MINUTES
NVTC COMMISSION MEETING – JANUARY 3, 2013
NVTC CONFERENCE ROOM – ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

The meeting of the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission was called to order by Chairman Fisette at 8:08 P.M.

Members Present
Sharon Bulova
Barbara Comstock
John Cook
James Dyke
William D. Euille
Jay Fisette
John Foust
Catherine Hudgins
Mary Hynes
Jeffrey McKay
Ken Reid
Thomas Rust
Paul Smedberg
David F. Snyder
Christopher Zimmerman

Members Absent
Richard H. Black
Jeffrey Greenfield
Mark R. Herring
Joe May
David Ramadan

Staff Present
Doug Allen (VRE)
Mariela Garcia-Colberg
Rhonda Gilchrest
Claire Gron
Scott Kalkwarf
Kala Quintana
Rick Taube
Minutes of the December 6, 2012 Meeting

Mrs. Bulova moved, with a second by Mr. Smedberg, to approve the minutes. The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Election of NVTC Officers for 2013 and Oath of Office

Chairman Fisette announced that he appointed NVTC’s executive committee to serve as the nominating committee. The nominating committee has recommended the following slate of officers for 2013:

Chairman: Jeff McKay
Vice-Chairman: Paul Smedberg
Secretary-Treasurer: Dave Snyder

Chairman Fisette moved, with a second by Delegate Rust, to approve the slate of officers. The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Chairman Fisette administered the oath of office to the new officers and handed the gavel over to newly elected Chairman McKay. Chairman McKay presented a plaque to Mr. Fisette recognizing his outstanding leadership during 2012.

VRE Items

Report from the VRE Operations Board and Chief Executive Officer. Mr. Allen reported that VRE’s overall on-time performance (OTP) for the month of December was 97.5 percent. There was one significant delay caused by an electrical issue, but it does not appear to be a systematic problem. Ridership also remains strong at over 19,000 average daily riders for the month of December. VRE received assurances from DRPT concerning the track access funding. VRE also conducted its 16th annual Santa Trains event on December 8th and VRE’s annual Toys for Tots campaign was also very successful. VRE collected 40 bags of toys and over $15,000 in cash donations. Mr. Allen also reported that the VRE Operations Board has appointed the following officers for 2013:

Chairman: Paul Smedberg
Vice-Chairman: Paul Milde
Secretary: John Cook
Treasurer: Jonathan Way
VRE FY 2014 Operating and Capital Budget and Revisions to the FY 2013 Budget. Mrs. Bulova reported that the VRE Operations Board recommends approval of Resolution #2205, which would approve VRE’s FY 2014 operating and capital budgets together with revisions to the FY 2013 budget. It also authorizes staff to forward the approved FY 2014 budget to participating and contributing jurisdictions under the terms of the Master Agreement. Mrs. Bulova stated that it will also be sent to TPB, FTA and other federal agencies, as well as the Commonwealth.

Mrs. Bulova explained that the FY 2014 budget is basically a status quo budget, with deferment of the additional 10-car Fredericksburg train to FY 2015, recommendation of a four percent fare increase, and no increase in subsidy level, which will remain at $16.4 million.

Mrs. Bulova moved, with a second by Mr. Smedberg, to approve Resolution #2205 (copy attached). The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Extension of the Norfolk Southern Operating Access Agreement. Mrs. Bulova reported that the VRE Operations Board recommends approval of Resolution #2206, which would extend the current VRE operating access agreement with Norfolk Southern through July 31, 2013. VRE staff expects this to be the last extension before a revised agreement is presented for commission approval.

On a motion by Mrs. Bulova and a second by Mr. Smedberg, the commission unanimously approved the resolution (copy attached). The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Public Access Across the Rippon VRE Station. Mrs. Bulova reported that Resolution #2207 would approve agreements with Prince William County and CSXT permitting public access across the Rippon VRE station for the purpose of reaching the Featherstone National Wildlife Refuge. The commissions would grant the access in return for Prince William County providing $2 million in liability insurance coverage for the commissions and CSXT. Incidents exceeding this amount would be covered under VRE’s other existing insurance policies. A developer will cover the entire cost of the station modifications needed to provide this access.

