

**REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE (BRC) FOR TRANSIT**

**July 17, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

**BRC Members Present**

Alicia Barber, BRC Facilitator  
Britta Kuhn Appel, Office of Governor Brian Sandoval  
Lisa Bonie, Northern Nevada Center for Independent Living  
LaVonne Brooks, High Sierra Industries  
Bernie Carter, Dacole  
Andrew Clinger, City of Reno  
Kevin Dick, Washoe County Health District  
Steve Driscoll, City of Sparks  
Steve Falcone, Reno Gazette-Journal  
Nancy Fennell, Dickson Realty  
Phylis Freyer, Renown Health  
Michelle Gardner, Nevada Department of Transportation  
Carl Hasty, Tahoe Transportation District  
Mike Kazmierski, EDAWN  
David Lippincott, Community Advocate  
George McKinlay, Nevada Assistive Technology Resource Center  
Connie McMullen, Senior Spectrum  
Concha Taylen, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce  
Cloyd Phillips, Community Services and Development Corporation  
Graham Dollarhide, Carson City MPO  
Tim Ruffin, Colliers International  
John Russell, Laborer's Union  
Grant Sims, CB Richard Ellis  
Gerald Smith, The Nell J. Redfield Foundation  
Dave Roberts, Truckee Meadows Community College  
Jean Stoess, Community Advocate  
Grady Tarbutton, Washoe County Senior Services  
Jasmine Vittori, Community Advocate

**RTC Staff**

Lee Gibson, David Jickling, Jeff Hale, Amy Cummings, Stephanie Haddock, Michael Moreno,  
Jacqueline Maldonado

**Guests**

Patricia Torvinen, Buzz Harris, Jon Ericson

The meeting was called to order at the UNR Knowledge Reading Room by RTC Executive Director, Lee G. Gibson at 11:05 a.m.

**ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as submitted.

**ITEM 2. PUBLIC INPUT**

There was no public input.

**ITEM 3. DISCUSSION ON RTC FINANCIAL CONDITION**

Lee Gibson gave a presentation on the RTC financial condition and he introduced RTC Financial Administrator, Stephanie Haddock for questions on the presentation and a video from Transit Connections 2013 was viewed. A discussion on the financial condition of RTC followed. The presentation is available at the RTC Planning Department or at [www.rtcwashoe.com](http://www.rtcwashoe.com).

**ITEM 4. DISCUSSION ON PUBLIC TRANSIT OPERATIONS**

Lee Gibson gave a presentation about public transit operations. A discussion on the public transit operations followed. The presentation is available at the RTC Planning Department.

**ITEM 5. DISCUSSION ON THE PERFORMANCE OF PUBLIC TRANSIT**

Lee Gibson gave an overview presentation on the performance of public transit. A discussion on the performance of public transit followed. The presentation is available at the RTC Planning Department.

Stephanie Haddock stated that the *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report* is available at [www.rtcwashoe.com](http://www.rtcwashoe.com) for the management discussion analysis, notes to financial statements, and capital assets and should be reviewed by the committee for future meetings.

Lee Gibson would like to host the August BRC meeting with a short meeting at UNR and then go to the RTC Villanova facility with the committee and walk-through the maintenance facility challenges and would like to show the committee electric buses and the economics technology of the electric buses. Discussion followed.

**ITEM 6. PUBLIC INPUT**

There was no public input.

**ITEM 7. MEMBER ITEMS**

Phylis Freyer shared that a public health professional from UC Berkeley has developed a four-hour series CD on the adverse health impacts on communities where you can't work, live, play and where you have to rely on driving.

Cloyd Phillips discussed that his agency, Community Services and Development Corporation, has eliminated vans and is instead buying bus passes to allow his customer base to ride public transportation. This has lowered his costs substantially.

RTC Public Affairs Administrator, Michael Moreno announced:

- The Blue Ribbon Committee (BRC) for Transit agendas, presentations and resource materials will be on the RTC website. Look for the Blue Ribbon Committee icon to access materials.
- A media push will be done in the future days for BRC about the goals for the committee.
- A roster of the committee members will also be on the RTC BRC website.
- The next BRC meeting will be August 21<sup>st</sup>.
- The Bike Rack App has recently been launched for identifying bike racks throughout the regions for inventory or needs of bike racks.
- Follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

**ITEM 8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:06 p.m.