

MONONGALIA COUNTY URBAN MASS

TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

October 15, 2008

Authority Members Present:

Jenny Dinsmore
Asel Kennedy
David Flynn
Ronald Bane
Hugh Kierig

Authority Members Not Present:

Denny Poluga

Other Personnel Present:

David Bruffy
Wayne Pifer
Heather Lemansky
Sheila M. Wolfe

Call to Order:

The Transit Authority Board Meeting for October 15, 2008 was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Reading and Approval of Minutes (September 10, 2008)

David Flynn Made a Motion to accept the September 10, 2008 Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Ronald Bane seconded the Motion.

For: All

Opposed: None

Presentations:

A. September 2008 Driver of the Month

The Board announced the Authority's September 2008 Driver of the Month, Mr. James Huffman. The Board also recognized Ray St. Clair, Robert Lee, David Stump, Tim Baureis, and Walter Flint for their outstanding performance during the month of September 2008.

Opportunity for Public Comments:

There were representatives from the Greater Morgantown Area Youth Commission present. They will be attending the meeting to discuss an item on the agenda concerning Youth Commission Free Ride Program (under New Business).

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Ronald Bane Made a Motion to accept the recommendation from the Audit Selection Committee to contract with Tetrick and Bartlett, PLLC as the auditor for fiscal year 2007-2008. Hugh Kierig seconded the Motion.

For: All

Opposed: None

Old Business:

A. Intermodal Facility Update

The General Manager stated that the ground breaking ceremony had occurred. He summarized the design improvements to the facility that had been made in the interest of public transit.

B. West Virginia University Contract Update

The General Manager stated that the purchase order has been approved for the contract with West Virginia University.

New Business:

A. Youth Commission Free Ride Program

The General Manager stated that Dan Wright, Greater Morgantown Area Youth Commission Coordinator, would like to get the Youth Commission Free Ride Program started on a permanent basis. The Youth Commission Free Ride Program was done on a trial basis last year. The General Manager stated that one of the issues with the program was making it more convenient for the students to get their I.D. card that they could swipe in Mountain Line Transit fareboxes. Dan Wright is going to work with Mountain Line Transit in trying to use the current student I. D. cards from each school.

Dan Wright stated that he works on this on a full-time basis and there is support from the schools to get this program started. He will bring a test I. D. in for Mountain Line to see if the school I.D.'s are useable.

Conner Gould, Angela Wiley, and Maria Panaccione also attended the Board Meeting representing the Greater Morgantown Area Youth Commission.

Angela Wiley requested that the Youth Commission members receive training on how to use the routes and how the system works.

Dan Wright would like to be able to link the Greater Morgantown Area Youth Commission's web site with Mountain Line's web site.

The General Manager stated that he will bring information back to the Mountain Line Transit Board Members with his recommendations for the time frame and funding levels.

B. United Way "Jobs" Pass

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The General Manager stated that Jena Prokopchuk from the United Way has requested that Mountain Line Transit work with them to create a Job Pass program to transport people to new employment until they can get their first pay check. Jena Prokopchuk asked if there would be a way to provide reduced 30 day monthly pass or a discounted 30 day monthly pass.

Hugh Kierig stated that more information is needed on this program.

Jenny Dinsmore asked that the General Manager get more information on how this program will be funded and who will be responsible for safe guarding it to keep the program from being abused.

C. Busride Kiosk Development

The General Manager stated that the Kiosk is under construction and he had spoken with Tyler Richmond WVU Student representative, about locations for the Kiosk for the busride screen. He chose to go with the “My Bus” Screen for the display. The General Manager summarized for the Transit Authority Board what the Kiosk would be made of and what components would be included with them. The Kiosk should be ready within the next thirty days.

Adjournment:

David Flynn Made a Motion to adjourn at 7:35 PM.