Mrs. Bulova moved, with a second by Mr. Smedberg, to approve Resolution #2207 (copy attached). The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.
Selection of NVTC’s Representatives to the WMATA, VRE and VTA Boards of Directors and to NVTC’s Executive and Legislative Committees

Chairman McKay announced the nominations for the WMATA, VRE and VTA boards. He reminded commissioners that these actions may be contingent on subsequent action by local boards and councils. The nominations and committee selections are as follows:

**WMATA Board:**
- **Principals:** Cathy Hudgins, James Dyke
- **Alternates:** Mary Hynes, William Euille

**VRE Operations Board:**
- **Principals:** Sharon Bulova, John Cook, Chris Zimmerman, Paul Smedberg
- **Alternates:** Jeff McKay, Jay Fisette, Tim Lovain

**VTA Board:**
- **Principals:** Chris Zimmerman, William Euille
- **Alternates:** Mary Hynes, Jeff McKay

**NVTC Legislative Committee**
- William Euille
- Tom Rust
- Mark Herring
- Catherine Hudgins
- Mary Hynes
- Jeff Greenfield
- Dave Snyder
- Ken Reid

**NVTC Executive Committee**
- Jeff McKay (chairman)
- Paul Smedberg (vice-chairman)
- Dave Snyder (secretary-treasurer)
- Tom Rust (General Assembly)
- Catherine Hudgins (WMATA Board)
- James Dyke (WMATA Board)
- Mary Hynes (WMATA Board)
- William Euille (WMATA Board)
- Sharon Bulova (chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors)
- Jay Fisette (immediate past chair)

Mr. Euille moved, with a second by Mrs. Bulova, to adopt Resolution #2208, which approves the selection of the NVTC appointments to the WMATA, VRE and VTA boards. In response to a question from Mr. Smedberg, Mr. Taube explained that legislative committee members are appointed by NVTC’s chairman and the executive committee membership is governed by NVTC’s By-Laws. Delegate Rust noted that he would serve on NVTC’s Legislative and Executive Committees if Delegate May chose not to do so.

The commission then voted on the resolution and it was unanimously passed. The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.
Approval of NVTC’s Official Signatories and Employees’ Pension Trustees

Mr. Taube explained that Resolution #2209 establishes David Snyder, as NVTC’s newly appointed Secretary-Treasurer, as eligible to sign NVTC documents (including financial transactions) and to serve as a trustee of NVTC’s Employees’ Pension Trust.

On a motion by Mrs. Bulova and a second by Mr. Smedberg, the commission unanimously approved the resolution (copy attached). The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Policy, Program and Goal

Mr. Taube stated that the commission is being asked to adopt Resolution #2210, which would establish a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) policy, program and three-year goal for NVTC’s federally funded projects. He explained that NVTC established such a policy, program and goal earlier in 2012 but FTA has asked for revisions. NVTC’s revised policy, program and goal must be made available to the public for 45 days for comment before NVTC acts to approve it in final form. FTA has asked that the goal be increased from 6.7 to 10.3 percent. Accordingly, the resolution authorizes staff to advertise the proposed policy, program and goal for public comment with the expectation that final action will occur at NVTC’s March 7, 2013 meeting.

Mr. Fisette stated that it is his understanding that it is just a goal and there is no penalty if it is not met. Mr. Taube agreed but stated that NVTC should be able to meet the goal. NVTC has awarded a contract for one federal grant project over the last year and the actual DBE content was 25 percent.

Mrs. Bulova moved, with a second by Delegate Rust, to approve the resolution (copy attached). The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Review of NVTC’s 2012 Accomplishments

Mr. Taube asked NVTC staff members to brief the commission on their accomplishments over the past year. Mr. Kalkwarf reported that he spent a lot of his time and effort responding to DRPT’s new policies regarding NVTC’s role and its Subsidy Allocation Model. A new complex process has been initiated in which NVTC serves as an “agent” to the jurisdictions to prepare state grant applications, invoice grants and receive and allocate state funds in separate accounts. NVTC carefully monitored the receipt of $48 million in gas tax revenue. $5.3 million has been correctly reallocated to date.
Ms. Quintana reported that she assisted in completing NVTC’s state and federal legislative agenda, cooperated in the response to the consolidation study, and completed public outreach work for NVTA’s TransAction 2040 plan update, saving up to $250,000 in contract costs. NVTC’s website continues to see increases in usage (up 30 percent since 2010) and nearly 2.9 million requests were received for e-schedules.

