

**Minutes  
Safety & Security Committee  
March 24, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 9:40am. Present were:

**Committee Members**

Mr. Mortimer Downey, Chair  
Mr. Leif Dormsjo, Vice Chair  
Mr. Christian Dorsey  
Mr. Michael Goldman

**Other Members**

Mr. Malcolm Augustine	Ms. Keturah Harley
Mr. Tom Bulger	Ms. Catherine Hudgins
Mr. Jim Corcoran	Ms. Kathryn Porter
Mr. Anthony Costa	Mr. Paul Smedberg
Mr. Jack Evans	Ms. Harriet Tregoning
Mr. Anthony Giancola	

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved as submitted.

**Information Items**

**A. Update on Fatigue Risk Management System (FRMS) (F. James)**

Dr. Francine James provided an overview on WMATA's implementation of an FRMS program. Ahead of any regulations requiring monitoring and mitigation on fatigue risk, WMATA embarked on a process to develop a solution. SAFE's approach was to develop a fatigue risk management system which introduces initiatives that are meant to reduce the likelihood of fatigue-related impairment. Some of these initiatives currently being implemented include on site quiet rooms, new methodology for investigating fatigue in incidents, training and education, awareness via reports and an FRMS Intranet page.

**B. McPherson Square Incident Update (L. Brown)**

Mr. Brown provided an update on the McPherson Square incident. On March 14, report of an arcing insulator outside of the McPherson Square station resulted in single-tracking and delays throughout the day affecting the Orange, Silver and Blue lines. Preliminary inspection has revealed a 3<sup>rd</sup> rail feeder cable burned, however, the cause has yet to be determined. The investigation noted that prior to the incident the side walls of the tunnel had just been washed. The investigation led by SAFE is ongoing and the investigation report will be submitted by April 13 to FTA for review and approval.

**C. Briefing on Jumper Cable Inspection and Repair (L. Brown)**

Mr. Brown provided an overview on the closing of the rail system for jumper cable inspection and repairs. Due to the recent McPherson Square arcing incident, it was decided the Metrorail system would be shut down Tuesday, March 15 at midnight until Thursday, March 17 at 5am for an inspection of the third rail power jumper cables throughout the underground sections of the system. Upon inspection, 27 defects were found, three of which were considered highest priority. All of these 27 defects have been corrected. The inspection also revealed 338 locations which required non-emergency repair which are currently being remedied. A new maintenance group is being established to create a sustainable monthly inspection program.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:54am.