1. CALL TO ORDER

1-1 Roll call.

1-2 Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Orozco called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Roll call was taken and Chair Orozco led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present:  
Fernando Armenta County of Monterey  
Tony Barrera City of Salinas  
Victoria Beach City of Carmel-by-the-Sea  
Kristin Clark City of Del Rey Oaks  
Alan Cohen City of Pacific Grove  
Libby Downey City of Monterey  
Alvin Edwards City of Seaside  
Randy Hurley City of Greenfield  
Frank O’Connell City of Marina  
Maria Orozco City of Gonzales  
David Pendergrass City of Sand City  
Patricia Stephens City of Soledad

Absent:  
Terry Hughes City of King

Staff:  
Carl Sedoryk General Manager/CEO  
Hunter Harvath Asst. General Manager/Finance & Administration  
Michael Hernandez Asst. General Manager/COO  
Deanna Smith Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board  
Kelly Halcon Director of Human Resources & Risk Management  
Robert Weber Director of Transportation Services  
Mark Eccles Director of IT  
Tom Hicks CTSA Manager  
Zoe Shoats Marketing Manager  
Mike Gallant Business Development Planner  
Beronica Carriedo Mobility Trainer  
Dave Laredo De Lay & Laredo  
Michelle Overmeyer Grants Analyst  
Sally Cota Customer Service Representative
2. CONSENT AGENDA

2-1 Review highlights of Agenda.

2-2. Adopt Resolution 2014-04 recognizing Beronica Carriedo, Mobility Trainer, as Employee of the Month for September, 2013.

2-3. Disposal of property left aboard buses.


2-7. Adopt Resolution 2014-05 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

2-8. Authorize General Manager/CEO to execute contract with Hartnell College for free fare zones at its 3 campuses for students.

2-9. Approve MSTEA and Confidential Unit Employee Performance Incentives.

2-10. Award contract to survey research consultant for Onboard Rider Survey and Likely Voter Survey.

Public Comment – none.

Director Armenta pulled Item 2-8 and asked if students at the Alisal Hartnell campus will be able to ride for free. Mr. Sedoryk confirmed that any student with a Hartnell ID can ride for free under the program as long as they board at a Hartnell campus stop.

Director Hurley made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Director Cohen. The motion passed unanimously.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

3-1. September Employee of the Month – Beronica Carriedo, Mobility Trainer.

Mr. Hicks recognized Beronica Carriedo for her outstanding service to MST and the entire community.
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

MacGregor Eddy stated that she would like to volunteer her service to MST and assist with public outreach to encourage public transit ridership.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

No action required unless specifically noted.

5-1. Human Resources Committee Minutes from August 2013.

Public Comment – none.

6. BIDS/PROPOSALS

6-1. Trapeze Transit Manager Automatic Vehicle Location System Upgrade.

Mr. Sedoryk provided information on the current Trapeze software and Transit Master Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) hardware and software currently used in MST buses. The upgrade will provide the ability to expand the communication systems throughout the county and into Santa Cruz and San Jose in the future. Without the upgrade, MST is unable to implement the new AVL system. Due to the proprietary nature of the system’s hardware and software, MST cannot retain the services of another vendor and will realize savings of up to $180,000 by hiring local contractors to install the equipment.

Director Downey asked if any MST funds are required for the upgrade. Mr. Harvath confirmed that all funds necessary for purchase are provided through Prop 1B funds without additional expense to MST or its fare-paying passengers.

Director Clark asked if this technology provides for “text the next bus.” Mr. Sedoryk confirmed.

Director Edwards asked why there were contingency funds in the amount of $327,500 included in the total cost of the upgrade. Mr. Eccles stated that it was included to cover any unforeseen costs, and if it was not needed, it would not be spent. He stated the $180,000 in potential savings would be possible by hiring local contractors to install the equipment and, when the time comes, this portion of the contract would go out to bid.

Director Beach stated that she would like a presentation at a future meeting that provided a detail of the technology used in MST buses as well as other technology available or on the horizon.

Director Barrera made a motion to authorize the General Manager/CEO to execute a contract with Trapeze Software Group Inc., to upgrade the Transit Master AVL hardware and software, incorporating a five-year maintenance
support contract, Interactive Voice Response system and North County Radio/Data expansion. The motion was seconded by Director Edwards and carried unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS


   10-4. Correspondence.

Public Comment – none.

11. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

   11-1. Reports on meetings attended by Board Members at MST expense (AB1234).

   11-2. Board Member Comments and Announcements.

   Director Armenta recognized Ms. Eddy for her work among the community to encourage car-free living and congratulated Mr. Sedoryk and Mr. Harvath for their comprehensive transit outreach in the county. He also stated that the request to reimburse MST for the Regional Taxi Authority start up costs has gone successfully before the Board of Supervisors Budget Committee and will be decided soon by the full board.

   Libby Downey stated that she hoped the County of Monterey will do more in the future to help homeless women.

   Mr. Sedoryk reminded the board and public to use the elevator or stairs in the lobby to exit the building.

   Director Edwards asked if there had been any feedback on the new board meeting location. Mr. Harvath stated that the board meeting shuttle from the Monterey Transit Plaza and Sand City Station is still being provided.
Public Comment

Ms. Eddy stated that transportation from Salinas to the board meetings is not clear.

Close Public Comment

11-3. Board Member Referrals for future agendas.

Per the request of Director Beach, a presentation on MST bus technology will be placed on a future agenda.

12. ATTACHMENTS


Chair Orozco moved to Closed Session at 10:34 a.m.

13. CLOSED SESSION

13-1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Litigation - Existing Litigation, (§54956.9(a)): Monterey County Superior Court Case No. M 122629 Cal Signal Corp. v. County of Monterey et al. (No enclosure) (D. Laredo, C. Sedoryk)


13-3 Conference with Labor Negotiators – Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 1225, and MST (D. Laredo, K. Halcon) (§54957.6)

13-4 General Manager Performance Evaluation, Gov. Code (§54957(b)) (No enclosure) (K. Halcon)

14. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

15-1. Report on Closed Session and possible action.

No reportable action taken.
15. **ADJOURN**

   There being no further business, Chair Orozco adjourned the meeting at 11:33 a.m.

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