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Guam Regional Transit Authority

Board of Directors Meeting

AGENDA

Wednesday, May 30, 2018 at 5:30PM

GRTA Conference Room (DPW Compound) Upper Tumon, Guam

I. Call to order – Chairwoman

II. Roll Call – Board of Directors

III. Approval of Minutes
April 17, 2018 Board meeting

IV. For Board Approval
A. NAF SOP
B. Travel - Mayor Louise Rivera

V. Old Business
None

VI. Budget Report (Myra Soriano)

VII. Bus Operations Report (Mark Crisostomo, TS)
A. Maintenance Status
B. Transit Facility status

VIII. Chief Planner Report (Rally Pilipina)
A. All Procurement project updates – GEDA/DISID/GRTA and M-1 Property, TMS One-Call One-Click.

IX. Program Coordinator IV Report (Pilar Carbullido)
A. Ridership Report – April, 2018
B. On-time performance – April, 2018
C. Ride denial average – April, 2018

X. New Business

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A. Focus Group Report
B. Form a Board Committee Group
C. Liberation Day transportation support

XI. Public Comments

XII. Executive Session

XIII. Adjournment

APPROVED BY:

5/30/18

LOUISE RIVERA
Chairperson

Date

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Vacant

MEETING MINUTES
Board of Directors scheduled Regular Board Meeting of Tuesday, April 17, 2018 at 3:00pm.

I. Call to Order:
Chairwoman Louise Rivera called the meeting to order at 3:00pm, at the GRTA Conference Room, 542 North Marine Corp Drive, Tamuning.

II. Roll Call:
GRTA Board members – Board Chairwoman Louise Rivera, Director Andrew Tydingco, Director David Arentz, and Director Frank Benavente were present. Not present – Vice Chair Gerard Cruz.

Also present were: Executive Manager Rick Agustin, Chief Planner Rally Pilipina, Program Coordinator IV Pilar Carbullido, Program Coordinator II Jackie Taitano, Planner II Brenda Atalig, and Board Secretary Penelope Gates.

A quorum was established.

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III. **Approval of Minutes**

March 20, 2018 – Director Andrew Tydingco moved to approve the minutes. Seconded and carried.

IV. **Executive Manager's Report (Rick Agustin)**

A. **GRTA Board of Directors** – Financial Disclosure submittal to GEC due April 20, 2018.

B. **GRTA Budget request** – Budget cut from $3,660,063 down to 3.2 Million Dollars. 11.7 percent decrease. 20 years ago, 1999 – ten vehicles; 2019 – 23 vehicles. Staff in 1999 – 20 employees; 2019 – ten employees. Budget for GMTA in 1999 – 3.4 Million Dollars. In 2019 – 3.2 Million Dollars. A $200,000 decrease.

C. **Planning new bus routes and scheduling**
This will commence June 2018. It will go through a Triple-A process. This will be effective October 1, 2018 for the next fiscal year.

D. **New increased bus fares**
New bus fares will take effect July 1, 2018.

E. **Privatizing GRTA**
Senator Tom Ada, former Transportation Committee Chair is revisiting the privatization of GRTA.

F. **Formal long term contract**
During the GRTA oversight hearing, Attorney General of Guam and GSA met to come up with a GRTA formal contract. The meeting went on at GSA on April 6, 2018 and the AG's and GSA will continue with the contract already in place, which is a Contract Purchase Order.

G. **DISID Resource Center Request for Proposal (RFP)**
A request for proposal advertised on April 5, 2018 for DISID Resource Center. Deadline for questions to be submitted by the offerors is May 4, 2018. Answers to the questions are due May 18, 2018. Pre-proposal conference is not set yet. Proposal is due from the offerors July 9, 2018. Anticipated execution of the RFP sublease will be November, 2018. GRTA must move forward on this because this particular grant under the VTCLI of One Million dollars was given to DISID and it will soon run out its course. FTA invested monies for this project.

