



ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT

MINUTES

Board of Directors - Regular Meeting

AC Transit General Offices
2nd Floor Board Room
1600 Franklin Street, Oakland, California

Closed Session 3:15 PM
Regular Meeting 5:00 PM

HYBRID MEETING

Phone (669) 900 6833 Webinar ID: 984 8717 5063

Wednesday, February 11, 2026 at 5:00 PM

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DIANE SHAW, PRESIDENT (WARD 5)
MURPHY MCCALLEY, VICE PRESIDENT (WARD 4)
HARPREET S. SANDHU (WARD 1)
JEAN WALSH (WARD 2)
SARAH SYED (WARD 3)
ANTHONY C. SILVA (WARD 6)
JOEL YOUNG (AT-LARGE)

BOARD OFFICERS

SALVADOR LLAMAS, GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
AIMEE L. STEELE, GENERAL COUNSEL/CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER
LINDA A. NEMEROFF, BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/DISTRICT SECRETARY

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District Board of Directors held a meeting on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. for the purpose of Closed Session. All Board members were present with the exception of Director Young who arrived at 3:19 p.m and Director Syed who arrived at 3:23 p.m. At 3:21 p.m., the Board convened in Closed Session to discuss Items 8A-8C as listed on the agenda. Closed Session concluded at 4:51 p.m.

President Shaw called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: SHAW, McCALLEY, WALSH, SYED, SILVA, YOUNG, SANDHU

3. PRESENTATION**3.A. Update on Federal Legislative Activities.**[26-011](#)

Presenter:
Steve Palmer, Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc.

Staff Contact:
Claudia Burgos, Executive Director of External Affairs & Customer Experience

Steve Palmer, Van Scoyoc Associates, presented the federal legislative update. There was no public comment offered.

The report was presented for information only.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Feinbaum commented on Line 31 along Skyline Boulevard. Feinbaum stated that Bus stops exist; however, regular bus service does not operate on the route. Feinbaum requested consistent service to Skyline High School rather than limited supplemental service offered only a few days per week.

Billy Trice expressed concern that AC Transit Bus Pass prices are too high for seniors and riders with disabilities. Trice urged the Board to prevent further fare increases.

Eduardo Sanchez reported that the Central Maintenance Facility office remodeling project was paused for asbestos testing. Sanchez alleged asbestos exposure and raised concerns about potential long-term health impacts on workers.

Melissa Getz expressed opposition to the removal of the bus route on Pierce Street and Washington Street. Getz identified as a rider with a disability and stated that the service realignment created hardship by requiring travel to San Pablo to access bus service.

Joanna Pace, Ward 1 resident, shared concerns regarding passenger experience. Pace reported

that Sunday service operates on a Saturday schedule, resulting in late arrivals and also noted inaccuracies in the transit app and posted schedules. Pace expressed appreciation to Board Directors, staff and elected officials for joining the bus party on Line 7.

LaTrina Meredith, ATU Local 192 President, raised concerns regarding a discussion with the Chief Operating Officer about reduced wages for certain job classifications, stating that employee contributions are not being adequately valued.

5. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no modifications to the agenda.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR (AND CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT ITEMS)

There was no public comment offered on the items on the Consent Calendar.

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to receive and approve items on Consent Calendar except item 6.D. which was pulled for comment by Director Walsh. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

- 6.A.** Consider approving Board of Directors meeting minutes of January 28, 2026. [26-042](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda A. Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to approve Board of Directors meeting minutes of January 28, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

- 6.B.** Consider approving minor amendments to Board Policy 100 - Introduction to the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation Manual & Periodic Review Schedule. [26-010](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda A. Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to approve minor amendments to Board Policy 100 - Introduction to the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation Manual & Periodic Review Schedule. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

- 6.C.** Consider authorizing General Counsel to attend the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Legal Affairs Seminar on March 15 -18, 2026, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. [26-077](#)

Staff Contact:

Aimee L. Steele, General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer

MOTION: YOUNG/McCALLEY to authorize General Counsel to attend the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) Legal Affairs Seminar on March 15 -18, 2026, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

- 6.D.** Consider receiving a report summarizing the new and revised classification specifications presented during the 2025 calendar year. [26-093](#)

Staff Contact:

James Arcellana, Executive Director of Human Resources

The agenda item was pulled by Director Walsh for comment. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: WALSH/McCALLEY to receive a report summarizing the new and revised classification specifications presented during the 2025 calendar year. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

7. REGULAR CALENDAR

Finance and Audit Items - Chair Walsh

- 7.A.** Consider receiving the FY 2025-26 Mid-Year Budget Review and Ridership Report. [26-004](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

Director of Management and Budget Richard Oslund and Chief Financial Officer Chris Andrichak presented the staff report. There were no public comments offered.

MOTION: SHAW/McCALLEY to receive the FY 2025-26 Mid-Year Budget Review and Ridership Report. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

- 7.B.** Consider authorizing the General Manager and staff to continue negotiations with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the California Department of Finance (DOF), and the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) for a loan with a maximum amount of \$55 million for operations for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2026. [26-105](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

Chief Financial Officer Chris Andrichak presented the staff report. There were no public

comments offered.

