

Transit Directors Withhold Approval Of UCSC Pact

Accusing UCSC of driving Yankee trader bargains, Santa Cruz Transit District directors Friday withheld approval of an agreement with the university because they thought it would have short-changed the bus system.

"If I know the university, they haven't lost a nickle on any contract they've ever made with the city, and I don't think we ought to present them with another rosette," declared Director Richard Werner.

Werner, as an example, brought up the agreement which causes Santa Cruz to pay the state Division of Forestry for protection of the upper portion of UCSC's campus. He called the arrangement "ridiculous."

The transportation agreement is a one-year pact that calls for the university to pay the bus district \$39,000 to transport students to and from the campus. Students would be issued passes which would allow them unlimited travel on the campus run, and on the district's other routes as well.

But the district would have to refund to the university all the non-student fare money it picks up on the campus run.

That refund clause stuck in the craw of several directors. They wanted the agreement changed so the district would keep the non-student fares. Or, suggested Director Dan Forbus, the pact should be altered to limit student rides to the campus run, cutting out free passage on the other routes.

A third suggestion was to up the university's \$39,000 payment by charging a flat 71 cents a mile for the campus run, which is geared to provide much more comprehensive service under the new plan.

Public Works Director Bill Fieberling thought maybe the directors were getting too much of an arch in their back. He said it might appear "too strong" to present an altered agreement to university officials, and the whole matter of the contract would be renegotiated.

Directors bought the suggestion and appointed a committee to meet with UCSC administrators to map out a new plan.

In other action, Forbus noted that Cabrillo College intends to spend \$4 to \$5 million in the not-distant future for additional parking facilities.

"It seems a shame," he continued, "when we're looking for riders."

"Part of this \$4 to \$5 million would buy a lot of bus runs and keep a lot of land from going under asphalt."

Forbus thought the college should be contacted on the possibility of using some of the parking funds to provide bus service to the campus.

Directors agreed to contact college administrators on the proposal.

Secretary Robert Scott reported the latest assessed valuation in the district is gauged at \$117,216,740. The district's 5-cent tax thus should yield some \$58,000 in the coming year, and the county will consider collecting it for the district at next Tuesday's supervisors meeting.

With a loss of \$30,000 in subsidies and higher operating expenses, Johnson indicated, the district still foresees a surplus of some \$5000 for the year.

Bill Swager, advertising contractor for the district, said local theaters, motels and restaurants have indicated a strong interest in night bus runs and may be willing to subsidize them.

He said he would submit a written report on the matter at the district's next meeting.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS No. 23218

Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Santa Cruz.
Estate of PETER A. ZETZ, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above-named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law office of CRIST, CRIST & GRIFFITHS, 531 Cowper Street, Palo Alto, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four (4) months after the first publication of this notice.

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