H. **Issue with billing during the oversight**
Jackie, Brenda and Michelle, GRTA Planning team are working with Jessica, KEI billing department to streamline the billing process and are making good progress.

I. **Vehicle Maintenance IFB**
This was submitted in May, 2017 and has not been awarded. Meeting with GSA has twice been rescheduled. Next scheduled meeting with Mark

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Crisostomo, Transportation Supervisor and EM R. Agustin will be this Friday, April 20, 2018.

J. Newspaper article of a complaint from Curtis George
Curtis was complaining that his mother-in-law was denied a bus ride. Curtis is a Personal Care Attendant (PCA) for his mother-in-law or his father-in-law. He, like many riders and PCAs, should read the rider's guide to understand the situation of a ride denial.

K. Anonymous caller to Adelup, Governor's Office
GRTA will not entertain anonymous calls.

V. For Board Approvals
NAF SOP – to be discussed at the next board meeting, May 15, 2018.

VI. Old Business
None

VII. Budget Report (Myra Soriano, AO)

Please see March 20, 2018 budget report attached.

VIII. Bus Operations (Mark Crisostomo)

A. Safety inspections
Three more vehicles to be inspected tomorrow – 23 of 28 vehicles of the entire fleet completed on inspection to include administrative vehicles.

B. Recall kits (rail on the driver seat) for MV1 Vehicles
Fukuda Enterprises, Inc. will install recall kits (rail on the driver seat) in the MV1 vehicles. Four-hour process to install recall kits per vehicle.

C. Bus shelters repairs
Four benches at PIC Hotel, UOG fieldhouse and two in Hagatna terminal have been repaired.
Madam Chair Louise Rivera stated that the benches could be replaced with concrete benches instead. Different organizations are offering to donate concrete benches where needed.

IX. Chief Planner Report (Rally Pilipina)

A. All Procurement project updates – GEDA/DISID/GRTA and M-1 Property

1. Proposal for TMS Hardware and Software for One-Call One-Click
BBMR has already signed off on the contract based on available funds. Contract was reviewed and submitted to AG's Office in advance.

2. Procurement for minor and major repairs of all GRTA buses

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A week ago, Rally, Mark and Mr. Agustin met with the GSA Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Claudia Acfalle. GSA completed their review and very few corrective issues were identified. They will revise the specifications of the procurement. GRTA Mark and Mr. Agustin will meet with GSA and discuss how they will proceed with the procurement. Hopefully, they will finalize and submit for solicitation.

3. ***LED solar light system***
   Specifications are completed and GRTA has the authorization to proceed with the project by the Department of Interior. Rally spoke to DPW, they informed him to fill out the work order and to give DPW the authorization, and they will solicit for GRTA. As soon as grant funding is established at BBMR GRTA can proceed with this procurement. As per Mr. Agustin, Department of Interior gave GRTA $48,000 to provide 20 solar lights at each bus stops and shelters.
4. ***Bus specifications for 14-passenger buses***
   GRTA did an initial market research and very few dealerships can provide that type of bus. Rally drafted a specification for this type of bus and as soon as the specification is completed, the review committee will scrutinize and make corrections and send out for solicitation.
5. ***Lot No. 5109-R2***
   According to Department of Land Management, this piece of property is available and will be legislatively be transferred to GRTA. Once this is done, GRTA will hire a company to design a maintenance facility on that property. GRTA requested a worker order from DLM to complete a survey of the land and to provide a sketch and a letter of availability of that property to be transferred to GRTA and the Legislature; particularly Senator Tom Ada can draft a bill for the property to be transferred to GRTA. According to DLM, the price quotation for this project is ready and Rally will receive it to get started. As soon as a price is agreed, they will proceed right away.