MOTION: SHAW/YOUNG to authorize the General Manager and staff to continue negotiations with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the California Department of Finance (DOF), and the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) for a loan with a maximum amount of \$55 million for operations for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

- 7.C.** Consider receiving a report on the timing and content of upcoming fare-related reports. [26-082](#)

Staff Contact:

Chris Andrichak, Chief Financial Officer

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering

Chief Financial Officer Chris Andrichak presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

Brian Culbertson requested that staff perform a retroactive analysis of the previous fare increase, saying that if the analysis shows declines in ridership and revenue, the Board should consider opposing further fare increases prior to the regional measure.

Director Syed moved, Director Walsh seconded, to receive the staff report and direct staff to bring Board Policy 518 (Title VI and Environmental Justice Service Review and Compliance Report Policy) to the Board twice: first as a draft, and second as a final for approval. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: SYED, WALSH, SILVA

Noes: SANDHU, McCALLEY

Abstain: YOUNG, SHAW

MOTION: SHAW/YOUNG to receive a report on the timing and content of upcoming fare-related reports. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

Abstained: SYED

Planning Items - Chair McCalley

- 7.D.** Consider receiving the Before/After Project Implementation Analysis Report on the AC Transit International Quick Build Project. [26-092](#)

Staff Contact:

Ramakrishna Pochiraju, Executive Director of Planning & Engineering

Traffic Engineer Wil Buller and Megan Wier, Assistant Director for the City of Oakland Department of Transportation presented the staff report.

Public Comment:

Brian Culbertson commented on a pedestrian safety report provided to the Board. Culbertson expressed support for the collaboration between OakDOT and AC Transit, citing reduced pedestrian fatalities. Culbertson also acknowledged pedestrians who lost their lives on the corridor in recent years.

MOTION: SHAW/YOUNG to receive the Before/After Project Implementation Analysis Report on the AC Transit International Quick Build Project. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: YOUNG, SILVA, SYED, WALSH, McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU

8. CLOSED SESSION/REPORT OUT

General Counsel Aimee Steele report out on the following:

MOTION: McCALLEY/SHAW to approve settlement in the amount of \$1,500,000 in the matter of Allen-Harper v. AC Transit, Alameda Superior Court Case No. 24-AL00194-A4. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: McCALLEY, SHAW, SANDHU, SYED, WALSH, SILVA, YOUNG

8.A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

(Paragraph 1 of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9)

Allen-Harper v. AC Transit, Alameda Superior Court Case No. 24-AL00194-A4

Semi-Annual Litigation Report

- AC Transit v. CalTrans, et al., ACSC No. 22CV022839;
- Marshall v. AC Transit, et al., U.S. District Court (No.Cal.Dist.) No. 3:24-cv-00996-SK;
- Green v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 24CV074354;
- Reyes v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 24CV073780;
- Morgan v. AC Transit, ACSC No. 25CV133224;
- Tyronne Jones v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 25CV149263;
- Valencia v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 25CV121283;
- Castaneda v. AC Transit, ACSC No. 22CV014537;
- Sheehan v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 23CV031946;
- Coyuch v. AC Transit, CCSC No. C25-01608;
- Elizabeth Washington v. AC Transit, et al., CCSC No. C22-01903;
- Gregory J. Jones v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 25CV126882;
- Aziz v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 25CV124820;
- Lopez-Aguilar, et al. v. AC Transit, et al., ACSC No. 25CV134963;
- Thornton v. AC Transit, ACSC No. 23CV051774,
- Priest v. AC Transit, ACSC No. 22CV013020;
- Bussell v. AC Transit, ACSO 25CV109526;
- Silas v. AC Transit, ACSO No. 23CV047147; and the claims of Rafiei (23-AL00135), Woodin (25-AL00149); Lackwood (24-AL00315); Maxwell (Claim No. 25-AL00065); Rodriguez (22-GL00006-A4), and Glover (24-AL00319).

In addition, there is a report regarding violations at the District's Division 2 facility during this reporting period.

8.B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: (one matter)

8.C. Public Employee Appointment

(Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

Title: District Secretary, Interim District Secretary

9. AGENDA PLANNING

- 9.A.** Review of Agenda Planning Pending List and an Agenda Planning Request Form submitted by Director Walsh. [26-018b](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda Nemeroff Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

Agenda Planning request from Director Walsh was accepted.

10. BOARD/STAFF COMMENTS

(Government Code Section 53232.3(d))

Members of the Board commented on meetings, conferences, and events they attended since the last Board meeting.

10.A. Written reports from Board members on travel to District-related conferences occurring in the last 30 days.

[26-019b](#)

Staff Contact:

Linda Nemeroff, Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary

There were no reports entered into the record.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m. The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for March 11, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Linda A. Nemeroff

Board Administrative Officer/District Secretary