The Special Meeting of the Board of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority was held on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 3:17 PM, in the Board Room of the Authority, with the Chairman in the Chair.

Present

Attending the meeting were the following Board Members:

Pasquale T. Deon, Sr., Chairman
Thomas E. Babcock, Vice Chairman
Joseph E. Brion, Esquire (via telephone)
Michael A. Carroll, P.E.
Honorable Stewart J. Greenleaf (via telephone)
Kevin L. Johnson, P.E.
John I. Kane
Obra S. Kernodle, IV (via telephone)
Daniel J. Kubik (via telephone)
Honorable Kenneth Lawrence (via telephone)
William J. Leonard, Esquire
Honorable Charles H. Martin (via telephone)
Honorable Marcy Toepel (via telephone)

Present from the staff:

Jeffrey D. Knueppel - General Manager
Richard G. Burnfield - Deputy General Manager/Treasurer
Gino Benedetti, Esquire - General Counsel
Stephen A. Jobs - Controller
Carol R. Looby - Secretary
Stephanie Deiger - AGM, Employee Development Relations
Kim Scott Heinle - AGM, Customer Service
Francis E. Kelly - AGM, Government & Public Affairs
Robert L. Lund - AGM, Engineering, Maintenance & Construction
Scott A. Sauer - AGM, Operations

Mr. Deon called the Special Meeting of the Board to order. He confirmed that Skip Brion, Senator Greenleaf, Obra Kernodle, Danny Kubik, Commissioner Lawrence, Commissioner Martin and Representative Toepel were still participating by phone, with all participants acknowledging their presence.
Mr. Deon then asked Chad Cuneo to present the following Resolution,

"Memorandum of Agreement By and Between SEPTA and the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen (BRS)"

Mr. Cuneo stated that he was present to request the Board to approve the Memorandum of Agreement reached between the Authority and the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen, or BRS. He explained that the BRS represented approximately 90 railroad signal system maintainers and inspectors working in the Authority’s Regional Rail Division.

Mr. Cuneo stated that the BRS agreed and it became amendable on February 16, 2017 and the Authority had reached an agreement with the union on October 23, 2018 and the BRS membership ratified the agreement on November 9, 2018.

Mr. Cuneo concluded by stating that the agreement was for five years and was consistent with the pattern established by the TWU 234 agreement.

Mr. Deon then called for speakers wishing to address this agenda item. There was no response.

Mr. Deon then entertained a Motion to adopt the Resolution. Mr. Kane moved, Mr. Brion seconded, and the following Resolution was unanimously adopted.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN SEPTA AND THE BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROAD SIGNALMEN (BRS)

"WHEREAS, negotiations between representatives of SEPTA and the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen ("Union") resulted in a proposed Memorandum of Agreement which governs the terms and conditions of employment of the bargaining unit employees whom the Union represents; and

WHEREAS, SEPTA staff communicated to the Board the terms of the proposed Memorandum of Agreement and the terms are summarized within the pertinent staff summary; and

WHEREAS, the appropriate members of the Union have ratified the Memorandum of Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the General Manager recommended that the Board approve and ratify the proposed Memorandum of Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves and ratifies the proposed Memorandum of Agreement by and between SEPTA and the Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen which governs the terms and conditions of employment of the bargaining unit employees whom the Union represents.
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the General Manager or his designee and appropriate managers of SEPTA to take all necessary and proper action including, but not limited to, amending agreements with the providers of medical, prescription and dental benefits and life insurance, in order to implement the terms and conditions of the Memorandum of Agreement and to do all other acts necessary and proper to effectuate this Resolution."

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this Special Meeting, it was moved by Mr. Kane, seconded by Mr. Carroll and unanimously adopted that the meeting be adjourned at 3:18 PM.

A transcript of this meeting was made by an official court reporter and is made a part of the original Minutes.

Carol R. Looby
Secretary