



**INTERCITY TRANSIT CONSORTIUM**  
**Minutes of the meeting of**  
**August 30, 2006**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Fink called the regular meeting of the SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium to order at approximately 10:07 a.m. in the Solano Transportation Authority Conference Room.

**Consortium**

<b>Present:</b>	John Andoh	Benicia Breeze
	Jeff Matheson	Dixon Rendi-Ride
	George Fink	Fairfield/Suisun Transit
	Brian McLean	Vacaville City Coach

<b>Also Present:</b>	Daryl Halls	STA
	Dan Christians	STA
	Janet Adams	STA
	Elizabeth Richards	STA/SNCI
	Jayne Bauer	STA
	Sam Shelton	STA
	Johanna Masiclat	STA

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On a motion by Jeff Matheson, and a second by Brian McLean, the SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium approved the agenda.

**III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

None presented.

#### **IV. REPORTS FROM CALTRANS, MTC, AND STA STAFF**

**Caltrans:** None presented.

**MTC:** None presented.

**STA:** Jayne Bauer announced STA's 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards on November 8, 2006 at the Nut Tree Family Park in Vacaville. She informed the Consortium of the August 31, 2006 deadline for all the nominations to be submitted to the STA.

Sam Shelton provided and distributed information on funding grant for FY 2007-08 of the Bicycle Transportation Account (BTA) due on December 1, 2006.

#### **VI. CONSENT CALENDAR**

On a motion by Jeff Matheson, and a second by Brian McLean, the SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved Consent Calendar Items A through G.

Recommendation:

**A. Minutes of the Consortium Meeting of June 28, 2006**

Recommendation:

Approve minutes of June 28, 2006.

**B. STA Board Meeting Highlights – July 12, 2006**

Informational

**C. Updated STA Board and Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2006**

Informational

**D. Funding Opportunities Summary**

Informational

**E. Consulting Services to Support the City Council Coordinating Council Monitor and Provide Input on Association Bay Area Governments (ABAG)/Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Regional Projects**

Recommendation:

Recommend the STA Board authorize the Executive Director to provide \$20,000 of 2006-07 TLC Program funds to provide consultant services to support the City County Coordinating Council representatives monitor and provide input on ABAG/MTC regional projects.

**F. Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) FY 2006-07 Work Program and FY 2005-06 Annual Report**

Recommendation:

Recommend the STA Board approve SNCI's FY 2006-07 Work Program for Solano County.

**G. Funding Agreement Between the Solano Transportation Authority (STA), the County of Solano, and the City of Vallejo for the I-80 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane/Turner Overcrossing Project Study Report (PSR)**

Recommendation:

Forward recommendation to the STA Board approving the following:

1. Authorizing the Executive Director to execute a funding agreement between Solano Transportation Authority, the City of Vallejo, and the County of Solano for \$1,200,000 for the I-80 HOV Lane/Turner Overcrossing PSR.
2. The allocation of \$80,000 State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) for the STA's 1/3 share of the required local match.

**VII. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. State Transit Assistance Funds (STAF) Proposed Funding Amendment #2 for FY 2006-07**

Elizabeth Richards reviewed the amended FY 2006-07 STA project list and amended draft FY 2007-08 STAF project list for Northern County and Regional Paratransit STAF population-based funds.

Recommendation:

Approve the Amended FY 2006-07 STAF project list and amended draft FY 2007-08 STAF project list for Northern County and Regional Paratransit STAF population-based funds.

On a motion by John Andoh, and a second by Brian McLean, the SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation.

**B. Status of FY 2006-07 Intercity Transit Funding Agreement**

Elizabeth Richards summarized the agreement process with Fairfield/Suisun Transit (FST) concerning STA's management and oversight of Route 90. She requested that the recommendation made by staff to enter into a lease agreement with Fairfield/Suisun Transit and Vallejo Transit be withdrawn. She stated that staff is proposing an identity change from SolanoLinks to SolanoExpress in preparation for the marketing campaign in the fall of 2006.

Recommendation:

Recommend the STA Board approve the following:

1. Authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with Fairfield/Suisun Transit concerning STA's management and oversight of Rt. 90.
2. ~~Authorize the Executive Director to enter into a lease agreement with Fairfield/Suisun Transit and Vallejo Transit concerning over the road coaches that will be used for operating Rt. 90.~~
3. Authorize staff to establish a new identity for Solano County's intercity transit services called "SolanoExpress".

On a motion by Jeff Matheson, and a second by Brian McLean, the SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation as amended shown in ~~strikethrough~~.

**C. Legislative Update – August 2006**

Jayne Bauer requested to withdraw the recommendation to the STA Board to adopt a watch position on Senate Bill 1917.

She proceeded by reviewing the following state and federal legislation bills: SB 1719 (Perata) Transportation funding bill that provides for the distribution of unding from Prop. 42 after FY 2008-09; AB 2538 (Wolk) Planning, Programming and Monitoring bill approved by the Assembly on May 31, 2006; AB 2444 (Klehs) Congestion Management and Motor Vehicle Environmental Mitigation Fess introduced in February 23, 2006; and SB 1611 (Simitian) Congestion Management Fee: Vehicle Registration introduced in February 2006.

**D. Safe Routes to School (SR2S) Phase 2 Public Input Process and Materials**

Sam Shelton summarized the SR2S Phase 2 public input process and materials composed of three (3) community task force meetings, SR2S toolkit of projects and programs, and a school walking audit checklist and SR2S project proposal form. He stated that once the STA Board has adopted the SR2S Phase 2 Public Input Process and Materials, community task forces would have the tools to begin their walking audits and committee meetings as early as October 2006.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to adopt the Safe Routes to School Phase 2 Public Input Process and Materials.

On a motion by Jeff Matheson, and a second by John Andoh, the SolanoLinks Intercity Transit Consortium unanimously approved the recommendation.

## **VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **A. Overview of Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Board Workshop of July 12, 2006**

Janet Adams highlighted several items discussed during the first STA Board Workshop of July 12, 2006. She summarized them as; 1.) Review and Update of Project Funding Priorities Following the Failure of Measure H, and 2.) The Future of Solano County Highway Corridors: a.) Highway Corridor Operation Policy(s), b.) Solano Transportation Authority (STA) Funding Policy for Reliever Routes and Regionally Significant Interchanges, c.) Funding and Implementation of Highway Improvements 2006-2010.

### **B. Status of FY 2007-08 Intercity Transit Funding (ITF) Agreement**

Elizabeth Richards stated that the Request for Proposals for the Transit Finance Assessment Study was released the week of August 21, 2006. She indicated that the proposals are due September 28, 2006 and consultant selection is expected by early October.

### **C. Emergency Ride Home (ERH) Program Update**

Elizabeth Richards announced the first ERH voucher was used on August 10, 2006. She stated that Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) staff is currently working with staff at Napa County Transportation Planning Agency (NCTPA) to develop the ERH Program in Napa County.

### **D. Local Transit Issues**

The cities of Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield, Rio Vista, and Vallejo reported on local transit issues.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:35 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 27, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.** in the STA Conference Room.