



Modoc Transportation Agency
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MINUTES
Regular Meeting
December 6, 2007

Board Members Present

Dan Macsay, Chairman	County Supervisor, District I
Bill Hall, Vice Chairman	Citizen at Large, City of Alturas
Ken Barnes	Police Chief, City of Alturas
John Dederick	Councilmember, City of Alturas
Mike Dunn	County Supervisor, District II
Terry Williams	Citizen at Large, County of Modoc

Board Members Absent

David Bradshaw	County Supervisor, District III (Alternate)
Sid Cullins	Police Lieutenant, City of Alturas (Alternate)

Staff Present

Pam Couch	Executive Director
Nicole Witherspoon	Systems Manager
Cindy Imbach	Mobility Manger

Public Present

Michelle Millette	Caltrans DO2 – Chief, Regional Planning
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- 1. Call to Order** – Chairman Macsay called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. in the City of Alturas Council Chambers, 200 W. North Street, Alturas.
- 2. Public Forum** – There were no members of the public present.
- 3. Confirm Agenda** – Motion by Board Member Dunn to accept agenda as presented; second by Board Member Williams. All ayes; motion carried.
- 4. New Business** – Director Couch presented draft minutes for consideration. Motion by Board Member Dunn to approve 10/1/07 MTA minutes as presented; second by Board Member Williams. All ayes with Board Members Dederick and Williams abstaining.
- 5. Staff Update** – Manager Imbach presented operations report for information.
 - a. Sage Stage Operations Report** – Performance statistics are accurate although unaudited.

Month	Passengers			Miles			Fares		
	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change	2007	2006	Change
<i>Sept</i>	790	963	18.0%↓	9,307	13,134	29.1%↓	\$3,883	\$5,182	25.1%↓
<i>Oct</i>	941	1,093	13.9%↓	12,331	11,522	7.0↑	\$4,722	\$5,469	13.7%↓
<i>Nov</i>	965	1,091	11.5%↓	13,333	11,260	18.4%↑	\$4,704	\$5,464	13.9%↓

b. Revenue Service Miles and Fuel Costs

Month	Miles			Fuel Cost			Fuel Cost per Mile		
	2007	2006	2005	2007	2006	2005	2007	2006	2005
<i>Sept</i>	9,307	13,134	11,757	\$3,087	\$3,998	\$3,763	33¢	30¢	32¢
<i>Oct</i>	12,331	11,522	13,369	\$3,001	\$3,757	\$3,757	32¢	26¢	28¢
<i>Nov</i>	13,333	11,260	12,196	\$3,036	\$3,055	\$3,055	33¢	27¢	25¢

c. US 395 intercity route ridership by county of Origin or Destination (O/D) – Route operates between Alturas, Susanville and Reno, three (3) times per week on Mon., Wed. and Fridays.

Month	Modoc O/D		Lassen O/D		Total Ridership	
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006
<i>Sept</i>	45	49	44	71	89	120
<i>Oct</i>	46	57	60	79	106	136
<i>Nov</i>	46	55	48	64	94	119

e. New (Contract) Employees and Training – Regrettably, Imbach reported that two out of four driver trainees (recently hired) had been terminated for cause. On a positive note, she announced that Susan Anselmi completed all testing and certifications; her position is Driver / Mobility Assistant, sharing customer service duties at the front desk. Roberto Bejarano is cadetting; when he receives one last certification, he will assume part-time driver duties.

Imbach reported that MTA staff will begin vehicle procurement process shortly; the process can take up to two years until buses are received. She said that all (3) intercity vehicles have odometer readings <150,000 miles; as such breakdowns occur more frequently and repair costs are increasing. Imbach added that MTA staff is working with Caltrans HQ-DMT staff to obtain four-wheel drive vehicles possibly mounted on F-chasses with higher clearance for installing chains often required during winter driving. Caltrans Millette suggested that MTA staff confer with Dan Douglas, Lassen Transit Service Agency, who purchased vehicles through the State contract and experienced difficulties getting vehicles with options ordered.

Last, Director Couch reported that regularly scheduled MTA meetings will be held following MCTC meetings for **even-numbered months**, unless otherwise required and noticed in the newspaper. (See archives for complete calendar of forthcoming events and various program deadlines.)

6. **Adjournment** – With no further business, Chairman Macsary adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Witherspoon
Systems Manager