Ms. Garcia-Colberg reported that NVTC helped lead the multi-region effort to initiate a new Vanpool Incentive Program. NVTC managed the grant for the $500,000 TransAction 2040 regional transportation plan update, which was completed at the end of 2012. NVTC also is in the lead role in managing the $350,000 federally funded ($437,500 with required matching funds) project to analyze multi-modal options in the Route 7 corridor from King Street Alexandria to Tysons). A consultant was selected and work is underway. For Alexandria, Arlington and Falls Church, NVTC continues to manage ongoing federal grants with matching funds totaling over $17 million, with another $8.5 million pending FTA approval.

Ms. Gron reported that NVTC compiles transit performance data from each of the transit systems operating in Northern Virginia. NVTC includes this information on its website. For FY 2012, ridership rose for many systems, despite the ongoing economic downturn, sharp reduction of federal tax-free commuting benefits and increased fares. VRE gained over 300,000 annual riders (up 1.2 percent) and several local bus systems showed very solid growth (e.g. Arlington’s ART at 12.2 percent).

Ms. Gron also reported that NVTC adopted a carefully negotiated resolution and obtained agreement from WMATA on the terms to be applied to Loudoun County when Silver Line service begins to operate in the county. Staff also actively represented NVTC’s transit systems on DRPT’s SJR 297 stakeholder group. NVTC staff is also assisting the region in planning for the procurement of the next generation of fare collection (NEPP) to be compatible with WMATA.

Public Hearing on and Adoption of NVTC’s Work Program and Schedule for 2013

Mr. Taube reviewed NVTC’s proposed Work Program and Schedule for 2013, recognizing that when a new executive director is hired there may be new recommendations made.

Chairman McKay opened the public hearing at 8:36 P.M.

Mr. Ed Tennyson, a resident from Vienna, Virginia, stated that NVTC 2013 Work Program should look to the future to stop the region from backsliding. He expressed concern about planning issues with the new Silver Line Metrorail extension to Dulles. Erroneous planning has caused a 6.5 percent loss of Metrorail riders in the third quarter of 2012. WMATA had a good fare structure until about two years ago when the base Metrorail fare was increased higher than Metrobus fares. He observed that the Rush Plus program has also chased riders off the system. Overloading Blue Line trains is unacceptable. He expressed his opinion that WMATA cannot afford to waste $4.5 million annually to run the Silver Line to Largo. The third pocket track at D&G Junction
should be used for six-car trains. Metrorail’s car mileage is excessive averaging only 24 passenger-miles per car-mile. NVTC should pay closer attention to WMTA management.

Mr. Reid arrived at 8:39 P.M.

Mr. Tennyson urged NVTC to expand its comparative data on transit operations to include the transit riding habit, the cost per passenger-mile, and load factors. Passenger-miles per capita is the only honest way to measure ridership. He also stated that with federal and state funds in short supply, more local funding is needed for transit. The local contribution is only 25.4 percent of the subsidy, but the median of the peer group is 28.5 percent, which is a difference of 12 percent. Metrorail is saving Northern Virginia residents over $800 million annually on motor fuel. Hopefully the General Assembly will restore the originally agreed 4.2 percent sales tax on motor fuel, but if not, it is up to the region to generate more transit funding. He also stated that it is important to watch trends.

Mr. Zimmerman noted that nine years ago WMATA’s General Manager cut Metrorail car lengths on off peak trains, which resulted in many complaints by the press and public.

Mr. Rob Whitfield, a member of the Dulles Corridor Users Group, stated that he has been attending NVTC meetings for about three years. He hasn’t heard many significant updates about WMATA. Back in 2010, the WMATA General Manager gave a presentation at NVTC where he projected that the WMATA fleet would contain 50 percent eight-car trains by 2015 and 100 percent by 2020. At WMATA’s General Manager’s last presentation to NVTC he made no such projections. It will now cost $1.5 billion for system improvements before eight-car trains can be put into service.

Mr. Whitfield stated that his lack of trust of WMATA stems from a series of issues. For example, the proposed maintenance yard near Dulles Airport for the Silver Line should not be paid “off of the backs” of the Toll Road users. He stated that transit riders are paying “next to nothing” of the $6+ billion capital costs of the Silver Line. That is a fundamental failure of all the federal and state politicians to not restructure the funding policies for transit. Therefore, he will be making a proposal to Congress which would require that for federal funding there be a minimum contribution from those that benefit from transit projects. The notion that somebody else should pay for transit rather than people who are using transit is wrong. Mr. Whitfield also suggested that the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority participate in NVTC meetings. He is also concerned that NVTC approved its Legislative Agenda before getting any public input. The proposal to increase the motor fuels tax is unjustified. NVTC did not ask for any performance improvements from WMATA. There need to be standards and performance measures.

