

San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District

2150 Webster Street, P. O. Box 12688, Oakland, CA 94612-2688



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF THE 1,927TH MEETING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2023

Members of the Board of Directors

Janice Li, President (District 8)

Mark Foley, Vice President (District 2)

Debra Allen (District 1)

Rebecca Saltzman (District 3)

Robert Raburn (District 4)

John McPartland (District 5)

Elizabeth Ames (District 6)

Lateefah Simon (District 7)

Bevan Dufty (District 9)

MEETING DESCRIPTION

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors was held on February 23, 2023, convening at 9:04 a.m., via teleconference and in the BART Board Room, 2150 Webster Street, 1st Floor, Oakland, California, pursuant to all necessary findings having been made by the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (for itself as well as all subordinate legislative bodies) to continue remote public meetings in the manner contemplated under urgency legislation Assembly Bill No. 361. The Meeting was a Board Workshop. President Li presided, April B. A. Quintanilla, District Secretary.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Li called the Meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

A. Roll Call.

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Allen, Ames, Foley, McPartland, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Li.

Directors Present via Teleconference: Director Dufty.

Absent: None.

B. Pledge of Allegiance. Director McPartland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Introduction of Special Guests. There were no special guests introduced.

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

President Li brought the following Consent Calendar item before the Board:

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of December 1, 2022 (Special).

Action

Director Raburn moved to approve the Consent Calendar item. Director Simon seconded the motion, which carried by unanimous roll call vote and resulted in the action outlined below.

Vote Summary:

Moved / Seconded: Director Raburn / Director Simon

Aye: Directors Allen, Ames, Dufty, Foley, McPartland, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Li.

No: 0.

Abstain: 0.

Result: 9-0, motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

A. The Minutes of the Meeting of December 1, 2022 (Special) were approved. (*Vote: 9-0*)

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Li called for general Public Comment, an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board of Directors on matters under their jurisdiction and not on the agenda.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Aleta Dupree
Clarence R. Fisher
Ayonna Davis
Wilhelmenia Wilson

4. **WORKSHOP**

President Li gave opening remarks regarding the Board Workshop, including an expression of gratitude to staff for their efforts to facilitate and prepare for the Workshop and to the members of the public for their engagement in the Workshop.

Robert Powers, General Manager, gave an overview of the Workshop and commented on the Workshop's focus on BART's financial outlook and the customer experience as the bases of the fiscal cliff; thanked staff for their efforts to coordinate and prepare for the Workshop; and recognized Theresa Rommel, Director of Funding Policy and Programs, Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC); Rebecca Long, Director of Legislation and Public Affairs, MTC; and Michael Pimentel, Executive Director, California Transit Association (CTA), for their attendance and participation in the Workshop.

A. Introduction, Regional Context, and Financial Outlook.

President Li brought the item before the Board.

Hannah Lindelof, Group Manager, Policy Planning; General Manager Powers; Michael Eiseman, Director of Financial Planning; and Christopher Simi, Director of Budgets, presented the item.

Public Comment

Aleta Dupree and Adina Levin addressed the Board.

Discussion

The presentation was discussed.

Public Comment

President Li reopened public comment on Item 4-A.

Adina Levin addressed the Board.

Director Dufty exited the Meeting.

Discussion

Discussion continued.

Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information and discussion only.

The Board Meeting recessed at 10:45 a.m.

The Board Meeting reconvened at approximately 10:50 a.m.

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Allen, Ames, Foley, McPartland, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Li.

Directors Present via Teleconference: None.

Absent: None. Director Dufty entered the Meeting later.

Director Dufty entered the Meeting via teleconference.

B. Financial Stability: Short-Term and Long-Term Strategies.

President Li brought the item before the Board.

Rodd Lee, Assistant General Manager, External Affairs; Michael Pimentel, Executive Director, CTA; Theresa Rommel, Director of Funding Policy and Programs, MTC; Rebecca Long, Director of Legislation and Public Affairs, MTC; and Alicia Trost, Chief Communications Officer, presented the item.

Public Comment

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Aleta Dupree
Bob Allen
Raul Maldonado
Bryan Culbertson
Ian Griffiths
Adina Levin

Discussion

The presentation was discussed.

Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information and discussion only.

The Board Meeting recessed at 12:43 p.m.

The Board Meeting reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Allen, Ames, Foley, McPartland, Raburn, Saltzman, Simon, and Li.

Directors Present via Teleconference: None.

Absent: None. Director Dufty entered the Meeting later.

C. Customer Satisfaction Survey: Results and Areas of Focus.

President Li brought the item before the Board.

David Martindale, Director of Marketing and Research, and Maureen Wetter, Principal Research Project Analyst, presented the item.

Public Comment

Aleta Dupree addressed the Board.

Discussion

The presentation was discussed.

Director Dufty entered the Meeting via teleconference.

Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information and discussion only.

D. Improving Customer Experience.

President Li brought the item before the Board.

Michael Jones, Deputy General Manager; Alaric Degrafinried, Assistant General Manager, Administration; Ed Alvarez, Chief of Police; Shane Edwards, Assistant General Manager, Operations; Sylvia Lamb, Assistant General Manager, Infrastructure Delivery; and Chief Communications Officer Trost presented the item.

Director Saltzman exited the Meeting.

Public Comment

The following individuals addressed the Board:

John Arantes
Aleta Dupree
Steven Keller
Zach Lipton
Andrea Horbinksi
Adina Levin

Discussion

The presentation was discussed.

Public Comment

President Li reopened Public Comment on Item 4-D.

Bryan Culbertson and Raul Maldonado addressed the Board.

Discussion

Discussion continued.

Director Simon exited the Meeting.

Director Dufty exited the Meeting.

Discussion

Discussion continued.

Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information and discussion only.

The Board Meeting recessed at 3:48 p.m.

The Board Meeting reconvened at 4:10 p.m.

Directors Present in Oakland: Directors Allen, Ames, Foley, McPartland, Raburn, and Li.

Directors Present via Teleconference: None.

Absent: Directors Dufty, Saltzman, and Simon.

E. Board Workshop Summary.

President Li brought the item before the Board.

Policy Planning Group Manager Lindelof presented the item and encouraged attendees to complete the Workshop survey.

Public Comment

No comments were received.

Discussion

The item was discussed.

Action

No Board action was taken, as the item was presented for information and discussion only.

F. In Memoriam

On behalf of Director Simon, President Li requested that the Meeting be adjourned in honor of Jennifer Angel, a community leader and local business owner.

ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m. in honor of Jennifer Angel.

April B. A. Quintanilla
District Secretary