X. <u>Program Coordinator IV Report (Pilar Carbullido)</u>

A. *Ridership Report* – February, 2018
Fixed Route – 10,726 riders
Paratransit – 3,954 riders
Total Ridership – 14,680

March, 2018
Fixed Route – 11,485
Paratransit – 4,369
Total Ridership – 15,854

B. *On*-Time performance
February, 2018
Number of on-time pickups – 48%

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Number of on-time drop-offs – 69%

C. ***Ride denial average***
February, 2018 – Total riders – 3954 - 2.71% ride denials
March, 2018 – Total riders – 4369 - 1.92% ride denials

(Please see ridership report attached)

XI. New Business

- **GRTA requesting to close office for lunch hour**

Madam Chair Louise Rivera stated to keep GRTA office open during lunch. GRTA can close for special occasions only. Put up a sign ahead of time and detail of the occasion.

- **Incentive for free bus fares by Mayors Council to constituents to assist GRTA**

Madam Chair Louise Rivera will bring it up to the Mayors Council. She stated this is a great idea.

- **Old bus transportation issue**

Madam Chair Louise Rivera reported that someone requested to be transported with a new bus and not the old bus due to several issues. How can GRTA do away with old buses? Brad Kloppenburg, Vice President of Operations (VPO) stated that they hired a company to run a test on two of their buses for fumes and in both instances there were zero traces of carbon monoxide. The buses are safe to operate. It is a personal preference for some riders to ride the newer models.

XII. Public Comment

Marlon Molino

- Committee met with KEI 3/22/18 to discuss riders' concerns regarding paratransit issues. He also met with GCC Social class students who are doing a project on the transit system.
- Riders Guide – 10 minute window. Mr. Agustin explains this. This will be discussed with GRTA staff.
- Phone system
- Focus group will complete their mission May 31, 2018.

Ginger Porter – complaining about GRTA use of office and transit vehicles. She asked the Board to take disciplinary action against Executive Manager.

XIII. Executive Session

GRTA Chairwoman called recess at 4:40pm.

XIV. Adjournment

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GRTA Board Chairwoman reconvened the meeting at 5:29pm. GRTA Board of Director Andrew Tydingco moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:29pm. Seconded and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Penni Gates

GRTA Board Secretary

APRIL 2018 ON-TIME PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

	Day	No. of PICK-UP On-Time	Percentage	No. of DROP-OFF On-Time	Percentage	Total No. of Rides Serviced
1	2	79	60%	110	83%	132
2	3	93	69%	100	75%	134
3	4	76	54%	112	80%	140
4	5	85	59%	112	78%	144
5	6	64	50%	104	82%	127
6	7	43	49%	71	82%	87
7	8	63	48%	100	77%	130
8	9	78	52%	121	80%	151
9	10	79	53%	121	81%	149
10	11	67	50%	103	76%	135
11	12	75	51%	114	78%	146
12	13	54	53%	80	78%	102
13	14	79	51%	123	80%	154
14	15	74	56%	104	79%	131
15	16	78	49%	128	81%	159
16	17	66	51%	114	88%	130
17	18	61	47%	108	83%	130
18	19	53	60%	73	82%	89
19	20	68	54%	96	76%	126
20	21	73	54%	114	84%	135
21	22	98	67%	114	78%	147
22	23	77	63%	105	86%	122
23	24	61	47%	110	85%	129
24	25	54	57%	73	77%	95
25	26	89	66%	111	82%	135
Sub-Total	30	1787	1370%	2621	2011%	3259
	30	59.56666667	46%	87.36666667	67%	108.6333333
Average Grand Total	Days	On-Time PICK-UPS	On-Time PICK-UPS	On-Time DROP OFFS	On-Time DROP OFFS	No. of rides average per day

RIDERSHIP REPORT

APRIL 2018

Fixed Route	10,916	
Paratransit	3,851	
Total Ridership	14,767	
Total Bus Operations Hours	6,199	(Fixed: 4,152 Paratransit: 2,047)
Total Bus Operations Cost	$ 242,462.49	(Fixed: $135,330.86 Paratransit: $107,131.63
Total # of Days Operation	25	
Active Paratransit Riders	422	(99 Dialysis patients, 68 Unconditional, 354 Conditional)
Paratransit Applicants	12	

