

Authority Meeting Highlights
a brief recap of the Authority Meeting of February 6, 2013

Action Items

Wednesday night, the Authority:

- Approved the General Manager's recommendation to appoint Kathleen Perkins, Scheduling Coordinator, to the Intercity Transit Pension Committee for a four-year term to end January 31, 2017. (*Ann Freeman-Manzanares*)
- Authorized the General Manager to enter into a contract with Convergent Technology Systems (CTS) to replace the network cabling in the Administration and Operations Facility in the not-to-exceed amount of \$51,897, including tax. (*Erin Hamilton*)
- Authorized the Chair of the Intercity Transit Authority to enter into a contract for executive search services with Prothman Company in the amount of \$26,500, including taxes. (*Marilyn Hemmann*)
- Authorized the General Manager, pursuant to Washington State Contract 06812, to issue a purchase order to Bud Clary Auto for the purchase of one 2013 Dodge Ram 1500 crew cab, half ton pick-up truck in the amount of \$32,014.22, including tax. (*Jeff Peterson*)
- Elected Citizen Representative Martin Thies, Chair and Tumwater Councilmember Ed Hildreth, Vice Chair of the Transit Authority. This is for a one-year term through the regular meeting of February 2014. (*Rhodetta Seward*)
- Completed committee assignments as follows:

--Thurston Regional Planning Council: Alternate	Commissioner Karen Valenzuela Citizen Representative Karen Messmer
--Transportation Policy Board: Alternate	Councilmember Ed Hildreth Citizen Representative Karen Messmer
--Pension (401K) Committee	Councilmember Joe Baker
--Thurston Sustainable Task Force	Citizen Representative Ryan Warner

Other items of interest:

- Bid **farewell** to outgoing Authority member County Commissioner **Sandra Romero** who served six years.
- Introduced Yelm **Councilmember Tracey Woods**, member Joe Baker's alternate on the Authority.

- Received an update on the *General Manager hiring process*. Staff will contact Authority members by the week of February 25th to schedule individual appointments with Prothman Company. The primary focus of these meetings will be to identify skills, competencies and attributes desired in the next General Manager. Then Prothman Company will meet with the Authority as a whole to reach consensus as to what they desire in the position.
- The **service change** is scheduled for February 17 and the **fare change** goes into effect at the same time. **Routes 45 and 60** will have minor schedule adjustments.
- The new **bus schedule book** features Berl & Denise Colley. Berl was a long-time member of our Accessible Services Advisory Committee and then a member of our Citizen Advisory Committee.
- We provided 1,700 trips in a 6-hour period for the **Inaugural Ball**.
- At the end of 2012, we had **214 vanpool groups** and after the January 1 fare increase, we are down to 206 vanpool groups. All nine groups cited the fare increase as the reason for disbanding. Pierce Transit is considering limiting their vanpool group to just those originating or ending their trips within their PTBA. We've already begun receiving calls from groups seeking options.
- The January 25, 2013, **Hawks Prairie Park-and-Ride Grand Opening** was a grand success, with great weather and a good turnout. WSDOT wrote a nice blog about the event.
- **WSTA** hosted their **Legislative Conference** last week. Several members of the transportation committee were present to speak along with Secretary of Transportation Hammond and several lobbyists.
- **WSTA** is watching several bills including SB5099, Alternative Fuel Bill and HB 1128, a public records bill.
- **Twin Transit** is proposing a route to Thurston County. Intercity Transit staff met with Twin Transit's General Manager and began coordinating with them to make it work.

Rhodetta Seward

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