Mr. Zimmerman stated that the suggestion that Metro riders are not paying enough is not correct. To his knowledge, there is no other transit system that has a higher fare box recovery. He does not disagree that those people who are benefitting from transit should help pay for the system, but non-transit people also benefit from
Metro (less congestion and higher real estate values). He agreed that a case can be made that only so much should be expected from the Toll Road users in funding the Silver Line.

Mr. Reid stated that the Metrorail fare on the Silver Line is capped at $5.75 and yet the potential toll for using the Toll Road is $7-8, so there are some who feel that the Metrorail fare should be increased closer to what Toll Road users are having to pay. Chairman McKay observed that most Metrorail riders also pay a significant parking fee ($4.50) at the station, which should be considered as part of their total fare.

Mrs. Hudgins stated that in regards to the eight-car trains, WMATA’s General Manager will not continue to pursue projects if there is no funding to implement them. She stated that it is also important to understand the purpose of transit and how everyone in the region benefits from it and not just the riders.

Mr. Snyder stated that he frequently travels outside of the U.S. and he has found that other countries invest far more into transportation infrastructure, especially transit. For the United States to remain competitive on the global stage, it will be important to look at funding issues for all modes of transportation.

Mrs. Hynes stated $1 billion is needed annually to maintain the region’s current transit services and to add any additional capacity would increase that by $1-2 billion annually. Everyone in the commonwealth, whether they use transit or not, should want the transit infrastructure to function at its very best because when it works well, the economic engine generates more dollars. There is no solution that simply comes out of the individual transit user’s pocket.

Mr. Reid asked staff to research how many jurisdictions in the United States that have urban mass transit have used toll road revenue for capital projects.

Chairman McKay closed the public hearing at 9:02 P.M.

Commissioners then discussed whether there should be changes to Goal #8 “Strengthening NVTC as an Organization” in light of a new executive director being hired. Chairman McKay observed that other areas of the Work Program could also be affected. Mr. Reid stated that he would like to see staff spend more time in oversight of WMATA and take a “watch dog role” especially over budget issues.

Mr. Fisette moved, with a second by Mrs. Hynes, to approve the Work Program and the Schedule, after removing items #2 and #3 under goal #8. The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Reid, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Approval of NVTC’s FY 2014 Administrative Budget

Mr. Taube stated that the commission is asked to approve the budget, which is the same budget that was reviewed in September. Local staff again reviewed it in
December. For FY 2014, NVTC staff is proposing a 1.6 percent increase in overall spending, with total expenditures of $1.213 million. He reminded the commission that the new executive director may wish to make changes to the budget. A new executive director should be hired before the fiscal year begins.

Mr. Fisette moved, with a second by Delegate Rust, to approve the FY 2014 budget. The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Reid, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Legislative Items

Mr. Taube reported that with the temporary resolution of the fiscal cliff, the federal government reauthorized the federal transit benefit and increased it to $245, which is the same as the parking benefit. It is retroactive to FY 2012.

Mr. Reid suggested NVTC include in its Legislative Agenda a more “apples to apples” comparison between the percentage the state has funded of the Dulles Silver Line (other than toll revenue) versus the Norfolk Light Rail project. Ms. Hynes observed that NVTC’s Legislative Agenda has already been mailed to General Assembly members. Mr. Reid stated that he would still like to see this information.

WMATA Items

Mrs. Hudgins encouraged commissioners to read the various reports from WMATA on its operations. She reported that WMATA has done a great deal of work preparing for Inauguration Day. The Customer Satisfaction Survey results, which are for the first quarter of FY 2013, include responses from 770 customers. Chairman McKay noted that Metrobus received an 84 percent satisfaction rate and Metrorail received an 80 percent satisfaction rate. Mrs. Hynes observed that the Blue/Yellow Line split is coming up. WMATA is working on providing bus bridges from Pentagon City to Rosslyn. There are real challenges on the Virginia side concerning this issue. There is no simple solution.

