Authority Meeting Highlights a brief recap of the Authority Meeting of August 21, 2019

Action Items

Wednesday night, the Authority:

- Adopted the 2018 Annual Report/2019-2024 Transit Development Plan. (Rob LaFontaine)
- Appointed the General Manager or designee to serve on the Regional Recovery Task Force as detailed in the Thurston Region Disaster Recovery Framework. (Emily Bergkamp)

Other Items of Interest:

- Welcomed Daniel Van Horn, IS Help Desk Technician; Zion Randall, Vehicle Detailer; Victor Ellison, Operations Supervisor; and the Operators Class 19-04 Marcos Carranza; Jordan Williams; Sean Rothwell; Bill Moody; Ben Morrison; Ruben Heredia; Jimmy Hollingsworth; Meredith; Summer Mercier; Mark Kaylor; Somer Christensen; Kimberly Wiseman; Robert Jarvis; Jason Bryant; Eugene Blake; Gavin Kramer; Cristy Ely; Steve Batten.
- Merlin Maley from Stantec provided an overview of the Pattison Base Maintenance, Operations and Administration master planning effort, that included a discussion on emerging technologies.
- Emily Bergkamp provided an overview of Intercity Transit's role in Emergency Management.
- Board member, Don Melnick, shared feedback from his attendance at the APTA Sustainability Multimodal Planning Workshop, held in Boston.
- Jonathon Yee and Paul Koleber updated the Authority on the experience of other systems implementing electric and other alternatively fueled buses.
- The Washington State Transportation Conference and Roadeo was held August 18 20 in Seattle. It was an amazing conference with over 50 sessions. Intercity Transit celebrated their Excellence in Transit recipients (*Finance Team: Suzanne Coit, Angie Shamburger, Lori Vani and Kiera Maryott; Mike Reinhardt in Maintenance and Randy Laffey in Operations*). And for the fifth year in a row, we brought home the Grand Champion Award.
 - Maintenance Team came in 1st Place Joe Bell, Grant Swidecki and James Bush;
 - Dan Savage took 1st Place Body on Chassis and 1st Place Mobility Device Securement;
 - o David Randall took 2nd Place 35';
 - Rob Wood took 1st Place 40' with a record setting perfect score on the course;

- Former Intercity Transit General Manager, Mike Harbor, is retiring from Sound Transit effective December 5, 2019, and at the WSTA 3rd quarter Board meeting, as the WSTA President, Freeman-Manzanares had the honor of recognizing him for his many years of leadership.
- Staff will provide an update on the 2019 budget at either the October 16 or November 6 Authority meeting. We started the year with 327 employees, and as of the August 25 payroll, we have 393 employees. We've hired 90 employees in the past seven months. Staff is working on the proposed budged based on the Long Range Plan and the Strategic Plan. The target for approval of the draft Strategic Plan is November 6.

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