the current status of the Placemaking Project on behalf of Sandy Paul.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned by Chair, Chris Karnes at 6:37 PM.

Submitted by:

Penny Grellier, Business Partnership Administrator

Approved by:

Chris Karnes, CTAG Chair

Cooly Bakken CTAG Vice Chair