Regional Items

Vanpool Project Update. Mr. Taube reported that the vanpool project has begun initial start up work. The vanpool program advisory board (PAB) has been established and has been meeting regularly. A full-time vanpool program director has been hired. It is estimated that from now through March of 2013, the program will implement the marketing plan, develop the necessary software for ridematching and data collection, and sign up vanpools for program participation. If all of these actions are completed, the program could go live in April of 2013.
FY 2012 Northern Virginia Transit Performance. Mr. Taube reported that NVTC has a continuing role in assembling and reporting to the public annual performance data from each of the transit systems in Northern Virginia. Data show that total transit ridership remained relatively strong even though the federal transit benefit was reduced.

New Express Bus Service. Mrs. Bulova announced that the kick-off ceremony for the new Fairfax Connector bus service using the Express Lanes to Tysons will be held at 10:00 A.M. on January 12th at the Burke Centre VRE Station. This service opens up new commuting choices where VRE riders can get off at Burke Centre and take a bus to Tysons. Chairman McKay asked commissioners to help publicize this new service.

NVTC Financial Items for November, 2012

The financial reports were provided to commissioners and there were no questions.

Status of Executive Director Recruitment

Mr. Taube reported that the job announcement was posted on December 21, 2012 and NVTC's Search Committee has already received several applications, which are due January 25th. The applications are being kept confidential.

Closed Session

Chairman McKay moved, with a second by Delegate Rust, to convene a closed session, as authorized by Virginia Code section 2.2-3711.A.1, for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Reid, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

The commission entered into closed session at 9:23 P.M. and returned to open session at 9:51 P.M.

Chairman McKay moved, with a second by Mrs. Bulova, the following certification:

The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission certifies that at the just concluded Closed Session:

1. Only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Chapter 37, Title 2.2 of the Code of Virginia were discussed; and
2. Only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed or considered by the commission.

The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Reid, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman.

Mr. Fisette moved, with a second by Mr. Smedberg, to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding the compensation of the executive director. The vote in favor was cast by commissioners Bulova, Comstock, Cook, Dyke, Euille, Fisette, Foust, Hudgins, Hynes, McKay, Rust, Smedberg, Snyder and Zimmerman. Mr. Reid abstained.

Adjournment

Without objection, Chairman McKay adjourned the meeting at 9:52 P.M.

Approved this 7th day of March, 2013.

Jeffrey McKay
Chairman

David F. Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer
RESOLUTION #2205

SUBJECT: Approval of VRE's FY 2014 Operating and Capital Budget and Revisions to VRE's FY 2013 Budget.

WHEREAS: The VRE Master Agreement requires that the commissions be presented with a fiscal year budget for their consideration at their respective January meetings prior to the commencement of the subject fiscal year;

WHEREAS: The VRE Operations Board has recommended a FY 2014 Operating and Capital Budget within the guidelines developed in concert with the jurisdiction chief administrative officers; and

WHEREAS: The recommended budget is built on the assumption of average daily ridership of 20,100 and 32 trains.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission does hereby adopt the revised FY 2013 and recommended FY 2014 VRE Operating and Capital Budgets and authorizes staff to forward the FY 2014 budget to the local jurisdictions for inclusion in their budgets and appropriations in accordance with the VRE Master Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC hereby authorizes the Executive Directors of both PRTC and NVTC to submit to the Transportation Planning Board of the National Capital Region and to the Federal Transit Administration or other federal agencies, the appropriate Transit Improvement Program and grant applications for FY 2013 and FY 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC hereby authorizes the Executive Director of NVTC to submit to the Commonwealth the approved budget as part of the FY 2014 VRE state aid grant applications.

Approved this 3rd day of January, 2013.

Jeffrey McKay
Chairman

David Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer

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RESOLUTION #2206

SUBJECT: Extension of the Norfolk Southern Operating Access Agreement.

WHEREAS: The commissions currently have an Operating/Access Agreement with Norfolk Southern dated as of May 5, 2000, related to VRE operations in the Manassas to Washington, D.C. corridor;

WHEREAS: This agreement, following several extensions, will expire January 31, 2013;

WHEREAS: Staff has reached an agreement in principle on the majority of substantive items relating to a new agreement following detailed negotiation sessions with Norfolk Southern representatives;

WHEREAS: The VRE Operations Board recommends extending the existing new agreement to July 31, 2013 to allow time to conclude negotiations and finalize a new agreement; and

WHEREAS: Necessary funding has been incorporated into the FY 2013 and FY 2014 budgets to allow VRE to continue its operations over Norfolk Southern tracks via this contract extension.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission authorizes the VRE Chief Executive Officer to execute an extension of the existing May 5, 2000 Amended Operating/Access Agreement with Norfolk Southern to July 31, 2013.