March 2018

Fixed Route	11,485	
Paratransit	4,369	
Total Ridership	15,854	
Total Bus Operations Hours	4,433	Fix: 2,260.50, Para: 2,172
Total Bus Operations Cost	$ 266,343.81	Fix: $142,511.27, Paratransit: $113,832.54
Total # of Days Operation	24	
Active Paratransit Riders	433	(98 Dialysis patients, 73 Unconditional, 360 Conditional)
Paratransit Applicants	12	

RIDE DENIAL MONTHLY REPORT

FY 2018

MONTH	YEAR	DENIED #	TOTAL RIDERS	%
October	2017	103	4,715	2.18%
November	2017	62	3,871	1.60%
December	2017	64	4,057	1.58%
January	2018	80	4,013	1.99%
February	2018	107	3,954	2.71%
March	2018	84	4,369	1.92%
April	2018	47	3,851	1.22%
May	2018			
June	2018			
July	2018			
August	2018			
September	2018			
YTD Sub-Total		547	28,830	13.21%
Monthly Average to date	1.887%			

FY 2017				
MONTH	YEAR	DENIED #	TOTAL RIDERS	%
October	2017	42	3992	1.05%
November	2017	30	3809	0.79%
December	2017	29	4098	0.71%
January	2018	11	4010	0.27%
February	2018	5	4517	0.11%
March	2018	36	5134	0.70%
April	2018	47	4784	0.98%
May	2018	14	5343	0.26%
June	2018	7	5194	0.13%
July	2018	8	4867	0.16%
August	2018	26	5263	0.49%
September	2018	60	4887	1.23%
Total for FY:		315	55898	6.90%
Monthly Average to date	0.575%			

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Tuesday May 30, 2018 5:30pm
GRTA OFFICE (DPW Compound)

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Name	**Sign**	**Phone No.**	**Topic of Discussion**

FY18 APPROVED GRTA BUDGET
P.L. 34-42

GUAM REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY
(Budget Report)

LOCAL FUNDS - GUAM HIGHWAY FUND (GHF) - $3,211,082
(TOTAL: $3,663,958) PUBLIC TRANSIT FUND (PTF) - $455,481

	Object Class	FY17 Budget	Less 15% Reserve	Total Available Budget
111	Salaries	445,304	(66,796)	378,508
113	Benefits	164,523	(24,678)	139,845
220	Travel	-	-	-
230	Contractual (GHF)	2,283,355	(342,503)	1,940,852
230	Contractual (PTF)	455,481	(68,322)	387,159
233	Office Rental	-	-	-
240	Supplies (Incld. Fuel)	300,000	(45,000)	255,000
290	Misc.	11,400	(1,710)	9,690
361	Power	-	-	-
362	Water	-	-	-
363	Telephone	6,500	(975)	5,525
450	Capital Outlay	-	-	-
	TOTAL	3,666,563	(549,984)	3,116,579

Fiscal Restraint

TOTAL 230:	
$	2,328,011

Other Misc. Contractual (230):		
Legal Services	-	75k
Xerox Copier/Printer	10,000	
Internet	1,000	
Drinking Water Delivery	500	
Print Advertisement Srvcs.	5,000	
Office AC Repairs Maint. Srvcs.	5,000	
Printing Services (Bus Fares, Brochures, Schedules - new bus fares tickets)	20,000	
Website Maintenance Services	7,200	
Trash Collection (GRTA office)	2,500	
Grounds Maint. Svcs	12,000	
Preventive & Repairs Maintenance, DPW	100,000	MOU
Wrecker Services	2,000	
New Tires Replacement/MV1	6,000	
New Tires Replacement/ARBOC	6,000	
Tire Repair Services	3,000	
VEHICLE REPAIRS AND MAINT. (QUICK FIX)	24,999	
Supplemental for TMS (RouteMatch Contract)	56,032	
Misc. Subscription & Other Services	9,552	
TOTAL MISC. 230:	270,783	

