

## **Meeting of January 22, 2024**

### **Board Honors January Employees of the Month**

The Orange County Transportation Authority board recognized three employees of the month for January.

The honors went to:

- Quang Tran, a coach operator at the Santa Ana base who started at OCTA in 2002. His customer service is outstanding, and he achieved an incredible 20 years of driving last summer. Quang is recognized for providing safe, courteous and reliable bus service for OCTA customers.
- Patricia McLure, an electronic technician who joined OCTA in 2016 as a warranty coordinator. In her current role as senior warranty coordinator at the Santa Ana base, she negotiates warranty claims and is responsible for recovering and securing warranty payments. In the last year, Patricia helped recover \$2 million in warranty claims and assisted in resolving more than 400 warranty repairs.
- Dennis Mak, who joined OCTA in 2012 and serves as the program manager for the I-405 Improvement Project. Dennis played a key role in helping the project team meet the Dec. 1 opening date for the largest project ever undertaken by OCTA. Throughout the project, Dennis did an outstanding job coordinating with the corridor cities and his determination to meet project commitments contributed greatly to its successful opening.

### **Board Members Appointed to External Agencies**

The OCTA board approved the appointment of board members to serve on external committees and agencies for 2024 to represent OCTA's interests in transportation.

OCTA is governed by an 18-member board of directors comprised of 10 city members elected by the Orange County City Selection Committee, all five Orange County Board of Supervisors, two public members, and the Caltrans District Director serving in an ex-officio capacity.

OCTA board members were assigned to a total of six regional agencies:

- California Association of Councils of Governments
  - Patrick Harper
- Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency
  - Fred Jung
  - Katrina Foley
  - Al Murray, Alternate
  - Vacant, Alternate
- Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee
  - Patrick Harper

- Orange County Council of Governments
  - Ashleigh Aitken
  
- Southern California Association of Governments' Regional Council
  - Ashleigh Aitken
  
- Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink)
  - Doug Chaffee
  - Tam T. Nguyen
  - Jon Dumitru (Alternate)
  - Mark A. Murphy (Alternate)