
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION BOARD

IMU DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI ROOM

7:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 21, 2015

Members Present – Katherine Smith, Katie Nobbe, Andrew Dorsa, Wes Cuprill as proxy for Jalen Watkins, AJ Trittschuh, Jose Mitjavila, Brandon Broadus, Taylor Finch, Calvin Yahn, Jim Grandorf, and Perry Maull

Staff Present – Brian Noojin, Henri Venable

SUMMARY MINUTES

1. Call to Order – Chair Jose Mitjavila called the meeting to order at 6:59 PM.
2. Introductions of Members, Staff, and Guests
3. Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved with no corrections or comments.
4. Approval of Meeting Minutes for April 20, 2015: A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jose Mitjavila and seconded by Perry Maull. The minutes were approved with no changes by unanimous consent.
5. Election of Chair: Jim Grandorf nominated Jose Mitjavila as Chair. Jose Mitjavila was approved by acclamation.
6. Election of Vice-Chair: Calvin Yahn, GPSG and Andrew Dorsa, IFC, both expressed interest in the position. Both candidates made statements after which they were asked to step out of the room. A vote was taken and Andrew Dorsa was elected Vice-Chair.
7. Perry Maull presented the September 2015 Ridership report. He explained that FY 2015 only had a small decline in ridership compared to FY 2014. He attributed the ridership decrease over the past several years to fewer buses operating each year and thus fewer potential riders. Perry also noted that automatic counters have been installed and will soon be operational which will provide more accurate rider counts.
8. Perry Maull presented the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Financial Report. Perry first discussed the Balance Sheet. He highlighted the huge increase in Accounts Payable, because the invoices for the 5 new buses came in the last week of June. The buses were paid for in full at the beginning of the new fiscal year in July. He also highlighted the “Repairs and Maintenance” expenses and attributed them to the cost of refurbishing 18 of the existing buses. This expense should return to previous year levels now that the work is complete. Perry noted the transportation fee will not increase for the next year but operational cost will. Jim Grandorf remarked that dropping diesel fuel costs have helped over the past couple of years. He also thought that fuel prices should remain stable at the current levels,

unless there is some major worldwide event that would disrupt oil flowing from the Middle East. Calvin Yahn requested an update regarding advertising. Perry noted that all exterior advertising space has been sold. This month 4 new wraps were sold to IU Communications for the new campaign: "Fulfilling the Promise." Jose Mitjavila asked about Campus Bus pricing competitiveness. Perry responded that wraps for Campus Bus are cheaper than BT even accounting for the recent price increase. Perry stated that advertising revenue is only a very small fraction of overall Campus Bus Service revenues.

9. Perry Maull requested that members of the STB consider and provide any future agenda items. Items can be sent to him by email.
10. Comments were heard from AFSC representatives regarding the lack of College Mall bus service on weekends on the E Route. They requested the STB consider the imposition placed on family and the international community citing trip length, access, and safety as primary concerns. The AFSC requested the STB expedite any decision regarding this service cancelation. Perry Maull said that the appeal would be placed on the October agenda for consideration by the STB.
11. November Meeting: Jim Grandorf informed the members that the November meeting would fall on the same evening as a home basketball game. Perry Maull said he would check the tip off time for the game and IMU room availability. Please note that the next meeting time and place has been changed to 5 PM in the IMU Charter Room on Monday November 16, 2015.
12. Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on October 19, 2015 at 7 PM. Perry reminded everyone that the next meeting would be at the Joint Transit Facility located at 120 West Grimes Lane. The facility is accessible by Bloomington Transit Route 7 which operates every 20 minutes with stop along Third Street and a bus stop just North of Grimes Lane. He advised to just ask the bus driver to let you off at the bus garage bus stop. We will start the meeting with a tour of the facility.
13. Chair Mitjavila adjourned the meeting at 7:48 PM.