Approved this 3rd day of January, 2013.

Jeffrey McKay
Chairman

David Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer
SUBJECT: Public Access Across the Rippon VRE Station.

WHEREAS: The Featherstone National Wildlife Refuge is adjacent to the Rippon VRE station;

WHEREAS: The commissions have been asked by Prince William County to permit public access across the Rippon VRE station to reach the refuge; and

WHEREAS: It is recommended by the VRE Operations Board that the commissions grant this access in return for Prince William County providing $2 million in liability insurance annually covering both the commissions and CSXT to cover claims arising out of the public access.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission approves the agreement with Prince William County recommended by the VRE Operations Board, permitting access across the Rippon VRE station for the purpose of accessing the Featherstone National Wildlife Refuge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that NVTC approves the agreement with CSX recommended by the VRE Operations Board, permitting access across the Rippon VRE station for the purpose of accessing the Featherstone National Wildlife Refuge.

Approved this 3rd day of January, 2013.

Jeffrey McKay
Chairman

David Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer
RESOLUTION #2208

SUBJECT: Selection of NVTC Representatives to Various Boards.

WHEREAS: NVTC is empowered to make appointments to the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, the Virginia Railway Express and the Virginia Transit Association; and

WHEREAS: Some of NVTC’s jurisdictions may not formally appoint their NVTC members prior to NVTC’s January meeting and some may not be ready with recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission hereby appoints the following persons to various boards, contingent upon possible subsequent action by NVTC’s jurisdictions to alter their NVTC members for 2013 and their recommendations for members of the various boards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the contingent appointments for 2013 are:

WMATA Board:

**Principals**
- Hon. Cathy Hudgins
- Hon. James Dyke

**Alternates**
- Hon. Mary Hynes
- Hon. Bill Euille

VRE Board:

**Principals**
- Hon. Sharon Bulova
- Hon. John Cook
- Hon. Chris Zimmerman
- Hon. Paul Smedberg

**Alternates**
- Hon. Jeff McKay
- Hon. Jay Fisette
- Hon. Tim Lovain

VTA Board:

**Principals**
- Hon. Chris Zimmerman
- Hon. Bill Euille

**Alternates**
- Hon. Mary Hynes
- Hon. Jeff McKay

Approved this 3rd day of January, 2013.

[Signature]

Jeffrey McKay
Chairman

David Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer
RESOLUTION #2209

SUBJECT: Designation of NVTC Signatories and Pension Trustees.

WHEREAS: The Honorable David Snyder has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of NVTC for 2013; and

WHEREAS: NVTC desires that the person holding the office of Secretary-Treasurer be designated as an official signatory as well as a pension trustee.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission hereby selects the following persons to serve as NVTC signatories (who are eligible to sign individually for any transaction of less than $5,000 and with one other signatory for transactions of $5,000 or greater):

Hon. David Snyder Secretary-Treasurer
Richard K. Taube Executive Director
Scott C. Kalkwarf Director of Finance and Administration

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the individuals listed above shall serve as NVTC employees' pension trustees, with the addition of NVTC's Assistant Financial Officer, Coletitia Quarles.

Approved this 3rd day of January, 2013.

Jeffrey McKay Chairman

David Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer
RESOLUTION #2210

SUBJECT: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Policy, Program and Goal.

WHEREAS: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires grant recipients to adopt a policy, program and goal for awarding contracts to certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE); and

WHEREAS: NVTC has relied on PRTC to adopt such policies, program and goals and file mandatory reports on behalf of NVTC (and VRE), but now FTA is requiring NVTC to adopt its own policy, program and goal.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission hereby authorizes its staff to publish immediately the proposed policy, program and goal of at least 10.3 percent of its federally funded contract value to be awarded to DBE’s for the three-year period of FY 2012-2014. Staff is also authorized to seek public comment prior to March 7, 2013 with the final proposed policy, program and goal, reflecting public comment, to be brought to NVTC for action on that date.

Approved this 3rd day of January, 2013.

Jeffrey McKay
Chairman

David Snyder
Secretary-Treasurer