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Frank DePaola, General Manager
Brian Shortsleeve, Chief Administrator



Fiscal and Management Control Board

October 21, 2015
MassDOT
10 Park Plaza, Suite 3830
Boston, MA

MEETING MINUTES

Members: Chairman Joseph Aiello, Director Lisa Calise, Director Brian Lang, Director Steven Poftak, and Director Monica Tibbits-Nutt

Present: Director Lisa Calise, Director Steven Poftak, and Director Monica Tibbits-Nutt

Quorum Present: Yes

Other Participants: Secretary Pollack, Frank DePaola, Brian Shortsleeve, John Englander

PROCEEDINGS:

Call to Order by Vice Chairman Poftak

The Chair called the meeting to order of business at 3:50pm.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

The vote on the minutes of the October 16, 2015 meeting was deferred.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION

Next Chief Administrator Brian Shortsleeve gave his report. The first part of Mr. Shortsleeve's presentation was a discussion of *Methodology and Assumptions – Economics by Mode*. The goal of the analysis was to show the economics – costs, revenue, and number of rides – of each mode of transit. The operating deficit per

passenger trip varied across transit modes, and showed subway and bus accounted for 90% of the MBTA rides. Mr. Shortsleeve also presented the Operations Budget Stability Committee Report to the FMCB with an overview on August 2015 YTD performance against the budget the same period last year. He noted materials and services increased 28% in YTD FY'16 compared to YTD FY'15, and discussed the operating overtime expense that is projected to be \$47 million based on the current trend.

Next Jerry Polcari, Chief Procurement Officer updated the Board on Positive Train Control (PTC). His presentation summarized the PTC regulation and functional requirement. He discussed the legislative issues and a bill that was introduced in the U.S. Senate, the Railroad Safety and Positive Train Control Extension Act which proposed to extend the PTC deadline from December 31, 2015, to December 31, 2020. The bill authorized the Secretary of Transportation to extend the implementation deadline, upon application, in one-year increments, if specified circumstances exist. Mr. Polcari planned to brief each board member with the financing plan before the next FMCB meeting, at which time he plans to secure financing and a contractor.

Next, General Manager DePaola gave his report. He announced that he selected Acting MBTA Transit Police Chief Kenneth Green to serve in the position permanently. Mr. DePaola also announced that on-line voting was open to allow the public to select the exterior designs for the new Green, Orange and Red Line cars. Three sets of exterior designs for each rapid transit line were available for

viewing and voting on the MBTA website, and at the time of the board meeting the MBTA had already received 14,000 responses.

Vice Chairman Poftak deferred the presentation of the State of Good Repair by the Capital Work team to the next FMCB meeting on November 2, 2015. He also explained, for the sake of transparency that at the Emergency FMCB Meeting held on October 19, 2015, the sole piece of business done at the meeting was to vote on the Commuter Rail's Kawasaki Coach Overhaul.

After motion duly made and seconded,

By roll call:

Director Poftak	yes
Director Calise	yes
Director Lang	yes
Director Tibbits-Nutt	yes

VOTED: To adjourn at 4:12pm.

DOCUMENTS RELIED ON IN THE MEETING

Operations Budget Stability Committee Report to FMCB – 10/21/15

Slides re: Methodology and Assumptions – Economics by Mode

Commuter Rail Positive Train Control FMCB Briefing