

# EASTERN SIERRA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

## Minutes of Friday, January 19, 2018 Regular Meeting

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority was called to order at 8:37 a.m. on Friday, January 19, 2018 at the City of Bishop Council Chambers, in Bishop, California. The following members were present: Bob Gardner, Karen Schwartz, Jeff Griffiths, Kirk Stapp and Cleland Hoff. Matt Kingsley, Jim Ellis and Bill Sauser were absent. Director Hoff led the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comment	None.
Approval of Minutes	Moved by Director Griffiths and seconded by Director Gardner to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 8, 2017. Motion carried 4-0, with Director Hoff abstaining and Directors Kingsley, Ellis and Sauser absent.
2018 Board Meeting Calendar	Moved by Director Griffiths and seconded by Director Schwartz to reschedule the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority's 2018 April and August board meetings to April 13 <sup>th</sup> and August 10 <sup>th</sup> to avoid conflict with the California League of City meetings. Motion carried 5-0 with Directors Kingsley, Ellis and Sauser absent.
Salary Schedule Ratification	Moved by Director Schwartz and seconded by Director Hoff to ratify the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority's salary schedule which will be publicly available in compliance with CalPERS regulation. Motion carried 5-0 with Directors Kingsley, Ellis and Sauser absent.
Drug and Alcohol Policy Update	Moved by Director Griffiths and seconded by Director Stapp to pass and approve Resolution 2018-01, adopting ESTA's revised drug and alcohol testing policy. Motion carried 5-0 with Directors Kingsley, Ellis and Sauser absent.
State of Good Repair Program Project List	Moved by Director Hoff and seconded by Director Gardner to pass and approve Resolution 2018-02, authorizing the execution of the Certifications and Assurances and project list for the California State of Good Repair Program for FY 2017-18. This program is funded by SB1. Motion carried 5-0 with Directors Kingsley, Ellis and Sauser absent.
Charter Regulations Review	Information was presented to the Board regarding federal charter regulations affecting Eastern Sierra Transit. The report noted that an exemption exists that will permit ESTA to provide transportation services for an upcoming meeting of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy to be held in the eastern sierra.

2016/17 Audited Financial Statements	<p>Mr. Helm presented the Audited Financial Statements for FY 2016/2017.</p> <p>Director Schwartz stepped out of the meeting at 9:05 a.m.</p>
Financial Reports	<p>Mr. Helm presented the Financial Report for FY 2017/18 for the period ending January 17, 2018.</p> <p>Director Schwartz returned to the meeting at 9:10 a.m.</p>
Operations Reports	<p>Mr. Helm presented the Operations Report for the month of December 2017.</p>
Board Member Reports	<p>Director Griffiths reported attending CSAC and provided information regarding a repeal measure for the SB1 gas tax that provides monies for transit and road repair. Signatures are currently being collected and the repeal is expected to be on the ballot in November and include a very high bar for obtaining transit funding in the future, should the repeal pass. CSAC is funding a fight against the repeal. In addition to opposing the repeal of SB1, Director Griffiths suggests support of ACA5, an amendment to the state constitution protecting transportation revenue.</p> <p>Director Gardner suggested that when projects are approved that make use of the funds provided by SB1, that the legislation be specifically mentioned so it is better understood how SB1 funding provides tangible benefits.</p> <p>Director Gardner reported continued discussion regarding whether the free June Lake Summer Shuttle will run in 2018.</p>
Executive Director Report	<p>Mr. Helm reported that effective February 1, 2018, ESTA is moving the Carson City bus stop from the Nugget to the JAC bus stop by Walmart. The change will provide about 10 minutes of time savings on the 395 Route and gives riders better access to other public transportation within Carson City.</p> <p>Mr. Helm also reported that Mammoth trolleys are having onboard video installed within the next month thanks to state funding for improved transit security.</p>
Future Agenda Items	<p>None.</p>

Closed Seccession	<p>Open session was recessed at 9:38 a.m. to convene in closed session with Directors Kingsley, Ellis and Sauser absent, to consider Agenda item #16:</p> <p>Public employment, employee recruitment. (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)). Position: Executive Director</p>
Report on Closed Session	<p>Closed session was recessed at 10:19 a.m. Director Stapp indicated there was nothing to report from the closed session.</p>
Adjournment	<p>The Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 10:20 a.m.</p> <p>The next regular meeting of the Eastern Sierra Transit Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for February 16, 2018, at The Town of Mammoth Lakes.</p>

Recorded & Prepared by:



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Minutes approved:

