1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Armenta called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in the MST Conference Room.
Roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Present: Fernando Armenta County of Monterey
Jerry Edelen (alt) City of Del Rey Oaks
Alan Cohen City of Pacific Grove
Libby Downey City of Monterey
Alvin Edwards City of Seaside
Susan Kleber City of King
Frank O’Connell City of Marina
David Pendergrass City of Sand City
Karen Sharp City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
Patricia Stephens City of Soledad

Absent: John Huerta, Jr. City of Greenfield
Sergio Sanchez City of Salinas

Staff: Carl Sedoryk General Manager/CEO
Mike Gallant Planning Manager
Kelly Halcon Director of Human Resources & Risk Management
Hunter Harvath Asst. General Manager/Finance & Administration
Michael Hernandez Asst. General Manager/COO
Tom Hicks Mobility Manager
Deanna Smith Executive Assistant to the GM/CEO
Robert Weber Director of Transportation Services
Sonia Bannister Office Administrator
Dave Laredo General Counsel/De Lay & Laredo

Others: Lance Atencio MV Transportation
Jim Fink Citizen, MST Customer
Eric Petersen Monterey County Green Party
Jon Cappella MST
Ms. Cappella Spouse of Jon Cappella

Apology is made for any misspelling of a name.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

2-1. Review highlights of Agenda. (Carl Sedoryk)
Mr. Sedoryk read the highlights of the agenda.

2-2 Adopt Resolution 2012-20 recognizing Jon Cappella, Operations Supervisor, as Employee of the Month for April, 2012.

2-3 Disposal of property left aboard buses.

2-4 Minutes of the regular meeting of March 19, 2012.


2-6 Adopt Resolution 2012-21 recognizing Jim Conrad, Coach Operator, for 24 years of service.

2-7 Adopt Resolution 2012-22 recognizing Alfred Valdez, Coach Operator, for 11 Years of Service.

2-8 Adopt Resolution of Appreciation 2012-23 recognizing Karen Sharp.

2-9 Appoint Kathleen Murray-Phillips to the CTSA Advisory Committee.

Public Comment – None

**Director Edelen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Director Orozco. The motion carried unanimously.**

### 3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

3-1 April Employee of the Month – Jon Cappella, Operations Supervisor.

Mr. Weber recognized Jon Cappella, Operations Supervisor, as the April Employee of the Month for his positive contribution to MST and the entire community; for helping to establish two new DMV test routes used for the testing and hiring of MST Coach Operators; and for his numerous safety, attendance, and project awards including his assistance in handling an incident where an MST Coach Operator was a victim of a gang related shooting.

Mr. Sedoryk commended Mr. Cappella for operating “by the book” and representing MST with the highest standards of conduct.

3-2 11 Years of Service – Alfred Valdez, Coach Operator.

Mr. Valdez was not present to receive his award.

3-3 Resolution of Appreciation – Karen Sharp.

Ms. Sharp’s presentation was moved to Agenda # 13.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Jim Fink stated that he is opposed to the elimination of Line 43 on weekends and Line 8 mid-day and weekend service. He requests the lines be restored to current schedule. He stated for the record that he supports all proposed fare increases. He requested that the bus schedule be changed to guarantee connections rather than focusing on on-time performance.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5-1 Marketing Committee Minutes from March 19, 2012.

6. BIDS/PROPOSALS

No business.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

No business.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8-1 Adopt MST Bylaw changes re: election of officers, Article VI (b).

Mr. Sedoryk stated that staff had taken the Board’s requests from the meeting of March 19, 2012, and recommended the following changes to the bylaws:

ARTICLE VI. OFFICERS

a. The Board shall appoint annually members to a Nominating Committee responsible for recommending officer appointments to the full Board. The Nominating Committee will meet prior to the month of July of each calendar year and make their recommendations for Board approval at the July Board meeting.

To ensure a diversity of representation, the Board Chair and Vice Chair shall be nominated in a manner that rotates leadership roles according to the following designations:

1. The Salinas Urbanized Area, to include a representative from the City of Salinas;
2. The Seaside-Marina-Monterey Urbanized Area, to include a representative from among the cities of Carmel, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Seaside, Del Rey Oaks, Sand City, and Marina;
3. The Non-Urbanized Areas, to include a representative from among the cities of Gonzales, Greenfield, Soledad, and King City; and
4. The County of Monterey, to include a representative from the Monterey County Board of Supervisors.
b. The Board shall elect a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Treasurer, and Deputy Treasurer at the first regular meeting in July of each calendar year to serve until the first regular meeting in July of the next succeeding calendar year. If the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair are both vacated at any time, the elections for the remainder of the terms shall be held at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Elected Officers shall serve one (1) non-consecutive, two-year (2 year) term.

Director Downey requested population information for the above-mentioned designations. Mr. Harvath provided population estimates.

Director Downey requested clarification on officer rotation and expressed concern that the City of Salinas and County of Monterey representatives would rotate into an officer position too frequently to reflect the desired Board diversity. Mr. Laredo clarified that the intent of the language encouraged a fair rotation and did not require the rotation to follow any specific order. Nominations could be recommended so that no one jurisdiction was given more preference than another.

Mr. Laredo suggested rephrasing Article VI (a), second paragraph, to read:

To ensure diversity of representation, the Board Chair and Vice Chair shall be nominated from among the following designations:

Public Comment

Mr. Fink encouraged full rotation from among all thirteen (13) jurisdiction representatives. He also requested that Board members be elected rather than appointed.

Close Public Comment

Director Stephens made a motion to adopt the recommended changes to the Bylaws, with David Laredo’s suggested modifications, and was seconded by Director Pendergrass. The motion carried unanimously.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9-1 Appoint Ad Hoc Nominating Committee.

Chair Armenta requested volunteers to serve on the Ad Hoc Nominating Committee. The following Directors volunteered: Directors: Edwards (Chair), Kleber, Cohen, Clark (by Director Edelen), Sanchez (by Director Armenta).

10. REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS


Mr. Sedoryk stated that February ridership was up, although February had an extra day of service because of Leap Year. Overall ridership was still higher than usual with ridership especially strong on military routes.

Director Downey asked if Mr. Fink’s recommendations regarding the importance of connections rather than on-time performance would be a consideration. Mr. Sedoryk stated that in May of 1999 it was determined that the highest benefit to riders would be to minimize the number of buses running late rather than compounding the problem by making all buses wait for late connections.

Mr. Sedoryk stated that a Salinas Area Study would soon be released and he was hopeful that there would be route recommendations that would help improve on-time compliance, particularly in the Salinas area.

Public Comment

Mr. Fink stated that he preferred the scheduling prior to May 1999.

Close Public Comment

11. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

12. ATTACHMENTS


13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Sedoryk announced that MST will hold a series of four (4) Public Hearings on proposed fare increases over the next two (2) months.

Mr. Sedoryk announced that Kelly Halcon, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management, was this year’s recipient of the Frank J. Lichtanksi Scholarship awarding her $2,500 in tuition support to attend the Eno Center for Transportation Leadership’s Transit Executive Seminar.

Mr. Sedoryk presented Director Karen Sharp with an award and Resolution thanking her for her years of service to the MST Board of Directors and for being instrumental in bringing the Trolley service to downtown Carmel.
14. CLOSED SESSION


14-2 General Manager Performance Evaluation, Gov. Code § 54957 (b)

Public Comment

None.

Close Public Comment

Chair Armenta moved to Closed Session at 10:51 a.m.

15. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

15-1 Report on Closed Session and possible action.

No reportable action taken.

16. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Armenta adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m.