

MOBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MAC)

The Lichtanski Administrative Building (LAB)
First Floor Board Room, 19 Upper Ragsdale Dr., Monterey, CA 93940

MINUTES

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call

Chairperson Kurt Schake called the meeting to order at 1:13 p.m. in the Monterey-Salinas Transit Board of Directors Chamber room (MST).

Present:

Kurt Schake	Veterans Transition Center
Maureen McEachen	Visiting Nurse Association
Diana Trapani	The Blind and Visually Impaired Center
Reyna Gross	Alliance on Aging
Kathleen Murray-Phillips	Monterey County Dept. of Social Services
Melissa McKenzie	Carmel Foundation
Stefania Castillo	Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC)
Jessica McKillip	ITN Monterey
Aimee Cuda	Central Coast Senior Services

Absent:

Alejandro Fernandez	DaVita Dialysis
Maria Magaña	Central Coast Center for Independent Living (CCCIL)
Kazuko Wessendorf	Interim, Inc.

Staff:

Cristy Sugabo	Mobility Services Manager
Claudia Valencia	Mobility Specialist
Kevin Allshouse	Mobility Specialist
Alvin Johnson	Contract Transportation Supervisor
Lisa Rheinheimer	Director of Planning and Marketing

Public:

Don Parslow
Esmeralda Ortiz

MV General Manager
The Blind and Visually Impaired Center

Member Mckillip arrived at 1:19 p.m and Member Castillo arrived at 1:20 p.m.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2.1. Approve minutes of the regular meeting of September 26, 2018.

Member McEachen made a motion to approve the Minutes and Member Cuda seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

4.1. Received presentation from Lisa Rheinhiemer, MST Director of Planning and Marketing on the Salinas Valley Express Transit Study.

4.2. Presentation from Office of Emergency Services, Monterey County on Operational Area Access and Functional Needs (AFN) Working Group will be included in a future MAC meeting.

Agenda item 4.2 was removed by Chair at the request of Staff. Presenter was unable to attend the meeting.

5. MEMBERSHIP

5.1 Chair Schake reminded members that at January 2019 meeting the committee will have its election of officers.

5.2 Member Murray-Phillips made a motion to accept membership resignation for Member Jenny Swad, and to recommend Esmeralda Ortiz for MAC membership representing the Blind and Visually Impaired Center; Member McKillip seconded. The motion was passed unanimously.

6. SUBJECT ITEM FOLLOW UP

6.1. MST's voucher program update

Kevin Allshouse, MST Mobility Specialist provided update on the taxi voucher program. He informed the committee on the changes to participating voucher distribution locations.

7. REPORTS

The Committee will receive these report(s), which do not require action by the Committee.

7.1. MV Transit Report

MV General Manager Don Parslow provided statistical report on the RIDES paratransit service delivery. He mentioned that MV Transportation is hosting one Job Fair per month to fill vacancies

7.2. MST Mobility Updates

Ms. Sugabo reminded the committee that the proposed expansion of the MST RIDES Special Transportation (ST) zones will be presented by Alvin Johnson at the December MST Board Meeting, and that everyone is invited to attend.

Ms. Sugabo informed that MST Navigator Jennifer Cline has volunteered with MST in Mobility Department for 5 years. She asked that the committee recognize and present her with an appreciation award on behalf of MST.

8. SUBJECT ITEM REQUEST

This item(s) will be included on a future agenda for follow-up

Member McKillip requested and update on the outcome of the ST zone expansion proposal to the MST Board of Directors.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APPRECIATIONS

Member Gross showed appreciation to her coworker Maribel Trejo for the outstanding job as a Transportation Coordinator with the Alliance on Aging.

Member Trapani announced that the Mission Trail Lions of Carmel will have their Annual Breakfast with Santa that all proceeds will be for the Blind and Visually Impaired Center and other nonprofit organizations. In addition, Esmeralda Ortiz, Orientation & Mobility Specialist for The Blind and Visually Impaired Center has been developing a sighted guide training, and that she is available to train those who are interested in learning techniques.

Member McEachen announced that the Coping with Grief During the Holidays Event is on Saturday, December 1st at the Carmel Presbyterian Church.

Member McKillip showed appreciation to those who attended the ITN Monterey County Fall Office Social in November, and she hopes to do another one during the Spring.

Chair Schake announced that Carmel Valley Santa's Fly-in is on December 8th at the airport. He also mentioned that the Veteran Transition Center just finished the approval process for a new 71 unit housing complex in Fort Ord.

10. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Schake adjourned the meeting at 2:12 p.m.

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