

**MINUTES**  
**DALLAS AREA RAPID TRANSIT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS'**  
**November 14, 2017**

The Dallas Area Rapid Transit **Board of Directors'** meeting convened on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 6:30 p.m., at DART Headquarters, 1401 Pacific Avenue, Dallas, Texas, with Chair Bauman presiding.

**City of Dallas**

Sue S. Bauman – **Chair**  
Ray Jackson  
Patrick J. Kennedy  
Jon-Bertrell Killen  
Michele Wong Krause– **Secretary**  
Amanda Moreno  
Dominique P. Torres

**City of Garland**

Jonathan R. Kelly – **Assistant Secretary**

**City of Irving**

Rick Stopfer

**City of Plano**

Paul N. Wageman – **Vice-Chair**

**City of Cockrell Hill and Dallas**

Catherine S. Cuellar

**Cities of Carrollton and Irving**

Tim Hayden

**Cities of Farmers Branch and Plano**

Faye Moses Wilkins

**Cities of Garland, Rowlett, and Glenn Heights**

Mark C. Enoch

**Cities of Richardson and University Park; Towns of Addison and Highland Park**

Gary A. Slagel

Ms. Faye Moses Wilkins, Mr. Patrick J. Kennedy and Mr. Tim Hayden were absent.

**General Items:**

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1. **Approval of Minutes:**      **October 24, 2017**

**Mr. Enoch moved to approve the October 24, 2017, Board of Directors' meeting Minutes, and entered into record, as written.**

**Ms. Wong Krause seconded and the item was approved unanimously.**

2. **This item will be discussed in Committee-of-the-Whole only.**

3. **Public Comments**

**Chair Bauman reviewed the rules that govern the Public Comments portion of the meeting, including the Code of Conduct for Citizens, News Media, and Visitors at DART Board Meetings (on file with the Office of Board Support).**

The following individuals addressed the Board:

**Mr. Richard Sheridan; Dallas, TX:**

Mr. Sheridan read into record, his written comments, No on Fare Increase and Work with City to Develop Downtown (Copy of comments on file with the Office of Board Support).

**Ms. Tonya Alexander; Dallas, TX:**

Ms. Alexander voiced opposition to the fare increase.

Chair Bauman referred Ms. Alexander to Mr. Nevin Grinnell, Vice President/Chief Marketing Officer.

**Mr. Norris Johnson; Dallas, TX:**

Mr. Johnson voiced his recommendations regarding agenda item 12, +Resolution in Support of Enhanced Security Throughout the DART Transit System.

**Ms. Stephanie Young; Dallas, TX:**

Ms. Young voiced opposition to the fare increase. She also voiced her concern regarding bus operator's attitudes and the lack of drivers in her area. Ms. Young also mentioned there was a duplicate routes for the public transit and school buses.

Chair Bauman referred Ms. Young to Mr. Tim Newby, Vice President of Bus Operations.

**Mr. Kenneth Day, Employee:**

Mr. Day spoke about bus operators' safety and the actions of DART transit police when they arrive after being called.

**Ms. Jearldine McDaniel; Dallas, TX:**

Ms. McDaniel introduced herself and stated she has worked with the Planning Department for many years. She then voiced concern about Route #522. She also noted a few schedules that were needing improvement. She recommended advertising DART bus locations, if they are located near well-known locations, such as Walmart Stores, banks, parks, etcetera.

Chair Bauman referred Ms. McDaniel to Mr. Todd Plesko, Vice President of Service Planning & Scheduling.

**Consent Items:**

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Mr. Jackson moved for approval of Agenda Items 4 and 5.

4. Amendment of President/Executive Director's FY 2018 Performance Measures 3.e. and 3.h

Moved for approval of Resolution 170122, as written.

5. Approval of March 2018 Service Modifications

Moved for approval of Resolution 170123, stating the President/Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to

Ms. Wong Krause seconded and the items were approved unanimously.

**Individual Items:**

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6. +Appointment of Directors to the Regional Rail Right-of-Way Company Board of Directors

Mr. Stopfer moved for approval of Resolution 170124, stating that the following individuals are appointed as Directors of the Regional Rail Right-of-Way Company Board of Directors for a two-year term, commencing on November 14, 2017 and ending November 13, 2019, with each director continuing to serve until his successor is appointed by the DART Board of Directors:

- DART Board Member Sue S. Bauman
- DART Board Member Paul N. Wageman
- DART President/Executive Director Gary C. Thomas

Mr. Slagel seconded and the item was approved unanimously.

