# SKAGIT TRANSIT CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 12, 2013 5:00 p.m. Skagit Station Conference Room Mount Vernon, WA

Susan Pole called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

#### **Committee Members**

Louise Edens Craig Edens Dick Phillips Doris Brevoort Susan Pole Valerie Rose Bill Myers Joy Kane

### Skagit Transit

Troy Fair Mary Lozeau Dale O'Brien Dennis Digges

Members of the Public Richard Kent

### I. <u>Public Comment:</u>

Richard Kent, Bayview resident thanked Skagit Transit for extending ridership in Bayview. Richard stated the Chuckanut Park & Ride could use an enclosure to prevent wind and rain from chilling passengers waiting for their buses. Richard recommended restrooms for passengers at Chuckanut Park & Ride.

### II. <u>Approval of minutes</u>:

#### Notes from the field:

Louise Edens stated she conducted surveys and heard no ill comments about the drivers. Louise stated she enjoyed doing the surveys and would welcome the opportunity to do it again. Louise noted the extra trip on route 49 to Chuckanut Park & Ride is great and she received many positive comments from riders.

### General Update:

Dale O'Brien informed the committee new bus shelters are being installed and the Alger Park & Ride will be paved the week of September 16<sup>th</sup>. Dale stated two new cutaway vehicles have arrived and we are expecting four more for pocket service. Dale noted the deli is completed and two site visits are planned for potential vendors.

Dennis Digges reported recent surveys indicate riders are requesting same hours on weekends as weekdays and easier fare box and boarding process. Dennis noted riders scored the driver friendliness very high.

## III. <u>Unfinished Business</u>:

Susan Pole stated the October meeting will be a public forum format. Community leaders will be invited to share their opinions. We will invite them to share their needs utilizing the bus and ask them how we can serve them better. Susan noted we will also be requesting ideas for educating our youth about public transit.

## IV. <u>New Business:</u>

V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Susan Pole, Chair Skagit Transit Citizens' Advisory Committee

Attest:

Mary Lozeau Clerk of the Citizens' Advisory Committee