

## CFIT Minutes January 21, 2017

1. Richard called meeting to order at 2 PM. Marilyn Kruger made a motion to accept the minutes, there was a second by Don Nelson. Motion passed.
2. Marian gave the financial reports. The balance in our checking account is, \$487.33. There was a motion by Don and a second by Ralph to accept the financial report. Motion passed.
3. Richard had a copy of the preliminary T-shirt design for our next order. The design would show our logo along with the clip art that appears on our other T-shirt, and underneath those the adjectives, convenient, economical, reliable, and safe. There was discussion about having the adjectives on the back of the T-shirt. Richard will get a quote on the cost for having the T-shirt printed both front and back. If it is not too cost prohibitive we might also add the words, environmentally friendly. We still have three of the old design T-shirts, size extra large. We will make our decision after we have the graphics for the new design and the additional costs.
4. Marilyn reported that the ATU local 1293 election for vice president ended in a tie. The runoff election will be held on February 1, 2017. If Marilyn is elected to the vice president position it will mean that she will have less time for CFIT. Anyone interested in taking over or sharing the responsibility of Recording Secretary please contact Richard.
5. Richard reported on the results of the long-term transportation plan. There was some cause for concern because Coby Mack was trying to get percentages changed. The final plan requires several Government agency approvals. Coby Mack did not show up for these hearings so we believe that it will be finalized very soon.
6. Richard handed out copies of proposed bylaws. We would like our members to read through these and make suggestions. The process of creating bylaws will take several months. We did discuss part number six of the bylaws regarding endorsement of candidates. The group decided that we should not endorse candidates for the upcoming City Council election. The discussion then went to inviting candidates to come to our next meeting for a meet and greet. Richard will check with the election commission to determine the deadline for a person who wants to run for City Council. There are currently seven people running for the three at large positions. We will invite them. We will have just one question for the candidates which Don Nelson will draw up and give to Marilyn. The question will be sent to the candidate along with the invitation to attend our meeting. There was a motion by Don and the second by Marian to extend an invitation to all the candidates. Motion passed. There was a motion by Ralph and the second by Zack to mail the question along with the invitation. Motion passed.  
( I will Include the question in an amendment to the minutes when I receive it.)
7. Richard reported that Major Pennington from the Salvation Army sent a letter of support for more money for Star Tran. Brian Praeuner from Star Tran was present at the meeting. Richard told him that the salvation army was having difficulty getting bus passes. Brian will follow up on this.
8. Item 8 on the agenda was discussed earlier. It was about endorsement of candidates.

9. There was much discussion about changes to routes 40, 42, and 49. It was agreed that the additional time has improved these routes greatly. The 46 is now deadheading out in the morning which it has helped people who needs to get transfers downtown. The numbers 53 bus is going into Edgewood on the inbound trips and that is a great improvement. There is no bus stops sign at the Target store however Brian explained that it is a bus stop but that Target does not want a bus stop sign on their property. Marilyn asked Brian to tell management that the drivers need a memo stating that Target is an authorized bus stop. Richard also mentioned that the 48/54 schedule has been improved and is much easier to understand. There were also discussions regarding School booster buses.
10. We handed out samples of our new pamphlet which was printed for us by ATU International. Zack would like for us to get this in an electronic form designed for visually impaired people. Marilyn will contact International regarding this.
11. Richard informed the group that he has sent a letter to Star Tran expressing concern about the placement of some of the bus stops. Brian will look into this. There are also bus stops that need better lighting. The group made several suggestions which Brian will take back to Star Tran. Zack also requested that the bus rider guides be available in electronic form. Brian will look into this as well.
12. It was decided that the group does not need a nominating Committee.
13. The group will begin the process of electing new officers in March.
14. Don and Richard reported on the meeting that they attended at the Chamber of Commerce. They spoke to a group of about 35 people. These people were human resource officers from most of the major employers in Lincoln. The meeting was very successful. The leaders agreed that they would stay in contact with management at Star Tran regarding there needs to help their employees get to and from work. A gentleman named, Jason Helbush, from Kawasaki reported that he had had great success through this type of communication.
15. There was no old business.
16. There was no new business.
17. Motion to adjourn by Don and the second by Ralph. Motion passed.