

**MINUTES OF THE RIVER PARISHES TRANSIT AUTHORITY
JANUARY 6, 2010**

The Chairperson, B. Petit called the regular meeting to order at approximately 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 6, 2010 at the St. John the Baptist Parish Council Meeting Room, LaPlace LA.

Members present were B. Petit, C. Clarke, A. Harper, H. Banquer, and F. Washington. R. Boudreaux and C. Fauchoux were absent. Also present was M. Cazaubon of SCPDC and A. Costello of Veolia.

It was moved by C. Clarke, seconded by A. Harper to approve the minutes of the Wednesday, December 9, 2009 meeting. Motion carried.

It was moved by H. Banquer, seconded by F. Washington to approve the accounts payable. Motion carried.

Costello gave a transit operator's report. A total of 1357 riders were transported which is about 61.7 passengers a day. No complaints were reported. There were no accidents and 1 passenger incident. 17,282 miles were driven. December 24, 2009 and December 31, 2009 were a little slower than normal. There were only 2 preventable accidents for the year.

Discussion ensued on one of the buses which has problems, and on the radios and communication issues of all the buses.

Discussion ensued regarding ordering the additional bus. Cazaubon stated she received an email from the state regarding the purchase of an additional bus using state funds. There are two vehicles on state contract.

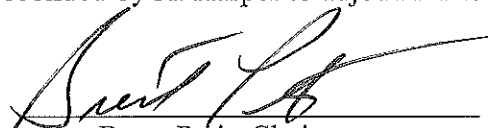
Cazaubon discussed amendment of the ARRA grant to move \$30,000.00 from capital to operating and on amending the 2009 and 2010 budget.

It was moved by H. Banquer, seconded by C. Clarke to approve the LPTA dues of \$1,000.00. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued on SCPDC Contract Extension. The board will take under advisement until the next meeting.

Discussion ensued on the passbooks, coupons, ribbon cutting ceremony, passenger guide, complaint procedures, status of routing program, and the memorandum of understandings with area offices of homeland security and emergency preparedness and with other agencies for storage of vehicles in the event of evacuation.

It was moved by C. Clarke, seconded by A. Harper to adjourn. Motion carried.


Brent Petit, Chairperson