

**STANISLAUS REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

**EQUITY AND ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING** Minutes of June  
15, 2023  
(Thursday) 1:00 p.m.

**Important Notice Regarding COVID-19**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Michael Wood, Cesar Rubio, Jacinta Groves, Jenny Kenoyer, Vernon Snodderly, Hannah Brady, Nick Jensen, John Luis, Angelica Gamboa, Mohamed Rashid (remotely present), James Smith

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**ABSENT:** n/a

**STAFF PRESENT:** Adam Barth (CEO), Valerie Fabela, Angela Swanson, Simon Herrera, April Potter Henderson

**ALSO PRESENT:** Monica Streeter (General Counsel), Tanner Smith-Anderson, Steven Morrow (Boardmember), Ron McMurtry, Tyrunisha Brown, Denis Jackson, Hector Medina, Deandra Pettis-Jimenson, Christian Perreira, Darryl Jardine

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Angela Swanson opened the meeting at 1:00 pm

**2. ROLL CALL**

A Quorum of the committee members was present.

Each committee member introduced themselves, where they're from and what interested them in applying to this committee.

**3. REMOTE PARTICIPATION DUE TO EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES**

A. Motion to Approve Member Requests to Participate Remotely due to Emergency Circumstances pursuant to Government Code 54953(f)(2)(A)(ii)

**\*By Motion, (Committee Member Jenny, James), and a 11-0 vote, the Stanislaus Equity and Accessibility Advisory Committee Approved Item 3.A.**

#### **4. SELECTION OF A CHAIR FOR THIS MEETING**

Jenny Kenoyer made a motion electing Angela Swanson to sit as the chair for the remainder of the meeting, until a chair has been selected.

**\*By Motion, (Committee Member Jenny, Jacinta), and a 11-0 vote, the Stanislaus Equity and Accessibility Advisory Committee Approved Item 4.**

#### **5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

These matters may be presented only by interested persons in the audience. Discussion is limited to five minutes or at the discretion of the Chair.

Steven Morrow gave public comments thanking and welcoming the SEAAC members.

#### **6. PRESENTATION**

Brown Act Orientation (Monica Streeter)

Monica gave a presentation going over the 5 main focuses of the Brown Act. These focuses include:

1. The Peoples Business
2. Who does it apply to? *Legislative bodies*
3. Meetings- regular, special, and serial
4. Agenda and notices
5. Closed sessions

Monica went over Assembly Bill (AB) 2449 and the boundaries that need to be followed with this legislation.

Monica advised the committee of Form 700 that each member of the Committee will need to complete.

#### **B. Committee Members Roles and Responsibilities (Angela Swanson)**

Angela went over the roles and responsibilities of this committee. As a large transit agency StanRTA formed this committee as a requirement to provide a formal body and access for area of equity and accessibility for members of the public to collaborate with StanRTA.

C. Transit Operations Presentation (Simon Herrera)

Simon Herrera, Director of Operations, went over the Key Performance Indicators (KPI). The KPI's track fixed route (FR) indicators, FR and commuter ridership, complaints, and demand response (DR) indicators. KPI's go to the monthly board of directors as well. Committee member Hannah suggested a more summarized version of the KPI's. Both Nick and Cesar asked if the KPI's are available online. Unfortunately, this is not available online but if needed outside of the monthly Board of Directors meeting and quarterly SEAAC either Angela or Simon can provide upon request.

D. "Ask the S" Mobile App and Payment Account for Paratransit Service Demonstration (Angela Swanson)

Angela gave a demonstration of the Book the S app available in August 2023 to ADA riders. The demonstration gave step-by-step instructions on how to download the app, sign up for an account, to book your trip, and put funds into the account.

Mohamed suggests posting a "how to" video for using this app. April with StanRTA Head of Marketing and Engagement confirmed there is a video in the works that will be posted to the StanRTA website.

## 7. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. Motion to Approve the StanRTA Equity and Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Calendar for 2023

1. September 14, 2023
2. November 9, 2023
3. March 14, 2024
4. June 13, 2024

**\*By Motion, (Committee Member Kenoyer, Jim Smith), and a 11-0 vote, the Stanislaus Equity and Accessibility Advisory Committee Approved Item 7A of the Consent Calendar.**

## 8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION

A. Election of Officers

Jenny Kenoyer nominates Cesar Rubio as chair of the SEAAC and Cesar accepts.

Jenny nominates Jacinta Groves as vice chair of the SEAAC and Jacinta accepts.

**\*By Motion, (Committee Member Kenoyer), and a 11-0 vote, the Stanislaus Equity and Accessibility Advisory Committee Approved Item 8A of the Discussion and Action item.**

- B. Proposed Fixed Route Service Changes for July and October 2023 resulting from the March 2023 Major Service Change (Simon Herrera)

Simon gave a presentation on Fixed Route changes set to take effect July 31, 2023. These changes have been made due to consumer and operator feedback. Each route that will be affected was gone over in detail. (Routes 10, 24, 29, 45, 48, 60, 61 and BART)

- C. Motion to Recommend the Board of Directors Approve by Resolution the Amended Passenger Conduct Policy (Angela Swanson)

The changes being requested will better reflect the conditions the Authority is currently working in. The changes came from working with Transdev's Safety Committee and the front-line staff. The amended Conduct Policy captures changes in the appeals process, the types of offenses, and suspension duration.

Nick Jensen suggests leaving the administrative review process in place. Nick also suggests expanding on the suspension area that references law enforcement being called which would better reflect the context that which law enforcement would be contacted. Nick would like a document provided that would include the steps included in the suspension process which Angela can provide.

**By Motion, (Committee Member Kenoyer, Wood), and a 11-0 vote, the Stanislaus Equity and Accessibility Advisory Committee Approved Item 8C of the Discussion and Action item.**

## **9. OPERATOR REPORT**

Christian Pereira introduced himself and team to SEAAC.

## **10.AGENCY REPORT**

Adam Barth advised the committee of the following items:

1. Free rides today for Dump the Pump Day
2. Free rides in the month of July are being observed by both StanRTA and Turlock Transit.

3. Extended service for the Stanislaus County Fair.
4. The reopening of the Transit Center event took place earlier today June 15, 2023.
5. StanRTA was awarded two awards in the past couple of months.

## **11. MEMBER REPORTS**

Each member was given the opportunity to share any reports with the committee. Each committee member is excited and thankful to have this collaboration with StanRTA.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:07 PM**

**Next Regularly Scheduled Equity and Accessibility Advisory Committee  
September 14, 2023, at 1:00 pm.**