# Minutes Customer Service, Operations and Safety Committee December 14, 2006 2 p.m.

Mr. Briscuso called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. Present were:

### **Committee Members**

## **Other Board Members Present**

Mr. Raymond Briscuso, Chair Mrs. Michelle Pourciau, Vice Chair

Mrs. Gladys Mack Mr. Charles Deegan Mr. Dana Kauffman Mr. Chris Zimmerman Mr. Gordon Linton Mr. Marcell Soloman Mr. Marion Barry

Mr. Briscuso thanked Mr. Linton for chairing the Customer Service, Operations and Safety Committee on November 9, 2006.

# **Approval of Agenda**

The Agenda was approved as submitted.

# **Approval of Minutes**

The November 9, 2006 Customer Service, Operations and Safety committee meeting minutes were accepted and approved as submitted.

### **Action Item**

# A. Art in Transit Performing Arts Project

Michael McBride presented a plan, Metro *Performs!*, that will feature local performers for a one-year pilot program at designated rail station entrances from April through October and for the end-of-year holiday season. The program is to be implemented in Spring 2007 and was organized in cooperation with National Capital Area Arts Councils. All performances would be scheduled and take place at least 15 feet away from station entrances, escalators and stairwells. This program would enhance the travel experience of our passengers and create partnerships to promote public transportation and the arts.

Some Board members expressed concerns about funding and the need to pay the performers. Mr. McBride clarified that the fees for the performers were to be provided

by the local Performing Arts Commission, and that the Performing Arts Commission would receive this funding from the jurisdictions.

After lengthy discussion, the one-year demonstration program was approved as presented; Mr. Zimmerman abstained from voting.

Mr. Briscuso moved the Information items to January 11, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:53 p.m.