Social Services Transportation Advisory Council SSTAC

January 18, 2018 Meeting Minutes

1. Call to order and introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by Chairman Bill Tracy.

Also in attendance were:

Doreen Schmidt with Area 12; Betty Kibble with Caltrans District 10; Cathie Peacock with Interfaith; Tamara Dockstader with ATCAA; Michael Pierce with DRAIL; Tyler Summersett, Sr. Transportation Planner, Alex Padilla, Transportation Planner and Denise Bergamaschi, Administrative Technician.

2. Approval of the October 20, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Doreen Schmidt moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Tamara Dockstader seconded the motion. Motion approved with a 6-0 vote.

3. Nomination/Acceptance of new/same Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for SSTAC with terms to expire on 1/22/20 and 1/22/2021

Michael Pierce nominated Cathie Peacock as the new Chairperson. Cathie Peacock nominated Michael Pierce as the new Vice Chairperson.

Doreen Schmidt moved to approve both nominations. Tamara Dockstader seconded the motion to approve both nominations. Both nominations were approved with a 5-1-0 vote.

4. Re-appointment of Daniel Valdes as a Social Service Provider for the Disabled with a term to expire in January 2021.

Doreen Schmidt moved to approve Daniel Valdes be re-appointed as a Social Service Provider for the Disabled with a term to expire in January 2021.

Michael Valdes seconded the motion.

Motion approved with a 5-1-0 vote.

5. Discuss vacancy of the position of a Social Service Provider for Persons of Limited Means and open the position up for applications.

Cathie Peacock informed Council Members that she is attending a Consortium meeting and that she will mention the available position and get back with me. She also suggested that we should attempt recruiting someone from Groveland.

Michael Pierce also stated that he will mention the position to a friend that works at Columbia College.

There was No Action required for this item as it was intended for informational purposes.

- 6. Discussion of items currently being worked on (Ongoing agenda item).
 - Review of Unmet Transit Needs Findings Report and sing letter addressed to the TCTC
 - Agency feedback on the new schedules/Transit Facility

Cathie Peacock inquired about the public's response to the transit service.

Transportation Planner, Alex Padilla, discussed the Findings Report.

Cathie Peacock suggested defining "Unmet Transit Need" on the back of the form for next year.

Alex Padilla informed Council Members that there were no Unmet Transit Needs found this year. At this time, Bill Tracy signed the letter to the TCTC from the SSTAC confirming that they had no Unmet Transit Needs to report.

Agency Feedback on the new Schedules/Transit Facility:

Sr. Transportation Planner, Tyler Summersett informed Council Members that he is looking for input from clients and the public regarding the new schedules. He added that the number one complaint right now is that it is too far from everything.

Cathie Peacock asked if any thought had been given to running a shuttle from the facility to Wal Mart?

Mr. Summersett added that a 1-2 minute adjustment is going to be made to the schedule.

Doreen Schmidt stated that she likes the pocket sized schedules.

Cathie Peacock added that she receives positive feedback about the drivers all the time and that they are very accommodating.

7. Agency Reports

Betty Kibble reported that with the passing of SB1, there are funds for Sustainable Communities Grants and that the deadline is February 23, 2018.

Cathie Peacock inquired about medical transportation to Modesto? Tyler Summersett responded that the Silver Streak service out of Calaveras County would definitely consider certain individuals from Tuolumne County.

Doreen Schmidt added that Calaveras was the recipient of a \$500,000 Grant and is supposed to work with neighboring counties

Discussion ensued.

Betty Kibble stated that she sent an e-mail to the person in charge of the program and is awaiting a response.

Doreen Schmidt added that there are 5310 funds available for operational/mobility purposes – someone just needs to apply. She also added that SSPI is a natural fit because they are already doing transportation.

Betty Kibble added that when she sees the Grants coming up – she will e-mail everyone on the list.

Michael Pierce had no reports. He added that people are adjusting to the new schedules.

Doreen Schmidt reported that all programs are out to bid this year.

Cathie Peacock had no reports.

Tamara Dockstader reported that she was anticipating funding cutbacks but that her funds will be more than double this year!! She added that Tuolumne County receives \$824.00 per homeless person while other counties receive up to \$35,000 per person.

Bill Tracy added that he sees more homeless every day. He also reported that Watch is going through major changes right now.

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:07a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Denise Bergamaschi, Administrative Technician