CHAMPAIGN-URBANA MASS TRANSIT DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2011, AT 3:00 P.M.
ILLINOIS TERMINAL
45 EAST UNIVERSITY AVENUE, CHAMPAIGN

PRESIDING

Ronald Peters, Chair

RECORDING SECRETARY

Rena Lee Lenz

PRESENT BOARD MEMBERS

Al Anderson
Bradley Diel
Linda Bauer
Don Uchtmann
Willard Broom

ABSENT BOARD MEMBER

Yuki Llewellyn

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER PRESENT

Ed Slazinik, Director of Illini Union—University of Illinois

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ABSENT

Jim Maskeri—Student—University of Illinois

IN ATTENDANCE

William L. Volk, Managing Director
Thomas J. Costello, Assistant Managing Director
Karl Gnadt, Director of Marketing

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

(a) A motion was made by Uchtmann, seconded by Broom, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the agenda items, as presented.

AYE: All
NAY: None
Motion carried.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION REQUESTS

None

MINUTES

(a) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on September 28, 2011.

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Bauer, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on September 28, 2011, as presented.

AYE: All
NAY: None
Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(a) Discussion/Consideration of Issues Associated with the South West Champaign Mass Transit District.

Uchtmann updated the board on the meeting that was recently held with representatives of the SWCMTD. He explained the District's corporate boundaries and the area already served by the Navy route, the West Direct route, by ADA service, and the Champaign Unit 4 School District contract. Board and staff felt that the District already provided the appropriate amount of service for that area. He went on to briefly explain how all of this transpired with the SWCMTD filing a lawsuit to block our annexation to the Supreme Court refusing to get involved and ruling that both districts could tax and exist and thus we could continue to serve the newly annexed area.

Further, Uchtmann said that the questions were whether the CUMTD wished to contract with SWCMTD and whether they wished to have some kind of enhanced service; what days of the week were they wanting service; and what frequency of service did they wish to have. We cannot really provide a meaningful response until we know from them what is desired or needed. He further said that if we provide additional service, it has to be consistent with the CUUATS Long Range Transportation Plan.

Considerable discussion followed.

Some points that Volk made were that we would need to determine our cost per hour, as well as the annual cost of service currently being provided in that area. Can we contract or will we contract? We are short on equipment right now and another question is when do they want the service to start.

In addition, Volk said that the SWCMTD indicated that they are considering four options as follows:

1) contracting with CUMTD for service
2) contracting with another carrier for service
3) operate service themselves
4) dissolving

Anderson stated that he would like to go on record stating that he was in favor of #4—since they already have bus service in that area.

Some other discussion followed.

It was the consensus of the Board to have staff contact Ed Vaughan, chair of SWCMTD, and request that they submit a specific request/proposal to the District for service.

REPORTS

(a) Managing Director's.

Volk reported on the following in his written report:

1. Operating Notes.
   Additional Note—that Senator Durbin held a press conference at Illinois Terminal on the AMTRAK platform on October 24 regarding funding for AMTRAK.
2. Operating Statement.
3. Ridership Data.
4. District Operating Revenue & Expenses.
5. Illinois Terminal Operating Revenue & Expenses.
6. Statistical Summary.
7. Accounts Payable/Cash Disbursements.

Ed Slazinik, Director of the Illini Union, the new advisory board member was introduced. He was replacing Mike DeLorenzo.

(b) Board Committee Reports.

1. Budget & Audit.

a) Discussion/Consideration of an Amendment to the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for FY 2012.

Volk said that he recently met with Anderson and Bauer—the Budget & Audit Committee to explain the changes that he was proposing to the budget as follows:

1) increase operating expenses by $41,000 to add leases of large vans to Operations Expenses.
2) decrease the capital budget by $400,000. Lower Shelters, etc. from $550,000 to $450,000 (-$100,000). Lower - Architectural & Engineering from $500,000 to $200,000 (-$300,000).
3) decrease estimated receipts from Taxes to be Levied by a total of $359,000 from $6,875,000 to $6,516,000.

In continuing, Volk said that in regard to our old facility at 801 East University, we need to decide what we can do with that to accommodate additional vehicles. Currently, it is full of buses and we store the vans outside. We need a study to scope out our various options rather than doing a full-blown architectural and engineering project.

Further, Volk said that to arrive at the amount of money to be raised by the tax levy ordinance, he decreased the capital budget items to make everything balance. He also said that last year, we increased the levy by the same amount and the actual rate went up slightly. Considerable discussion followed.

As part of the discussion, Bauer stated that she understood trying to get all of the resources that we could get for the MTD and that she was an advocate for the MTD, but she also was an advocate for members of the public who asked her to please do not continue to raise taxes. She would be more comfortable if the $97,000 could be found from another area rather than taxes.

Peters stated that the wild card was funding from the State and that property taxes were more certain and predictable in this situation. He said that Bauer made some valid points. More discussion followed.

REPORTS

(a) Continued

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Broom, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the amendment to the Budget & Appropriation Ordinance for FY 2012, as follows:

1) increase operating expenses by $41,000 to add leases of large vans to Operations Expenses - see page 2 of the budget.
2) decrease the capital budget by $400,000. Lower - Architectural & Engineering from $500,000 to $200,000 (-$300,000) - see page 6 of the budget.
3) decrease estimated receipts from Taxes to be Levied by a total of $359,000 from $6,875,000 to $6,516,000 - see page 7 of the budget.

(Copy of budget attached to original and file minutes.)

AYE: Anderson, Broom, Diel, Peters, Uchtmann
NAY: Bauer
Motion carried.

(b) Discussion/Consideration of a Resolution Determining the Amount of Money Necessary to be Raised by the Tax Levy.

A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Diel, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the Resolution Determining the Amount of Money Necessary to be Raised by the Tax Levy.

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AYE: Anderson, Broom, Diel Peters, Uchtmann
NAY: Bauer
Motion carried.

2. Facilities.

Gnadt updated the Board on the various projects as follows:

1) control center/server room - installing equipment.
2) condition of carpeting in Control Center - in very poor condition - new carpet picked out; adds a change order in the amount of $11,000 - still well under $100,000 budget.
3) security cameras - install complete at Illinois - system operable.
4) security cameras - nearly complete in Maintenance area.
5) STOPwatch kiosk at Transit Plaza - up and running
6) STOPwatch at Illini Union and Engineering side - not started yet.
7) thirteen new buses - go on line October 31st and should arrive here by mid-December

REPORTS

3. Personnel.

Uchtmann stated that he would be including the Managing Director's Evaluation form in the next board packet for calendar year 2011. He would like to have the forms returned to him on December 7th before board members leave the building.

NEW BUSINESS

(a) Discussion/Consideration of the Transportation Agreement for the 2011-2012 School Year Between the District and Urbana School District #116.

Volk stated that a revised Agreement was at everyone's place with updated figures for the 2011-2012 school year.

A motion was made by Uchtmann, seconded by Diel, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the Transportation Agreement for the 2011-2012 School Year Between the District and the Urbana School District #116. (Copy of Agreement attached to original and file minutes.)

AYE: All
NAY: None
Motion carried.

NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATE

(a) The regular board meeting for November/December was set for Wednesday, December 7, 2011, at 3:00 p.m. at Illinois Terminal.

ADJOURNMENT

(a) A motion was made by Anderson, seconded by Uchtmann, the Board of Trustees voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

AYE: All
NAY: None
Motion carried.

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SECRETARY

APPROVED:

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CHAIR