

**River Valley Metro Mass Transit District**  
**February 23, 2010**  
**Minutes**

Chairman Hinderliter called the regularly scheduled River Valley Metro Board of Directors meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

**Attending Board Members:** Chairman David Hinderliter, Treasurer Mark Regel, Secretary Jerry Pearce, and Board Members Norman Grimsley, Carole Franke and Kelly St. Aubin, absent: Vice Chairman Jaclyn Dugan-Roof.

**Staff Members Present:** Managing Director; Robert Hoffmann, and Director of Finance and Grants; Lois Bentley acting as recording secretary during this meeting.

**Others Present:** Mike Lammey (Kankakee County Planning Department), Ginger Doll (First Transit)

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Ginger Doll led the Metro Board and others in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public with Business to Come Before the Board:** None

**Consent Agenda:** Norm Grimsley made a motion to accept the consent agenda as presented. Carole Franke seconded the motion. A voice roll call was taken with all in favor. Motion carried. Consent agenda approved.

**Communications:**

**Managing Director's Report:**

January ridership was 59,458 a 24.87% increase over last January. Annual ridership is 442,437, a 21.82% increase over the same time last year. Circuit Breaker Free and Senior Free have become a larger problem for agencies in the state. Currently between both programs we are at 71,000 riders.

Rob met with Nick Allen this week on Metros capital request for vehicles for University Park service, two transfer stations (Kankakee and Bradley) and \$900,000 to improve accessibility at 200 bus stops.

**New Business:**

NONE

## **Old Business:**

### **UPDATE ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS:**

- Fuel Island – still struggling along, we met with them yesterday on canopy. That has been the holdup since September. If canopy not built we will see if we can have the canopy cancelled and put in an attendant hut.
- Fencing – There is a problem with the gate operator working properly. The problem is that they have broken away from the concrete and are moving and jam the gates open. They are in the process of working on this now.
- Vehicles – Transit Resource Center was here most of last week here gathering information on the IC vehicles. We have found with the help from the FTA 9 35' 2006 Optima vehicles from Indianapolis. They are over in their spare ratio because of service cuts. The Indy board will meet tomorrow to approve the transfer and we could have vehicles in approximately 2 weeks.
- Generator - complete

**Questions from the news media:** None

**Other Business to come Before the Board:** Motion made to move into executive session to discuss personnel issues. Motion made by Jerry Pearce and seconded by Norm Grimsley. A voice roll call was taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

Adjourned to Executive Session at 3:23 pm

Returned to regular session at 3:34 pm

Mark Regel made a motion to approve the recommendation from Transit Resource Center to hire a PM Tech for the maintenance shop. Motion seconded by Norm Grimsley. A voice roll call was taken with all in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Jerry Pearce, seconded by Kelly St. Aubin, and a unanimous yes vote of members, meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.