

**Minutes
Safety & Security Committee
July 23, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. Present were:

Committee Members

Mr. Michael Goldman, Chair
Mr. Tom Bulger, Vice Chair
Mr. Anthony Giancola
Mr. Jim Corcoran
Mr. William Euille
Ms. Kathryn Porter
Mr. Mortimer Downey
Mr. Leif Dormsjo

Other Members

Mr. Malcolm Augustine
Mr. Anthony Costa
Mr. Jack Evans
Ms. Keturah Harley
Ms. Mary Hynes
Ms. Catherine Hudgins
Mr. Corbett Price
Ms. Harriet Tregoning

Certification of Executive Session

The executive session of the Audit & Investigation Committee was certified and approved.

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of June 25, 2015 were approved as submitted.

Information Items

A. Meeting with FTA Administrator (T. McMillan)

Acting FTA Administrator Therese McMillan remarked on the findings of the FTA Safety Management Inspection (SMI) and Financial Management Oversight Audit, noting that FTA and WMATA executives have a scheduled meeting for Friday July 24, 2015, to discuss WMATA's response to the SMI and to clarify FTA findings.

Members of the Board and Committee asked about FTA's position on the current financial team's performance and for clarification on the SMI process, including management's opportunity to comment on findings prior to the report's issuance.

B. FTA Action Plan/Comprehensive Safety Plan (J. Dougherty)

Chief Safety Officer Jim Dougherty reported on the status of WMATA's response to the FTA SMI report and its preliminary response to the findings. Mr. Dougherty noted that of the 91 Required Actions, WMATA submitted responses to 73, with the remaining 18 requiring additional clarification from FTA.

Mr. Goldman asked when a final response would be issued to FTA and when to expect comment back, to which Mr. Dougherty replied that WMATA's response would be submitted by mid-September and a response would come within 30 days of the submittal. Mr. Downey asked that management stress with FTA that metrics are needed in order to develop corrective action plans that that are measurable.

C. Update on Safety & Security – Jurisdictional Partners (M. Bashoor / S. Souder / S. Freudberg)

Chief Bashoor (Prince George's County) reported that the new Fire/Rescue Liaison at the ROCC is currently staffed and operating. Chief Bashoor noted that there are 3 additional staff that are undergoing training and would be ready to supplement the current personnel within 30 days, pending funding.

Board and Committee Members asked questions about funding requirements for various staffing options.

Mr. Steven Souder (Fairfax County) reported on a communications study that found 90% of 911 calls from cellular phones successful on platforms and mezzanines, but only 28% success in the tunnels.

Mr. Stuart Freudberg (Council of Governments) reported on the COG communications study, noting meetings with cellular service providers at an upcoming retreat. Mr. Freudberg also reported on recent COG activities with regards to the Metropolitan Safety Committee.

D. Tri-State Oversight Committee Briefing (K. Baryshev)

Tri-State Oversight Committee (TOC) Chair Klara Baryshev introduced the TOC representatives from Virginia and Maryland and reported on TOC activities from the second quarter of 2015. Ms. Baryshev noted the number of open accident and incident investigations and corrective actions.

E. Tri-State Oversight Committee Briefing (K. Baryshev)

Chief Safety Officer Jim Dougherty reported the second quarter employee and customer injury statistics, noting areas where injuries are higher than compared to the same period of 2014 and action plans in place to improve performance.

Board and Committee members requested details about specific groups and injury types. Mr. Downey emphasized that while the CSO provides the injury reports, all groups are responsible for taking action to lower injuries across the system.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.