1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Armenta called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Monterey-Salinas Transit Conference Room.

Present:  
Karen Sharp       City of Carmel-By-The-Sea  
Kristin Clark    City of Del Rey Oaks  
James Ford       City of Marina  
Libby Downey (10:10) City of Monterey  
Vicki Stilwell   City of Pacific Grove  
Tony Barrera     City of Salinas  
Thomas Mancini   City of Seaside  
Fernando Armenta County of Monterey  
Libby Downey (10:10) City of Monterey  
Vicki Stilwell   City of Pacific Grove  
Tony Barrera     City of Salinas  
Thomas Mancini   City of Seaside  
Fernando Armenta County of Monterey  
Lisa Senkir      City of Gonzales (Ex-Officio)

Absent:  None

Staff:  Carl Sedoryk       General Manager/CEO  
Lyn Owens          Director of Human Resources  
Hunter Harvath     Director of Administration  
Michael Hernandez  Chief Operating Officer  
Robert Weber       Dir. Transportation Services  
Sonia Bannister   Office Administrator  
Mark Eccles        Director of IT  
Dave Sobotka       Controller  
Tonja Posey        Human Resources Supervisor  
William Morris     Contract/Transportation Manager

Others:  Dave Laredo DeLay & Laredo  
Heidi Quinn        DeLay & Laredo  
Karleen Russell    Accounting Assistant

Apology is made for any misspelling of a name.

2-1. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session to meet with legal counsel regarding conference with labor negotiators.

Director Downey arrived at 10:10 a.m.
Upon returning to Open Session, General Counsel Laredo provided a status report regarding labor negotiations with ATU. No reportable action was taken by the Board.

4-2. – 4-11. CONSENT AGENDA

The consent agenda items consisted of the following:


4-3. Disposal of property left aboard buses.

4-4. Minutes of the regular meeting of January 14, 2008.


4-6. Claim rejection.

4-7. Authorize disposal of CNG bottles.


4-9. FY 2008 budget transfers.

4-10. Accept FY 2007 audited financial reports.

4-11. Adopt revised Drug & Alcohol policy.

Director Downey moved to approve the items on the consent agenda. Director Stilwell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

David Sobotka, Controller, introduced Karleen Russell, Accounting Technician, as MST Employee of the Month for February 2008. Karleen’s involvement with the implementation of the new FAMIS payroll system was instrumental in getting the necessary data entered and validated on time. With her involvement, MST was able to meet our “go-live” date as planned thus avoiding a possible three-month delay, and all of the complications associated if that had occurred. She has consistently proven her professionalism and dedication. She maintains a positive attitude while remaining flexible to assist where needed within her department.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.
7-1. – 7-2. BOARD COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Board accepted and filed the MST RIDES Advisory Committee Minutes – November 19, 2007; and the MST Finance Committee Minutes – January 4, 2008.

8. BIDS/PROPOSALS

None.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

None.

10-1. AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION MOU

This Memorandum Of Understanding reflects a 2.5% wage increase in the first year with some work rule changes that reflect another .5%. The second and third years of the contract reflect a 3% wage increase each year.

Director Downey moved to ratify the MOU between MST and Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1225. Director Clark seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

11. NEW BUSINESS

None.

12-1. – 12-7. REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS


13. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The MST Board of Directors held their election of officers and re-elected Director Fernando Armenta as Chair and Director Tom Mancini as Vice-Chair. Other staff appointments remain the same.

Director Downey moved to accept the recommendations of the Nominating Committee regarding Board Officers and appointment. Director Ford seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
14. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

None.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Mancini invited everyone to attend the City of Seaside’s pre-stage party at the Seaside City Hall for the Amgen Bike Tour on February 20, 2008.

Director Barrera thanked Mr. Harvath for attending a meeting in Salinas regarding the Hartnell Alisal Campus.

Director Ford asked to have a bus stop added to serve the Marina Public Library on line 16.

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Armenta adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m.

Prepared by: ______________________________

Sonia AR Bannister