

POLICY, LEGISLATIVE and Administrative COMMITTEE
April 6, 2006

MINUTES

Mrs. Mack called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m. Present were: Mrs. Gladys W. Mack, Mr. Charles Deegan, Mr. Robert J. Smith, Mr. Dana Kauffman, Mr. Jim Graham, Mr. Marcel Solomon, Mr. Christopher Zimmerman and Mrs. Catherine Hudgins.

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved without comment.

II. Action Items:

A. Minutes from September 15, 2005 Policy and Legislative Committee

Approved unanimously.

B. Minutes from December 8, 2005 Administration Committee Meeting

Approved unanimously.

C. Inspector General

Interim General Manager Dan Tangherlini presented a proposal to establish an independent and objective position of Inspector General (IG) at WMATA. The IG would report directly to the WMATA Board of Directors and would be responsible for several areas which were described in detail in Mr. Tangherlini's written proposal which was furnished to the Board and to the public. The proposal was in part based on input solicited from the former FTA Inspector General as well as inspectors general from transit agencies in New York, Los Angeles and Chicago.

In a discussion about the audience to whom the IG's report should be made public, Mr. Smith made a motion to insert "Chair of the Riders Advisory Council and the general public" in the final "Resolved" clause of page 2 of the April 6, 2006 proposed resolution (i.e. "Resolved that the IG shall make a report periodically to a committee of the Board designated by the Board...") The Committee unanimously approved Mr. Smith's motion. Mr. Deegan clarified that the Board will establish the qualifications for the IG position. Mr. Graham encouraged Committee Members to dedicating themselves to finding the right person for this position.

The motion to recommend that the Board create an Office of the Inspector General was approved and the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 a.m.