TOTAL APPROP. FOR BUS OPERATION, LOCAL:	2,328,011	GHF/PTF
Less: Misc. Contractual	(270,783)	
Total funding for Bus Op.	2,057,228	Local
Less: FY18 Est. Bus Op + Fuel	(3,500,000)	
Shortfall from Local Funds	(1,442,772)	
Less: Current Avail Fed. Funds	814,314	
Projected Shortfall, FY18 $	(628,458)	This Amount Excludes Contractor's Owned Vehicles & Undetermined Fuel Cost. Projection was based on Govt. Owned Veh. Only.

AVAILABLE FEDERAL FUNDS FOR BUS OPERATION, FY18

FY16 Cont. Grant	2,482
FY17-001 Cont. Grant	36,095
FY17-002 Cont. Grant	775,737
Total	814,314

MISC. GRANTS:

Partial Design GRTA Maint.	237,500	(A & E)
Doplhin Grantee-GRTA CAT G	18,790	Public Assistance Grant
One Call/One Click Grant	1,127,817	$142,000 Used for TMS
FTA FY17 Bus Procurement	1,083,562	($583,562 + $500k)
Total (Other Misc. Grant)	2,467,669	

FTA FEDERAL FUNDS AVAILABLE CARRIED OVER FOR FY18:		PROPOSED OPTION TO ADDRESS SHORTFALL:	
FY16 - FTA	2,482	FY18 Projected Shortfall	(628,458)
FY17 - 001 FTA	36,095	To Request Release of Reserve	549,984
FY17 - 002 FTA	775,737	PROJECTED OVERALL SHORTFALL =	($ 78,474)
	814,314		

	FY18 BUS MONTHLY OPERATION EXPENSES	COST	FUEL EXPENSES	TOTAL MONTHLY COST (Bus Srvcs + Fuel)	BREAKDOWN: GRTA EQUIPMENT	CONTRACTOR EQUIPT	TOTAL	BUS FARES COLLECTION: KEI	TOG & Others	Grand Total Bus Fares
October	15 hrs/day, 6 (Fixed), 6 (Para)	272,412.25	12,554.43	284,966.68	100,034.32	172,377.93	272,412.25	8,310.50	390.20	8,700.70
November	15 hrs/day, 6 (Fixed), 6 (Para)	192,574.69	7,673.61	200,248.30	68,013.69	124,561.00	192,574.69	3,788.60	463.75	4,252.35
December	15 hrs/day, 6 (Fixed), 6 (Para)	223,322.26	12,946.54	236,268.80	104,400.58	118,921.68	223,322.26	5,011.74	556.25	5,567.99
January	15 hrs/day, 6 (Fixed), 6 (Para)	242,519.69	19,238.95	261,758.64	144,284.23	98,235.46	242,519.69	6,097.77	191.00	6,288.77
February	15 hrs/day, 6 (Fixed), 6 (Para)	226,249.14	21,376.85	247,625.99	148,308.92	77,940.22	226,249.14	5,993.64	344.10	6,337.74
March	15 hrs/day, 6 (Fixed), 6 (Para)	256,343.82	23,667.56	280,011.38	159,600.41	96,743.41	256,343.82	7,358.63	300.00	7,658.63
April	15 hrs/day, 6 (Fixed), 6 (Para)	242,462.49	20,733.33	263,195.82	144,202.50	98,259.99	242,462.49	7,310.62	254.35	7,564.97
May										
June										
July										
August										
September										
	CURRENT TOTAL:	1,655,884.34								
	PLUS: FUEL COST	118,191.27								
	(OCT - APRIL COST) SUB-TOTAL:	1,774,075.61								
	PROJECTED COST FOR BUS OP, MAY - SEPTEMBER	135,000.00								
	PROJECTED COST FOR FUEL, APRIL - SEPTEMBER:	150,000.00								
	TOTAL PROJ. BUS OPERATION COST, FY18	$ 2,059,075.61	$ 118,191.27	$ 1,774,075.61	$ 868,844.65	$ 787,039.69	$ 1,655,884.34	43,871.50	2,499.65	46,371.15

