CAC REPORT

August 9, 2022

Les O'Neil, Operations Supervisor with Skagit Transit, spoke to the committee on the problems traditional bus advertising can cause, and the expense. For this reason, other low-tech solutions using tag lines promoting mass transit are being considered.

Mr O'Neil also explained the protocol of drivers calling in any detour or emergency situation to Skagit Transit, and the typical coordinated intra-agency response.

Brad then reported on the extended bus route adjustments taking place through September 29, due to driver shortages. However, it is hoped that upcoming driver training classes will make up for the current shortfall. A member suggestion was made to provide low-tech notifications in the areas affected, such as a sandwich board notice, as not all passengers have online access to alerts of this nature.

A CAC field trip to Concrete will be taking place in either September or early October.

The CAC Chair is asking all members to be thinking of ideas for CAC member recruitment, and which ideas they feel they can implement. Further discussions to come as we implement ideas.

Under the staff report, CAC members are asked to alert Skagit Transit to any back-to-school activities in the various Skagit communities, in order to promote the Youth Fare-Free program.

Members were again reminded of the service changes taking place September 29, with the splitting of the 300 to 300-301, and minor changes to the 204 and 207 routes. Also, the adjustment to coordination between Island Transit and Skagit Transit buses will eliminate the current half mid-day hour pause in western Washington service.

The August Stuff The Bus diaper drive was also announced, and donations of diapers/wipes will grant a discount to county fair admission.

Bus ridership is still enjoying a steady increase.

In the Round Table section, the Chair alerted everyone to the statewide Week Without Driving challenge, starting September 19, asking all members to send previously-e-mailed information to elected leaders throughout their respective communities.

The satisfaction surveys have been collected, and data is currently being compiled.

Next meeting: September 13, 4:30 PM

Sep 13, 2022 04:30 PM Oct 11, 2022 04:30 PM Nov 8, 2022 04:30 PM Dec 13, 2022 04:30 PM

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