

MINUTES

Taxi Industry Board (TIB) Meeting

Wednesday 12 January 2011

20 Brown Street, East Perth

8.00am

Attendees: Barry MacKinnon – Chairman
Professor Greg Martin – Deputy Chairman
Tony Carter – Member
Bruce Morgan – Member
Stephen Scott – Member
Debbie Karasinski – Member
Peter Ryan – GM, PSBU
Rick Roberts, PSBU
Chris Fletcher, PSBU

Apologies: Dr Martin West – Member

- | Agenda Item | Issue / Discussion |
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| 1. | <p>Acceptance of Minutes of previous meeting (15 December 2010) and declarations of interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes accepted but Mr Morgan outlined that the MTFM had not been provided to the TIB as at the December meeting.• TIB members declared that they had met with Minister Buswell on 6 January 2011 at the Minister's request. |
| 2. | <p>Actions from Previous meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Chairman listed the actions from the previous meeting and Mr Ryan provided finalisation details or updates on the actions as was appropriate |
| 3. | <p>New Minister for Transport – Meeting of 6 January 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Chairman indicated that the TIB had met with the Minister on the date indicated and that the Minister had outlined the three aspects of the industry in which he wanted improvements. These were:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Availability- Quality of Service- Safety• The Chairman also acknowledged that the Minister had previously met with the TIBRG and the PSBU representatives. |
| 4. | <p>Regulatory Review Subcommittee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Chairman indicated that the dates for the |

interstate (and New Zealand) legs of the study tour were being firmed up and would occur in mid-late February 2011.

- The TIB then discussed the principles of the Regulatory Review relative to the paper produced by the participants in the international study tour.
- Mr Carter elaborated on this document and referred to specific findings in the European cities visited.
- After some general discussion around the paper the TIB members resolved to read the paper between meetings and further informed discussion could then occur in the February meeting.

5. **TIBRG**

- The TIB noted the correspondence relating to the TIBRG including an email to the Westralian Airports Corporation and the related Bell/Healy correspondence.
- The TIBRG Chairman outlined the issue of outstanding correspondence raised by members at the last TIBRG meeting. The Chairman of the TIB requested PSBU to rectify this matter.
- The TIB then discussed the last 12 months of the TIBRG meetings, particularly around focus of the group and attendance at meetings. After some discussion, the TIB resolved to discuss the TIBRG's role in 2011 at it's next meeting.

6. **MPT Subcommittee.**

- Ms Karasinski advised that she would spend a ½ day with an MPT driver on Friday 14 January.
- Ms Karasinski also indicated that there was some philosophical consideration of changing its transport regime by a major player in the disability service provider industry from its own arrangements to using taxis.
- The minutes of the last meeting of the subcommittee on 14 December were acknowledged and that it was intended that the subcommittee would report to the TIB/Minister by July 2011.
- It was acknowledged that any commitments/initiatives may rely on TIDA funding and the Chair/Deputy Chairman (TIDA subcommittee members) agreed to meet to discuss this matter between meetings.
- The TIB discussed the contracts for the MPT Coordinators and has resolved to recommend to the Minister that the contracts be extended for the next 12 months.
- The next meeting is scheduled for 8 February 2011.

7.

Competency Review Subcommittee

- Mr Scott outlined his draft Competency Review Subcommittee Terms of Reference (TOR's) document.
- Mr Fletcher from PSBU was brought in to the meeting at this stage to provide his expertise in the area of taxi driver training from PSBU's viewpoint.

8.
 - After discussing the status quo and the responsibilities of the major stakeholders in the taxi industry, the TIB resolved to draft a recommendation to the Minister after redrafting the TOR's and discussing the way going forward at a separate meeting.

Correspondence

9. **Out:**

- The TIB noted these documents

In:

- The TIB noted these documents.

10. **Ministerial Issues**

- The TIB noted the items with the Minister.
- The TIB requested copies of a number of the items to be sent to the Minister at his request.

Quarterly Performance Reports

11.
 - The TIB noted the correspondence and acknowledged that the Quarter 4 2010 performance report should be available at the next TIB meeting.

Items to Note

- The TIB noted the documents provided including the Minister's recent media releases.
- The Chairman acknowledged that the TIB's tenure was to expire, under the current TOR's, at the end of April 2011. He requested a TIB memo to the Minister be drafted outlining some options for future appointments of the TIB and the TIBRG.
- The Chairman was advised of some recent serious incidents in taxis and after some discussion, the members resolved to:
 - Request PSBU to raise this issue with the Minister
 - Place on the next RG agenda
 - Request PSBU to provide a paper on complaints handling procedures by TDS and the PSBU.
- The TIB discussed the timetable for current projects and resolved that provisional dates are as follows:
 - Regulatory Review – April 2011
 - MPT Subcommittee – July 2011
 - Driver Training Review – August 2011
- The TIB discussed the MTFM and particularly:
 - the increases in rank fees beyond the fare increase or CPI
 - The insertion of an additional column in the MTFM document on the website to reflect current \$ figure of the inflators.
- Messrs Morgan and Martin indicated that they would be apologies for the February TIB meeting.

12. **Next Meeting**

- The next meeting of the TIB will be 9 February 2011.
- Meeting closed 10.20am

