

## **GM Remarks**

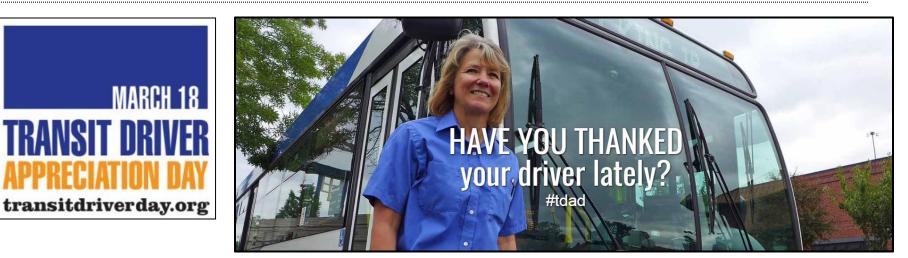
### **FMCB**

3/20/2017

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#### Transit Driver Appreciation Day: Celebrated across the country on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>



# Transit drivers don't have an easy job, they just make it look that way.

For hours on end, your driver manages to keep a schedule, check fares, give directions, announce stops, remember requests and more. All while safely maneuvering an extra-large vehicle through unpredictable traffic, tough weather conditions and some *really* tight spaces. Needless to say, they deserve our thanks!





### New MBTA Bus Lottery Open: Actively hiring bus drivers – application deadline of April 14<sup>th</sup>



- MBTA opened a new bus driver lottery which runs through April 14, 2017
- As of March 8<sup>th</sup>, over 9,000 applications had been received
  - Candidates welcome to apply through <u>www.mbtajoblottery.com</u>
  - Outreach through targeted social media and interest groups
    - Diversity Groups, Veteran Organizations, Trades Organizations
    - Career Service Centers, Educational Institutions, Constituent Services



### **Upcoming Budget Option Discussion Dates**

FMCB Meeting	Budget Option Topic
3/20:	FY18 Budget: Sensitivity Analysis for Opex Growth
	Customer Experience / Customer Service Agent discussion
	RIDE premium service discussion
3/27	Weekend commuter rail discussion
	<ul> <li>Ride premium service discussion follow up</li> </ul>
	Strategic operations hires
4/3	Bus Maintenance: Cabot Garage reorganization
4/10	<ul> <li>FY18 Budget: Discussion and possible action</li> </ul>