BREAKDOWN OF HOURLY RATE:

GOVERNMENT OWNED VEHICLE:	CONTRACTOR'S OWNED VEHICLE:
(EXCLUDING FUEL/MAINTENANCE)	(INCLUSIVE OF FUEL/MAINTENANCE)
FIXED ROUTE: $50.93	$ 73.33
PARATRANSIT: $51.42	$ 73.74

PROJECTED MONTHLY BUS OPERATION COST:

PROJECTED MONTHLY OP COST = $270,000 (Average)
PROJECTED MONTHLY FUEL COST = $ 30,000
PROJECTED MONTHLY TOTAL COST = $300,000
(If full blast operation)

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CURRENT AVAIL. FEDERAL FUNDS: AS OF 05/15/18

Description	Grant Award No.	AS400 A/C No. & Object Class	Balance	230: Funding for Bus Op.	Expiration Date
FY16 FTA Continuing Grant	GU18X03100	5101E169977PT101-230		2,482	11/30/2018
Orig. Approp.	$1,136,189	111/113/220/240/250	-		
FY17 FTA Continuing Grant	GU-2017-001-00	5101E179977PT101-230		36,095	9/30/2019
	(1st Batch, for FY16)	111/113/220/240/250	44,506		
Orig. Approp.	$1,615,066				
FY17 FTA Continuing Grant	GU-2017-002-00	5101H179977PT102-230		775,737	9/30/2020
	(2nd Batch, for FY17)	Supplemental for TMS - OCOC - 250	104,247		
Orig. Approp.	$1,417,486	111/113	37,502		
		Total	141,749		
		Grand Total Current Balance:	186,255	814,314	

SPECIAL FEDERAL GRANTS:

FOR IFB - PROCUREMENT OF BUSES:		Orig. Approp. :	Current Balance:		
From FY17 FTA Continuing Grant (Additional)	GU-2017-001-00	5101E179977PT101-450 $583,562	583,562		9/30/2019
From FY17 FTA Continuing Grant (Additional)	GU-2017-002-00	5101H179977PT102-450 $500,000	500,000		9/30/2019
		TOTAL: $1,083,562 For Bus Proc.	1,083,562		
Partial Design GRTA Maint. Facility	GU-04-0003-00	5101H139977PA104-230	237,500		9/30/2018
Dolphin Grantee, Public Assitance Grant	PA09GU4224PW00013	5101H169977TD411290	18,790		
One-Call/One-Click Federal Grant	GU-04-0004-00	5101H129977PT106: Funding for Construction of DISID Bldg.	1,000,000		9/30/2018
		5101H129977PT105: (Orig. Approp. - $305,000) Funding for proposed GRTA's One-Call/One-Click Center and Software	127,817	142k used to fund TMS	
		Total Current Balance:	1,127,817		

GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

The deadline for submission for this free service is noon two business days prior to publication.

New listings

» Civil Service Commission Board meeting at 5:45 p.m. May 1 in their Conference Room located in Bell Tower Suite 201, 710 West Marine Corps Drive, Hagåtña.

» The Committee on Innovation and Economic, Workforce, and Youth Development will be conducting a Confirmation Hearing beginning at 9 a.m. May 3 in the Public Hearing Room of I Liheslaturan Guåhan, Guam Congress Building, 163 Chalan Santo Papa Street, Hagåtña.

» The Committee on Environment, Lands, Agriculture, and Procurement Reform will be conducting a public hearing on at 4 p.m. May 3 in I Liheslaturan Guahan, Public Hearing Room.

