

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

December 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.
Yolo Transportation District Board Room
350 Industrial Way, Woodland, CA

1. Roll Call - Determination of Quorum

Vice-Chair Loren called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Directors Present:

Dawnte Early, Chair, City of West Sacramento-Appeared remotely pursuant to Gov.Code 54953(f)(2)
Jesse Loren, Vice-Chair, City of Winters
Mayra Vega, City of Woodland
Josh Chapman, City of Davis
Kelly Fong Rivas, UC Davis, ex-officio
Sukhi Johal, Caltrans, ex-officio-Via Zoom

Staff Present:

Autumn Bernstein, Executive Director
Lola Torney, Senior Transportation Planner
Kimberly Hood, Legal Counsel

2. Closed Session

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion: Director Frerichs made a motion to approve the Agenda. Motion was seconded by Director Chapman. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 Yes/0 No.

4. Report Back from Closed Session

Kimberly Hood, Legal Counsel reported no reportable actions taken

At this time Director Vega left the meeting and Alternate David Moreno joined for the regular meeting

5. General Public Comments

Vice-Chair Loren called for general public comment

Michael Barnbaum provided general public comment

Alan Hirsch provided general public comment

Alex Benevides provided general public comment

Seeing no further comments, Vice-Chair Loren closed public comments.

6. Consent Calendar

6a. Approve Board Minutes for the Meeting of November 17, 2025

6b. Approve 2026 Meeting Schedule

6c. Approve Sublicensing Agreement with Sacramento Regional Transit for Transit Connect/Masabi Fare Payment App

6d. Approve Increase to Hourly Wages for Student Interns to Comply with California Labor Code

6e Adopt Resolution 2025-11 to Approve Updated Title VI Program

6f. Approve Schedule of Holiday Closures for 2026

Motion: Director Frerichs made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion was seconded by Director Chapman. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 yes/0 No.

Regular Calendar

7. Approve Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) Network Map and Four Financial Scenarios

Senior Transportation Planner Torney presented recommendations and financial scenarios for the Short-Range Transit Plan. She was joined by Consultant Ron Kilcoyne of Transportation Management & Design (TMD).

Senior Transportation Planner Torney reviewed Board input received to date and presented two reduction scenarios and one aspirational scenario. Consultant Kilcoyne then presented potential service concepts associated with each scenario.

Senior Transportation Planner Torney and Consultant Kilcoyne responded to questions from the Board regarding the proposed scenarios, including potential route changes and possible service reductions.

Vice-Chair Loren called for public comment

Michael Barnbaum provided comments on the presentation

Alan Hirsch provided comments on the presentation

Alex Benevides provided comments on the presentation

Seeing no comments, Vice-Chair Loren closed public comments

Motion: Chair Early made a motion to postpone action on Item 7 and refer the item to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) for review. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Loren. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 yes/0 No.

8. Briefing on MOU Governing Allocation of Federal Transit Funds in the Sacramento Urbanized Area

Executive Director Bernstein provided background on the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the allocation of federal transit funds within the Sacramento Urbanized Area. She reviewed how Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding is allocated, the benefits of having an MOU in place, and the different potential options available.

Attorney Kirk Trost joined the presentation and provided additional information regarding the role of the designated recipient and the use of discretionary funds.

Executive Director Bernstein responded to questions from the Board regarding the presentation.

Vice-Chair Loren called for public comment

Michael Barnbaum provided comments on the presentation

Alan Hirsch provided comments on the presentation

Seeing no comments, Vice-Chair Loren closed public comments

9. Appoint Chair and Vice-Chair for 2026

Executive Director Bernstein provided the staff recommendation to appoint Vice Chair Loren as Chair and Director Frerichs as Vice Chair for 2026, based on the rotation schedule established in prior years.

Vice-Chair Loren called for public comment

Michael Barnbaum provided comments on the Item

Seeing no comments, Vice-Chair Loren closed public comments

Motion: Chair Early made a motion to approve the appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2026. Motion was seconded by Director Chapman. The motion was approved by a vote of 5 Yes/0 No

10. Administrative Reports

A. Board Members' Verbal Reports

B. Executive Director's Verbal Report

Executive Director Bernstein reported that the District, in partnership with the Yolo County Housing Authority, was awarded an Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities grant for electric buses, charging infrastructure, and bus shelters. She noted that the transit operations RFP has been released with a site visit scheduled for January. She also reported that final interviews are underway for the IT Technical Support position, applications are under review for the Associate/Assistant Planner position, and required audits are currently in process.

C. Transdev Report

General Manager Julie Holmes reported that Transdev has new management in place and is focusing on improving on-time performance.

D. Long Range Calendar

Executive Director Bernstein outlined the Long-Range Calendar

Vice-Chair Loren called for public comment.

Alan Hirsch provided general public comment

Michael Barnbaum provided general public comment

Seeing no further comments, Vice-Chair Loren closed public comments.

11. Adjournment

Vice-Chair Loren adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Marte

Janeene Marte, Clerk of the Board