7. +Approval of January 29, 2018 D-Link Service Modifications

Ms. Moreno moved for approval of Resolution 170125, as written.

Mr. Slagel seconded and the item was approved unanimously.

8. +Approval of Fiscal Year 2017 Performance Review and Compensation for Director, Board Support

This item was not discussed.

9. +Approval of Fiscal Year 2017 Performance Review and Compensation for General Counsel

This item was not discussed.

10. +Approval of Fiscal Year 2017 Performance Review and Compensation for Director, Internal Audit

This item was not discussed.

11. +Approval of Fiscal Year 2017 Goals Related Compensation for President/Executive Director

Mr. Stopfer moved for approval of Resolution 170126, stating that Gary C. Thomas, President/Executive Director, shall receive a one-time lump sum payment in the amount of 77% of the maximum amount specified in Paragraph F of Article IV of the

**Employment Agreement between DART and Gary C. Thomas authorized in Resolution No. 150028.**

**Mr. Slagel seconded and the item was approved unanimously.**

**12. +Resolution in Support of Enhanced Security Throughout the DART Transit System**

**Mr. Wageman moved for approval of Resolution 170127, stating:**

**Section 1: The DART Board of Directors states its commitment to enhanced security throughout the DART transit system.**

**Section 2: The Board directs the President/Executive Director to improve security for DART's customers by taking the following actions:**

- **Immediately assign eight (8) DART police officers to the West End Station and adjacent areas, and three (3) additional DART police officers to patrol other DART facilities within Dallas' central business district;**
- **Investigate deploying security guard patrols on all train platforms;**
- **Immediately deploy additional DART police and fare enforcement officers to patrol trains while in service, with 100% coverage by March 2018;**
- **Provide additional security cameras to monitor high-activity locations throughout DART's system by May 2018;**
- **Complete installation of security cameras on the first 48 light rail vehicles by March 31, 2018, on the next group of at least 50 vehicles by March 31, 2019, and on all remaining vehicles by March 27, 2020;**
- **Increase and improve coordination with city police departments within the service area, including establishment of regular coordination meetings with each of the departments to be attended by DART's Chief of Police or his designee;**
- **Implement a communication protocol to inform immediately the Board of Directors of any serious incident involving DART or its passengers and the action taken to address the incident;**
- **Evaluate bus routes and transit facilities to identify and implement service changes that would enhance security;**
- **Implement other technology enhancements to support efforts to strengthen security;**
- **Implement environmental design improvements to enhance security at DART facilities; and**
- **Implement a communications and messaging strategy to increase the public's awareness of DART's security initiatives.**

**Section 3:** The President/Executive Director is directed to widely communicate the DART Board's commitment to enhanced security to DART's customers and employees, to cities in the DART Service Area, to local news media, and to the public at large.

**Section 4:** DART's mission to operate a safe transportation system is the responsibility of all DART employees. The performance goals of the President/Executive Director, and his management team, will reflect this obligation.

**Mr. Stopfer seconded.**

Mr. Killen requested a reading of the section that was not originally on the resolution, at the time of posting. Mr. Wageman agreed and proceeded to read, into record, Section 2 of the resolution. Mr. Killen commented he would like to continue to see the Board work together to reach the 100%. He noted the Board needs to look at how they can turn these sections into policies.

**After some discussion, Chair Bauman reiterated the motion, the second and called for the vote. The item was approved unanimously.**

Mr. Wageman requested the Committee return to Agenda Item 6, +Appointment of Directors to the Regional Rail Right-of-Way Company Board of Directors, for clarification on the motion. Chair Bauman reiterated the motion made by Mr. Stopfer and seconded by Mr. Slagel.

**13. This item will be discussed at Committee-of-the-Whole only.**

**Other Items:**

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**14. Public Comments**

The following individuals addressed the Board:

**Mr. Albert Dirla; Employee:**

Mr. Dirla stated he was continuing with his comments from the prior Board of Director's meeting regarding the Big Bus Operators. He then voiced concern regarding bus operator assaults and transit police response. Mr. Dirla also spoke about the importance of safety shields on buses.

**Mr. DeBoss Christian; Employee:**

Mr. Christian voiced concern regarding bus operators' safety and provided insight of a bus passenger's point of view. He continued to voice concern regarding the blind spots encountered by bus operators, on buses.

**Mr. Michael Gonzales; Dallas, TX:**

Mr. Gonzales voiced opposition to fare increases.

**15. This item will be discussed in Committee-of-the-Whole only.**

16. **Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.



Josefina Chavira, CAP  
Board Committee Secretary

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+ Same Night Item

\* Briefing Item