

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
Yolo Transportation District Board Room
350 Industrial Way, Woodland, CA

1. Roll Call - Determination of Quorum

Chair Loren called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Directors Present:

Jesse Loren, Chair, City of Winters
Lucas Frerichs, Vice-Chair, County of Yolo
Dawnte Early, City of West Sacramento
Mayra Vega, City of Woodland
Josh Chapman, City of Davis
Kelly Fong Rivas, UC Davis, ex-officio
Manpreet Ark, Caltrans, ex-officio

Staff Present:

Autumn Bernstein, Executive Director
Chas Fadrigio, Director of Finance
Brian Abbanat, Director of Planning
Daisy Romero, Director of Operations
Kimberly Hood, Legal Counsel

2. Closed Session

3. Approval of Agenda

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

4. Report Back from Closed Session

No reportable actions taken

5. General Public Comments

Chair Loren called for general public comment

Alan Hirsch provided general public comment

Michael Barnbaum provided general public comment

Seeing no further comments, Chair Loren closed public comments.

6. Consent Calendar

- 6a. Approve Board Minutes for the Meeting of February 9, 2026
- 6b. Adopt Amended Resolution 2026-03 to Accept Funding from Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Grant
- 6c. Ratification of Emergency Purchase of Property Insurance Coverage and Brokerage Services
- 6d. Approve Resolution 2026-04 Authorizing Programming of State of Good Repair Funding for Purchase of Used CNG Vehicles and Maintenance of the YoloBus Fleet and Facility.

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

Regular Calendar

7. Transit Operating and Capital Budget Cost Allocation Workshop

Director of Finance Fadrigio presented Workshop #3 on Yolo County Transportation District's operating and capital budget structure and allocations. The presentation included background on the Board-approved budget workshop series and a recap of prior workshops.

Director of Finance Fadrigio provided an overview of the District's budget structure, development process, capital and planning components, use and allocation of funding sources, status of unrestricted funds and capital reserves, post-COVID financial data, and potential future impacts on the operating budget. Director of Finance Fadrigio responded to questions from the Board.

Chair Loren called for Public Comment

Alan Hirsch provided comments on the presentation

Michael Barnbaum provided comments on the presentation

Seeing no further comments, Chair Loren closed public comments

8. Informational Update on RFP for Transportation Services to Operate and Maintain a Public Transportation System

Executive Director Bernstein provided an update on the Request for Proposals (RFP) process to procure a new transit operations contract. She outlined the procurement timeline and key milestones, including proposal submittals, evaluation, interviews, and anticipated Board action.

Executive Director Bernstein also reviewed the evaluation panel and noted strong participation in the RFP process. She discussed potential cost impacts, flexibility in service levels under the new contract, and the relationship to the Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) scenarios.

Chair Loren called for Public Comment

Michael Barnbaum provided comments on the presentation

Seeing no further comments, Chair Loren closed public comments

9. Administrative Reports

A. Board Members' Verbal Reports

Director Early and Director Chapman reported that CARTA is in the process of conducting an Executive Director search, with the position expected to be filled by August.

B. Executive Director's Verbal Report

Executive Director Bernstein welcomed new IT Technical Support staff, John-Michael Bennett. She reported that the SACOG Transportation Committee approved funding for the Woodland Transfer Point project, which will next go to the SACOG Board of Directors. She also reported that staff are gathering input on service reduction scenarios for the Short-Range Transit Plan (S RTP)

C. Transdev Report

General Manager Holmes reported that Transdev currently has 77 operators, with a class of 8 in training. She also noted that Employee Appreciation Day will be celebrated next week.

D. Long Range Calendar

Executive Director Bernstein outlined the Long-Range Calendar

Chair Loren called for public comment.

Michael Barnbaum provided general public comment

Seeing no further comments, Chair Loren closed public comments.

10. Adjournment

Chair Loren adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Marte
Janeene Marte, Clerk of the Board