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## Meeting of Jan. 11, 2010

### OCTA Selects New Leadership, Welcomes Board Member



The board unanimously selected Jerry Amante as the new chairman of the board of directors.

Amante replaces outgoing Chairman Peter Buffa, who continues to serve on the board as one of two public members.

Amante joined the OCTA board in December 2006 and has contributed significantly as a member of several key OCTA committees: Finance and Administration Committee, Highways Committee, Transportation 2020 Committee, Executive Committee and the State Route 91 Advisory Committee.



County Supervisor Pat Bates, the new vice chair, joined the board in 2007. In addition to serving on the OCTA board of directors and the board of supervisors, Bates sits on the board of both the Foothill/Eastern and San Joaquin Hills Transportation Corridor Agencies.



Huntington Beach Councilman Don Hansen is the newest member of the board, replacing outgoing member Cathy Green.

Hansen has hosted forums throughout the city on issues ranging from traffic safety, local retail center improvements and the preservation of local youth sports fields.

### LOSSAN Corridor Improvements Under Way

As a participating agency in the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Joint Powers Authority, OCTA has entered into an agreement to improve commuter and intercity rail services between San Diego, Orange County and Los Angeles.

Three passenger rail services, Amtrak, Metrolink and Coaster, currently operate on the LOSSAN corridor, and have varying services, station stops, schedules and fares- causing confusion for passengers.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Jerry Amante  
*Chairman*

Patricia Bates  
*Vice Chairman*

Peter Buffa  
*Director*

Art Brown  
*Director*

Bill Campbell  
*Director*

Carolyn V. Cavecche  
*Director*

William J. Dalton  
*Director*

Richard Dixon  
*Director*

Paul G. Glaab  
*Director*

Don Hansen  
*Director*

Allan Mansoor  
*Director*

John Moorlach  
*Director*

Janet Nguyen  
*Director*

Chris Norby  
*Director*

Curt Pringle  
*Director*

Miguel Pulido  
*Director*

Gregory T. Winterbottom  
*Director*

Cindy Quon  
*Governor's Ex-Officio Member*

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Will Kempton  
*Chief Executive Officer*



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The plan calls for modifications in service in underserved areas and integration of all three rail services.

The LOSSAN rail corridor, which runs through six counties, is the second busiest intercity rail system in the country with 41 stations.

The goal of this agreement is to integrate the three systems, improve the experience for customers and increase ridership.

### **Committee Meetings Reduced To Save Money And Increase Efficiency**

OCTA will reduce the number of committee meetings to 70 per year from the previously scheduled 120 per year to improve internal efficiency and encourage greater public participation.

Meeting 50 fewer times a year will lead to increased productivity and result in a soft cost savings in staff time associated with planning and attending meetings.

In the past, public meetings were scheduled on more than half of all business days each month. This change will reduce the number to less than one-third of the business days each month.

### **91 Express Lanes Survey Shows Increased Customer Satisfaction**

In a 2009 survey released today, 87 percent of 91 Express Lanes users reported being satisfied with the service, an increase of 6 percentage points compared to a 2007 survey. Convenience was the top reason customers approved of the toll lanes.



Toll road fees were reported as a customer concern. Toll prices are based on traffic volumes, which are monitored daily and adjusted quarterly. On Jan. 1, tolls were reduced on two time slots in the eastbound direction.

Suggested improvements included incorporating real-time traffic coverage and increasing e-mail communications.