

**Coos County Area Transportation District
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
Minutes August 20th, 2021**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - Meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm by Chairman Veysey

2. **ROLL CALL** –
Present: Chair Doug Veysey, Vice Chair Tara Johnson, Secretary LouAnn Dewater, Director Irvin, Director Taylor and Director Dovenspike

Guest: Thomas Quigley, Ron Cress

Absent: Director Long

3. **CHANGES TO AGENDA**
Addition - Discussion of Recent Closures

4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS** – none

5. **INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATE FOR GENERAL MANAGER**
The Board proceeded to interview Thomas Quigley

Chair Veysey called for Executive Session at 2:43PM to consider the employment of Thomas Quigley for General Manager. Minutes filed separately.

Executive Session Adjourned at 2:57PM.

The Board reported the following:
Director Dewater moved to table the hiring decision and reconvene on August 27, 2021 at 9am to make a decision. Motion was seconded by Director Kelly Irvin.
Passed unanimously.

6. **OTHER BUSINESS**
 - a. Discussion of Recent Closures
The Board discussed and expressed concern that the entire public bus system has been shut down due to a potential COVID exposure. It was recommended that the policy and procedure be revisited on August 27, 2021. Chairman Veysey will call General Manager Hope.

Director Taylor asked that information about calling Emergency Meetings also be supplied as an information item on August 27, 2021.

7. **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**
Ron Cress, Bus Operator for CCATD
Concern 1: North Bend Route needs to be reevaluated with a specific eye to having a stop at South Coast Business. Request: The Board seek input on the

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logistics of all the routes from the Operators who drive them before implementation.

Concern 2: Considering our rural nature of our system and characteristics of our rider population, the Bus Operators question if making an investment in an electronic fare system is a wise choice considering investment in a new radio system is a much-needed capital improvement for safety. Request: Invest in a communications system for staff.

Concern 3: SEP IRA was reduced from 12% to 6% under the premise that health benefits would be extended to the staff. Request: Revisit compensation package.

Concern 4: The Bus Operators need a General Manager who will listen to their needs. The Ecolane tablets make more work for the drivers.

Director Johnson requested salary information be brought back to the August 27th meeting.

Ron Cress invited the Board Members to do a ride along.

8. **NEXT MEETING – August 27, 2021 9AM.**
9. **ADJOURNMENT – 3:34PM by Chairman Veysey**