



Item #: E1

**Board of Directors
Minutes
Wednesday, May 7, 2025**

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Navarro called the regular meeting of the Omnitrans Board of Directors to order at 8:00 AM., Wednesday, May 7, 2025, at the Omnitrans Facility located at 1700 W. 5th Street, San Bernardino, California.

1. Invocation
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call

Board Members Present

Eunice Ulloa – City of Chino
Brian Johsz – City of Chino Hills
Frank Navarro – City of Colton, Chair
John Roberts – City of Fontana
Bill Hussey – City of Grand Terrace
Penny Lilburn – City of Highland
Ron Dailey – City of Loma Linda
John Dutrey – City of Montclair
Alan Wapner – City of Ontario, Vice Chair
Ashley Stickler – City of Rancho Cucamonga, Alternate
Mario Saucedo – City of Redlands, Alternate
Joe Baca – City of Rialto
Helen Tran – City of San Bernardino
Bill Velto – City of Upland
Judy Woolsey – City of Yucaipa, Alternate
Jesse Armendarez – County of San Bernardino
Dawn Rowe – County of San Bernardino
Curt Hagman – County of San Bernardino
Joe Baca Jr. – County of San Bernardino

Omnitrans Administrative Staff Present

Erin Rogers – CEO/General Manager
Dietter Aragon – Director of Operations
Jeremiah Bryant – Chief Strategy and Planning Officer
Christine Glass – Director of Human Resources

Maurice Mansion – Director of Finance
Micah May – Director of Information Technology
Colin Mulloy – Director of Safety, Security & Regulatory Compliance
Nicole Ramos – Director of Marketing and Communications
Connie Raya – Director of Maintenance
Michelle Tagle – Director of Procurement
Ana Arellano – Senior Administrative Assistant
Rick Barone – Materials Manager
Omar Bryant – Maintenance Manager
Melissa Castillo – Customer Service Supervisor
Vickie Chesney – Technical Services Manager
Charles De Simoni – Accounting Manager
Thomas Dahlin – Capital Projects Services Manager
Weber Horng – Web Developer
Janice Kuhn – Marketing Specialist
Arianna Maldonado – Mobility Services Manager
Steve McQueen – Security Specialist
Michelle Morgan – Marketing & Communications Manager
Ben Nolen – Service Planning Manager
Michael Plunkett – Maintenance Manager
Vicky Reed – Assistant Transportation Manager
Alexander Shippee – Development Planning Manager
Robert Walker – Transportation Manager
Doua Yang – Systems Engineer

Legal Counsel

Steve DeBaun

B. ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 04, 2025
8:00 AM at Omnitrans Metro Facility Board Room

Chair Navarro welcomed Alternate Members Ashley Stickler, City of Rancho Cucamonga, Mario Saucedo, City of Redlands and Judy Woolsey, City of Yucaipa to the meeting.

He also noted that Alternate Members Mario Flores, City of San Bernardino, Daisy Macias, City of Ontario and Larry McCallon, City of Highland were in attendance.

2. Employees of the Quarter Awards

Members Armendarez and Stickler arrived at 8:11 AM.

Director of Operations, Dietter Aragon, Director of Maintenance, Connie Raya and Director of Marketing and Communications, Nicole Ramos along with the Board Chair and Vice Chair presented the Employees of the Quarter Awards to the following recipients:

- Carlos Vera, Coach Operator, Operations (Mr. Vera was unable to attend the meeting.)
- Ruben Camacho, Equipment Maintenance Mechanic, Maintenance
- Janai Piedra, Customer Service Representative I, Administration

- Brenda Garcia, Customer Service Representative II, Administration
- Martha Zambrano, Customer Service Representative II, Administration
- Luis Avalos, Customer Service Representative II, Administration
- Karen Fernandez, Customer Service Representative II, Administration
- Cassandra Ponce, Customer Service Representative II, Administration

C. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

D. POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST ISSUES

There were no Conflict of Interest Issues.

1. Disclosures

E. CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Board of Directors Minutes - April 2, 2025
2. Board of Directors Workshop Minutes - March 21, 2025
3. Administrative & Finance Committee Minutes - March 13, 2025
(A&F 4/10/2025)
4. Plans & Programs Committee Minutes - January 22, 2025
(P&P 4/16/2025)
5. Bi-Monthly Transparency Report
6. West Valley Connector Update (P&P 4/16/2025)
7. Contract HR22-06, Medical Examiner Services Amendment 2
(A&F 4/10/2025)

M/S (Curt Hagman/Joe Baca Jr.) that approved the Consent Calendar.

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NOES: 0;

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Fiscal Year 2026 Service Plan (P&P 4/16/2025)

Service Planning Manager, Ben Nolen, provided a brief background on this item as detailed in the staff report.

M/S (Joe Baca Jr./Helen Tran) that adopted the Omnitrans Fiscal Year 2026 Service Plan.

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NOES: 0;

2. Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Budget (A&F 4/10/2025)

Budget & Grants Manager, Samuel Wong, provided a brief background on this item as detailed in the staff report.

Member Dailey expressed support for the budget and noted the decrease in fuel costs. He asked what the cost comparison was of operating an electric bus including electricity and maintenance, versus a Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) bus. CEO/General Manager, Erin Rogers responded that she did not have that information available but could provide it following the meeting.

M/S (Ron Dailey/John Roberts) that adopted the Omnitrans Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Budget.

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NOES: 0;

3. CEO/General Manager's Report

The CEO provided the CEO/General Manager's Report.

Vice Chair Wapner stated that with Omnitrans taking a more active role in legislative and advocacy efforts, suggested that Board Members be invited to participate in some of those meetings. Regarding the LA28 Olympics, he expressed concern regarding Omnitrans taking on additional cost in supporting the event without receiving additional revenue. Member Baca agreed with Vice Chair Wapner's comments. Vice Chair Wapner stressed the importance of taking a position on this matter and asked that an item be placed on a future agenda to discuss further. Ms. Rogers noted the request.

G. BOARD BUSINESS

The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 8:40 AM.

Closed Session

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator, Christine Glass Concerning Labor Negotiations with Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1704, Regarding the Coach Operator Unit, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: CEO/General Manager
3. Conference with Labor Negotiators: Agency Designated Representatives: Chair and Legal Counsel
Unrepresented Employee: CEO/General Manager

Member Rowe left the meeting at 9:03 AM during Closed Session.

The Board reconvened at 9:13 AM.

Legal Counsel stated that there was no reportable action.

Open Session

1. Consideration and Possible Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Omnitrans and Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1704, Regarding Coach Operator Unit, Effective April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2028

M/S (Curt Hagman/Joe Baca Jr.) that approved the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Omnitrans and Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1704, Regarding Coach Operator Unit, Effective April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2028.

AYE: 18; Eunice Ulloa, Brian Johsz, Frank J. Navarro, John Roberts, Bill Hussey, Penny Lilburn, Ron Dailey, John Dutrey, Alan D. Wapner, Mario Saucedo, Helen Tran, Bill Velto, Jesse Armendarez, Curt Hagman, Joe Baca Jr., Joe Baca, Ashley Stickler, Judy Woolsey

NOE: 0; **ABSTAIN:** 0;

H. REMARKS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no remarks or announcements.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 9:14 AM. The next meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2025 at 10:30 AM, with the location posted on the Omnitrans website.

Prepared by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Araceli Barajas", positioned above a horizontal line.

Araceli Barajas, Sr. Executive Assistant to the CEO
Clerk of the Board