

Approved

By CACOT
on March 14, 2011

**CORVALLIS CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION ON TRANSIT
MINUTES
February 8, 2012**

Present

Stephan Friedt, Chair
Susan Hyne, Vice Chair
Robert Monasky
Evan Sorce
Brandon Trelstad
Robert E. Wilson
Mike Beilstein, Council Liaison

Staff

Tim Bates, Public Works
Brie Caffey, Public Works

Visitors

Bob Greenleaf
Annette Mills, Corvallis Sustainability
Coalition

Absent

Ray Shimabuku
Kriste York

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION

Agenda Item	Information Only	Held for Further Review	Recommendations
I. Introductions	X		
II. Approval of January 11, 2012 Minutes			Approved.
III. CACOT/Visitor Comments	X		
IV. Old Business			N/A
V. New Business			N/A
VI. Information Sharing	X		
VII. Commission Requests and Reports	X		
VIII. Pending Items			N/A
IX. Adjournment			Adjourned at 9:37 am

CONTENT OF DISCUSSION

I. Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 8:23 am by Chair Friedt. Introductions were made of Commission members, staff and visitors.

II. Approval of Minutes

Commissioners Trelstad and Monasky, respectively, moved and seconded to

approve the January 11, 2012 minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

III. CACOT/Visitor Comments

Annette Mills of the Corvallis Sustainability Coalition invited Commission members to attend the Annual Sustainability Fair & Town Hall 2012, scheduled for Thursday, March 1st, at 5:00 pm at the CH2M Hill Alumni Center. Ms. Mills noted that the event is scheduled on a Thursday this year so that participants could ride the bus to and from the event, which extends into Beaver Bus hours. She said the event is free, open to the public, and will include exhibits, music, and food.

IV. Old Business

None.

V. New Business

None.

VI. Information Sharing

Mr. Bates reviewed the Information Sharing Report. Comments in addition to the report included:

Commissioner Sorce said the CTS Fareless One-Year Anniversary Party at OSU will be from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm, February 9th on the OSU Memorial Union quad. The Student Sustainability Initiative will host and fund the event.

Chair Friedt mentioned a situation where a group of 40 school kids were disruptive on a bus, primarily because they may not have had enough adult supervision. He suggested that staff or the Commission educate the public school system on its role in controlling students' behavior when taking student groups on a City bus. Vice Chair Hyne suggested that student groups also be encouraged to alter their trip time to select runs that are less busy. Commissioner Monasky said those issues aside, it is a good thing that school-age kids are being encouraged to ride the bus; everyone agreed.

Mr. Bates shared the PowerPoint created for his and Lisa Namba's presentation at the Northwest Transportation Conference. It included information about CTS's history, funding, plans for the future, and other information.

VII. Commission Requests and Reports

Commissioner Sorce reported that he met with Joseph Dubie of the Community Affairs Task Force at OSU about issues some students are having with CTS bus service. Some complaints included overcrowding, inconvenient route times, inconsistent on-time performance, passengers passed by at bus stops on Witham Hill, and buses not running late enough on campus. Commissioner Sorce said the conversation led to the idea that since these issues are happening to students on routes that service OSU student housing areas, perhaps OSU should share in the cost of increasing CTS service. He reported that members of the Alternative Transportation Advisory Committee felt the issue should be brought to CACOT. Mr. Bates responded that all issues mentioned by Commissioner Sorce will be addressed by a subcommittee in advance of the CTS expansion scheduled for September. Mr. Bates said CTS currently encourages students on Witham Hill to

consider using the C1 to alleviate issues facing the Route 1. Chair Friedt said addressing these issues goes to funding availability. Commissioner Sorce suggested that perhaps OSU can be asked to share in the cost of extra runs or more service after 7:00 pm, to better serve the students. Chair Friedt said Commissioners interested in being on the subcommittee should email Mr. Bates.

VIII. Pending Items

None.

IX. Adjournment

Commissioners Trelstad and Sorce, respectively, moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 am.

NEXT MEETING: March 14, 2012, 8:20 am, Madison Avenue Meeting Room