» The GCC Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for noon May 9 in the President's Conference Room, Building 2000, GCC campus.

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» The Commission on Decolonization's regular meeting will be held at 3 p.m. May 1 in the Cabinet large room at the Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex. For special accommodations contact Amanda Blas at 475-9545.

» The Committee on Education, Finance, and Taxation will be conducting a WICHE Informational Briefing beginning at 5 p.m. May 1 in I Liheslaturan Guåhan's Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building, Hagåtña.

» The Committee on Education, Finance, and Taxation will convene a public hearing beginning at 1 p.m. May 2 in I Liheslaturan Guåhan's Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building, Hagåtña.

» The Committee on Education, Finance, and Taxation will be conducting a GDOE Oversight Hearing beginning 5 p.m. May 2 in I Liheslaturan Guåhan's Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building, Hagåtña.

» The Kumisión i Fino' CHamoru yan i Fina'nå'gueh i Historia yan i Lina'la' Taotao Tåno' (Commission on CHamoru Language and the Teaching of History and Culture of the Indigenous People of Guam) will hold its monthly meetings from 12:30 to 3 p.m. May 3 and 17 at the Department of Parks and Recreation Conference Room in Hagåtña. There will be Work Sessions from 12:30 to 3 p.m. May 10 and 24 at the Department of Parks and Recreation Conference Room in Hagåtña. For further information call Chair Hope Alvarez Cristobal at 483-0097 or Secretary Rosa Salas Palomo at 727-5522.

» The Chamorro Land Trust Commission Board Meeting will be held at 1 p.m. May 3 at the Department of Land Management Conference Room, third floor of the ITC Building, Tamuning. For special accommodations call 649-5263 ext. 617 or email Ruth.Sakuma@land.guam.gov.

» The Committee on Education, Finance, and Taxation will convene a public hearing beginning at 2 p.m. May 8 in I Liheslaturan Guåhan's public hearing room Guam Congress Building, Hagåtña.

» Guam Public Library System Regular Board Meeting at 4 p.m. May 8 at the Guam Public Library System Dededo Branch Library. For special accommodations call 300-9296 or 475-4754.

» The Committee on Education, Finance, and Taxation rescheduled its it's 4th Tax Commission meeting to 5 p.m. May 8, in I Liheslaturan Guåhan's Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building, Hagåtña.

» Guam Regional Transit Authority regular board meeting scheduled for 3 p.m. May 15 at the GRTA Office located at Department of Public Works Compound, Marine Corps Drive, Tamuning. Paratransit riders make your reservation at least one day prior to your scheduled pick up time. For more information call Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. at 6477433/34/35. For special accommodations contact Mark Crisostomo at 688-7105.

» The Committee on Education, Finance, and Taxation will convene a round table discussion with the GAC Charter School Council beginning at 5:30 p.m. May 16 in I Liheslaturan Guåhan's Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building, Hagåtña.

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No need to go against that principle during The Star-Spangled Banner.

To allow teams to exercise their own anthem policies would be akin to pouring gas on a fire – kind of like Donald Trump did last September while spewing red meat rhetoric to his supporters during a rally in Alabama, "Get that son of a bitch off the field right now," as his grand solution.

Before Trump's declaration, you could probably count the number of protesting players across the league on one hand.

No, now is not the time for an iron-clad policy forcing players to stand for the anthem.

It's the time to acknowledge some truths, like we're all part of the American melting pot.

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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT
Board of Directors Meeting

The Guam Regional Transit Authority (GRTA) announces there will be a regular board meeting re-scheduled for **5:30PM, Wednesday, May 30, 2018.** The meeting will be held at the GRTA Office located at Department of Public Works Compound, Marine Corps Drive, Tamuning, Guam.

Paratransit riders please make your reservation at least one (1) day prior to your scheduled pick up time. For more information **call Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. at 647-**