

Mason County Transportation  
Advisory Board Minutes  
August 27, 2013

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Introductions were made:** In attendance were Glen Fourre, Kevin Frankeberger, Ph.D, John Calabrese, John Piety, Lauren Gessler, Jane Seymour, Christina Kramer & Pamela Hillstrom. Visitors in attendance were Josiah Rowell and Monte Ritter.

**Absent:** Gene Currier, Christina McClathey & Steve Van Denver

**Minutes:** Glen made a motion to approve the July 23, 2013 minutes; Kevin seconded. The minutes were approved.

**Public Comment:** Monte Ritter introduced himself as being on the Mason County Parks Board. With the increase consistent use of the MCRA he is proposing that regular scheduled service be offered to this area. John requested that he continue with his proposal later in the meeting when we get to Outreach Potential.

**Old Business:**

**By-Laws Finish and Pass:** The draft By-Laws were presented. Loren made a motion to approve the changes in the By-Laws and Glen seconded. Kevin requested that documents to be forwarded to him in Word format instead of a PDF format so he can read them. He abstained from the vote. The motion passed.

**Bus Ad's Update:** In recent meetings there was some discussion about allowing paid advertising on Mason Transit vehicles. This is not to be confused with Public Service Announcements. Several years ago, as an advisory board, we worked on further defining the criteria of what constituted as a Public Service Announcement. It was went the Mason Transit Authority Board on February 9, 2010 and it was approved. Currently, the Public Service Announcements Policy is in use.

**Survey Update:** Jane will have a draft at joint meeting in September.

**Outreach Potential:** Monte continued with his proposal to have a John's Prairie Loop route. Having regular service would go a long ways to get youth participation at MCRA along with providing service to the business area including the newly relocated PUD and some residential areas that haven't had scheduled service. He suggested some duplicate service be reduced/eliminated on Route 7 in the Northcliff area and redirect the service to include the "John's Prairie Loop" via Capital Hill. This would give service to a population that hasn't had scheduled service in the past. If approved, they would fund an illuminated bus stop at MCRA

Park. It was discussed that a Community Van program is available. Christina offered to attend his next Park board meeting to present the van program.

**New Business:**

**New Application for Membership:** Josiah Rowell submitted his application for membership on the Mason County Transportation Advisory Board. He told a little about his background. He was raised in Eastern Washington and graduated from Central Kitsap. He has been in the military and recently moved to Union. He is finishing his marketing degree at the University of Washington-Tacoma. He acknowledges that Transportation is important to the local economy and would like to offer his leadership and management skills.

Josiah and Monte stepped out of the room while MCTAB voted on whether he be recommended to be placed on the board. It was approved by consensus.

**General Manager's Report:** None

**Operations Manager's Report:** Jane provided the Operations Report for July. Overall ridership is up over the same period last year including YTD.

Discussion also took place concerning Link Service. There were 24 passengers on Link Service from Harstein Island this morning. Currently Link Service is not track separately. Kevin said that Link service isn't available after 2:30 p.m. in his area so many things are not available to them due to the time restrictions that Link Service creates.

**Good of the Order:** None

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Next Meeting will be a joint meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. at the Port of Allen.