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## **Coos County STF Advisory Committee Meeting**

**January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 1300**

**South Coast Business Employment Corporation**

**93781 Newport Lane, Coos Bay, Or 97420**

### **I. Call to Order/Introduction of members and guests/Additions to Agenda**

The meeting was called to order by Mellissa Dovenspike at 1303 pm, members and staff were introduced.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Melissa Dovenspike	Secretary/AAA SCBEC
Georgette Brassell	Seniors with Disabilities/Veterans/Transit User
LouAnn DeWater	Executive Director of Star of Hope
Andrew Burgmeier	Operations Supervisor of CCAT
Mike Merchant	DHS Regional Director
Robert Mawson	City Manager of Bandon

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Selina Irvin	Coquille Indian Tribe
Dick Leshley	Advisory Committee Chair
Doug Veysey	Advisory Committee Vice Chair
Mike Classen	Bandon Seniors

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Sergio Gamino	Transit Manager
Melissa Metz	CEO SCBEC/Financial Officer for CCAT
Amy LaBaron	COA SCBEC

#### **GOVERNING BODY**

Commissioner Melissa Cribbins	Coos County Commissioner
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#### **GUESTS**

Joe Colo	Harwood MacAdam Wartnik Fisher Gorman CPA
Crystal Hopper	SOVO Veterans Outreach
Jeremy Oliver	Yellow Cab Taxi



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## II. Consent Agenda

**MOTION:** Mike Marchant moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Andrew Burgmeier and passed unanimously.

**ADDITIONS:** Joe Colo with Harwood MacAdam Wartnik Fisher Gorman CPA firm gave the committee a report on the financial health of CCAT in an annual report. With the ongoing support of our partners at SCBEC CCATs books and records are in order.

## III. Managers' Update

### A. Operational Update

1. Sergio presented along with a handout outlining the projects being submitted to the state for the STIF discretionary grant. Those three projects were the Coos Bay to Florence Connector, the North Bend to Roseburg Connector and offsetting the cost for CCATs transition to a standalone district. The Coos Bay to Florence Connector is part of a larger connection that will continue to Eugene. This is the last remaining leg on the Oregon coast route. The North Bend to Roseburg connector will help to replace the VA Shuttle so that it can be opened up to the public but still free for veterans. CCAT will continue to coordinate with veterans to be able to ride. Also, being submitted will be an ask for \$100,000 for offsetting the cost of the transition.
2. The governor's budget removed funding from the unrestricted dollars that come from the STF grants CCAT applies for each year. This will take away 40% of these formula funds for a biennium. Sergio wrote a letter to legislators along with other members of transit in the state.
3. Sergio is continuing to apply for local and state grants. Our RTC from ODOT has let us know that CCAT's STIF application and moved through the hurdles and should be accepted. STIF Discretionary is due February 1<sup>st</sup>, 5311 February 8<sup>th</sup>, BAH Grant March 1<sup>st</sup>, and 5310 Formula due march 15<sup>th</sup>.
4. Corey Leckband was hired as a full time dispatcher. She is going forward with her training and will be a great asset for CCAT.

## IV. Administrative Update

1. The Organization is doing well and is moving forward with the transition to a standalone transit district. Sergio, Andrew and others attended city council meeting in all seven municipalities all of which approved the transition. We won't meet the time line originally set forth and will be shooting for November elections.
2. There has been public interest with a monthly bus pass for our loop services. CCAT would like to move forward with a potential price point of \$25 for a month pass which would be about \$2.5 a day. The hope is to have greater ridership and ease of use with the system.



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**MOTION:** Robert Mawson moved to approve that Sergio explore the benefits of a monthly bus pass for CCAT's Loop services, the motion was seconded by Mike Marchant and passed unanimously.

**V. Good of the Order/Adjournment – Next meeting**

**Next meeting Tuesday February 19th, 2019 at 1:00pm**

**The meeting was adjourned by Mellissa Dovenspike at 1410 and was seconded by Mike Marchant.**