

**GCTD STIF ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 13, 2018
BUS STATION**

REGULAR MEETING OPENED AT 11:00 AM.

PRESENT:

Nick Green, City of John Day – Local Government
Sandi Johnson, Community At-Large – outside of John Day
Connie Wood, Senior/Community At-Large
Bob Stewart, Senior/Veteran/Disabled Individuals
Peggy Neal, DHS/Low Income
Veanne Weddle, Senior Programs/Low Income
Deronda Lallatin, GCTD Board Member/Employers/Disabled Individuals
Angie Jones, GCTD Staff

Documents provided to Committee members in advance of the meeting for review:

STIF By-Laws,
STIF Priority Survey - List and explanation of priorities,
STIF Plan Template
GCTD Adopted Budget,
GCTD Grant List,
Proposed Deviated Route Maps with estimated miles and runtime,
Low Income Indicators for Oregon Counties,
STIF Solicitation Schedule,
Background on STIF,
Purpose of HB2017,
Definitions,
GCTD Coordinated Transportation Plan,
ODOT STIF Rules Adopted by the OTC

INTRODUCTIONS:

Everyone at the table introduced themselves.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

NEW BUSINESS DISCUSSED:

Sandi Johnson was nominated by Veanne Weddle for Committee Chairperson, Second by Nick Green.
Vote Unanimous in favor.

Deronda Lallatin was nominated for Vice Chairperson, Second by Peggy Neal. Vote unanimous in favor.

STIF By-Laws adopted by GCTD Board of Directors reviewed. Motion for vote to support By-Laws made by Connie Wood, second by Veanne Weddle. Vote unanimous in favor.

Discussion of District Priority List. Priority list was developed by GCTD staff through priorities from the Coordinated Human Services Plan, public requests for specific services and review of current service gaps.

Reviewed results of STIF public Survey.

Survey was conducted through Survey Monkey, paper survey, public meetings and in person questions with verbal responses.

Priority List:

1. Deviate Fixed Route for John Day, Canyon City, Mt Vernon and Prairie City – Fare free. Operating Monday through Friday. (2nd on Priority Survey),
2. Additional Staff – Admin and Drivers. (3rd on Priority Survey),
3. Expanded Operating Hours Monday through Friday. Current hours are Mon-Fri 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. (1st on Priority Survey),
4. Bus Shelter Expansion (9th on Priority Survey),
5. Expanding Bus Fleet (5th on Priority Survey),
6. Expanded Saturday Operating Hours. Current hours on Saturday 9:00 am – 4:00 pm. (4th on Priority Survey)
7. Weekly Intercity Route to Ontario. (7th on Priority Survey),
8. Weekly Shopper Shuttle to/from Dayville. (6th on Priority Survey),
9. Seasonal Recreational Shuttle to recreation areas like Magone Lake, John Day Fossil Beds, Painted Hills Unit and winter activities. (8th on Priority Survey)

Committee discussed Deviate Fixed Route, Additional Staff and Expanded Operating Hours are connected. Increased service requires additional staff and time. Closely related is Expanding Bus Fleet to meet the increased demand, and Bus Shelter Expansion to properly store and care for additional fleet as well as allow additional passenger parking for Intercity travelers.

Reviewed 1% grades 9-12 requirement. Students are currently offered/transported to and from school, school job related activities, sports, Friday School, summer educational events and job shadow. The Deviated Fixed Route will include set bus stops at Grant Union High School and Prairie City High School. This will also allow students from John Day to attend school in Prairie City (crossing District boundaries), while being able to travel on public transit for free.

Reviewed STIF Plan Template. Complete Priority List adopted to be presented to GCTD Board of Directors, Connie W. made initial motion, second by Veanne W. Vote unanimous in favor.

Committee discussed STIF Discretionary Grant applications. Veanne W. made a motion to apply for all Discretionary Grants as projects meet objectives of the State Transportation Network. Second by Sandi J. Vote Unanimous in favor.

Meeting Adjourned 12:50 pm.

Next meeting schedule for May 9, 2018.

