SEPTA Citizen Advisory Committee

June 24, 2014 Plenary Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Maurice Baynard, Nathanael Brouhard, Eric Cheung, Heather Clark, Glenn Cuff, Philip Dawson, Michele Grant, Jack Greening, Laura Hanes, David Kalkstein, Cameron Kline, Norman S. Marcus, Tim Moyer, Nicholas Mulligan, Julio Nieves, Roderick Powell, Aissia Richardson, Angela Roach, Robin Robinowitz, Thaddeus Robinson, Patricia Russell, Christine Schwarz, Laurie-Ellen Shumaker, Esha Thornton, Emily Van Yuga, Lee Wall

Members Absent: Elizabeth Gross, David L. Hackett, Walter Jeffers, William J. Judge Sr, Patricia Peterson, Curtis Wilkerson

Guests: Elizabeth Gross; George Spellman, SEPTA Liaison

**Call to Order**
Maurice Baynard called the meeting to order at 5:47 p.m.

**Meeting Minutes**
Minutes from March 25, April 29 and May 27 meetings were approved with minor corrections.

**Transit Subcommittee Reports**
Glenn Cuff summarized the discussion at the June meeting, including that George Spellman noted he did not receive a summary of the RUN conference of National Train Day. He requested monthly and quarterly updates of CAC activities. Maurice Baynard confirmed that a summary of those two recent activities was emailed to George and to Kim Heinle on May 13.

Norman Marcus explained the executive order that required striking employees to return to work.

Glenn Cuff reported on a complaint about overcrowding on bus 113 and his experience riding the El during Night Owl service.

Norman Marcus noted that the CAC’s library was left with Charles Gardner. George Spellman will try to locate the box and its contents.

The CAC needs to set up an account for funds from the RUN conference. Eric Cheung asked about a $2,000 line item for the CAC in the operating budget and asked how that money could be used.

**Regional Rail Subcommittee Report**
Phil Dawson reported that the group reviewed the Strategic Business Plan and sent comments, including a request for more detailed data regarding on-time performance. He noted long term reliability of equipment/ life cycle costs, transit-oriented development (TOD) and regeneration/ cogeneration.

**Introduction of New Members**
George Spellman, SEPTA liaison, distributed a list with his phone, email and other information related to orientation for new members and upcoming tours of SEPTA Systems and Wayne Junction.

Regarding scheduling of presentation speakers, Maurice Baynard stated that better communication is needed between SEPTA staff and the CAC Executive Committee.

CAC members should direct comments, complaints, and commendations regarding SEPTA service to cservice@septa.org.

All CAC members introduced themselves, indicated the county they represent, and described a favorite CAC moment or something they hope to accomplish in the next year.

**Announcement**
Aissia Richardson announced that Andy Sharpe, a frequent CAC meeting visitor, is now a SEPTA staff member.
Elections
Cameron Kline led the election of officers for the 2014-2015 term, including confirmation of nominees. Ballots were distributed, collected and counted. Newly elected officers are:
Chair: Philip Dawson
Regional Rail Vice Chair: Laura Hanes
Transit Vice Chair: Glenn Cuff
Secretary: Esha Thornton

Next Meeting
The next plenary meeting is scheduled for July 29.

Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Clark, CAC Secretary