



BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING

Thursday March 13th, 2025, at 6 p.m.

Ben Franklin Transit Boardroom

1000 Columbia Park Trail, Richland, Washington

Meeting attendance options included in-person and virtual via Zoom

MINUTES

1. CONVENE BOARD MEETING

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

Clerk of the Board Shea Walter asked the Board of Directors to state their name after their jurisdiction was called.

2. ROLL CALL

Representing	Attendee Name	Title	Status
City of Pasco	Charles Grimm	Director	Present
City of Kennewick	Brad Beauchamp	Director	Present
City of Richland	Kurt Maier	Director	Present
City of West Richland	Richard Bloom	Director	Present
Franklin County #2	Stephen Bauman	Vice Chair	Present
Franklin County #1	Clint Didier	Director	Absent
Benton County	Will McKay	Chair	Present
City of Prosser	Steve Becken	Director	Present
City of Benton City	David Sandretto	Director	Present
Teamsters Union 839	Traci Bronson	Union Representative	Present

BFT Staff: Thomas Drozt, Shea Walter, Joshua Rosas, Kevin Sliger, Michael Brown, Julie Thompson, Brian Lubanski, Janet Brett, Marcus McCready, Rob Orvis, Kathryn Wall, Gabe Martin, Jacob Johnson, Shawna Munyan

Legal Counsel: Jeremy J. Bishop

Interpreters: Ruth Medina, Ynez Vargas

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair McKay led the meeting participants in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair McKay then opened the meeting to comments from the public.

No Public Comments were made.

No Written Public Comments were received.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair McKay asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

Director Bloom moved to approve the agenda, this motion was seconded by Director Maier and passed unanimously

6. RECOGNITIONS

Resolution 05-2025 Retirement of Mary Gatrel

Director Maier moved to approve the agenda, this motion was seconded by Director Grimm and passed unanimously

7. CITIZENS ADVISORY NETWORK (CAN)

Mr. Dennis Kreutz presented and highlighted items in the minutes from their February 17th, 2025, Citizens Advisory Network meeting.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Chair McKay presented the Consent Agenda items and invited a motion.

A. February 13th, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

B. February Voucher Summary

Vice Chair Bauman moved to approve the Consent Agenda. This Motion was seconded by Director Bloom and passed unanimously

9. ACTION ITEMS

No Action Item

10. STAFF REPORTS & COMMENTS

A. Legal Report

BFT Legal Counsel Jeremy Bishop had no updates

B. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Chief Executive Officer Thomas Drozt Briefed Directors on Public Facing KPI's in the following departments, Fixed Route, Dial-A-Ride, Rideshare. Safety and Maintenance.

Thoms Drozt talked About Attending the Recent Legislative Conference and Mentioned a few Items Discussed like the Recently Passed Budget Cuts made by the State.

Thomas Touched on Fare Structure, working with 4Nines to Dial in this Change. He also Introduced BFT's New CFO Alex Smith and Closed with Recognition of Miguel Mora, Facilities Team Member and how he Helped a Passenger with Ensuring his Medical Needs were Taken Care of on His Day Off.

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board comments were made

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

No Executive Session was held

14. OTHER

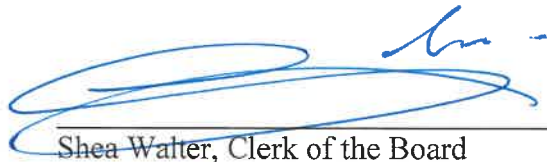
There were no other agenda items

15. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held Thursday, April 10th, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Chair McKay adjourned the meeting at 6:42 PM



Shea Walter, Clerk of the Board

4/10/2025

Date