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PCJPB Administración
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Re: Just Another Ho-Hum Sleepy African SamTrans Bus driver. 07/15/24: 11 PM, Driver ID 9198
 Bus 482

08/05/24 AM 11:36 EKEG

PCJPB Administrators:

SamTrans has rolled through a seven-million-dollar profit not due to due your diligence, but due to US federal money. However, when this US vet gets on a SamTrans, he may think he is in a foreign country.

I have stated: I stopped writing letters to the SamTrans-the public utility-while handicapped-since I was kicked/pushed off of Caltrans. However, not only was I writing to the wrong Board, the assaults and discriminatory behavior by your African drivers and conductors continues. African bus drivers and passengers are still harassing Caucasian bus passengers in San Mateo County; I am only one of them.

From a bus top south of the San Bruno BART, I was waiting for SamTrans in the cold wind. The No. 482 bus stopped on its way to the Hillsdale Maul. I jumped on, out of the cold, and sat down. Then, I realized the SamTrans air condition was on and all the windows were open. So, I stood up and closed the two above me on my side. However, this action brings the bus to a halt where there is no bus stop, in the middle of the road. The SamTrans bus hit the brakes. For this SamTrans bus driver, it is business as usual.

Immediately, the African male SamTrans bus driver gets out of his seat and opens, these two windows, I just closed. A Caucasian woman behind me says, "I'm freezing." I yell to the driver, "You got the air conditioner on and all the windows open." I ask, "Are you falling asleep at the wheel?" But this SamTrans driver rolls on as if he is the bus owner. There is no answer, or an attempt to answer.

Passenger discomfort means absolutely nothing to this bus driver or SamTrans, because PCJPB CEOs don't ride SamTrans. Nor does your Board Public Advocate.

"They an't going to do notting." Quote from a Caltrans Worker.

Sincerely,

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CC: Board of Supervisors,
 Warren Slocum.
 State Transportation Committee

From: emil lawrence <emil.savin.lawrence@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, August 5, 2024 7:43 PM

To: Board (@caltrain.com) <board@caltrain.com>; TitleVI <TitleVI@caltrain.com>

Subject: Fear and Loathing Riding SamTrans: You can Be Murdered

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Re: July 3rd, 2024: 9:30 Am/Sneath and Avalon/ECR/Assault/Battery/Stabbing/Attempted Murder near the San Bruno BART and Police Station. You can get the rest of these details from your own bus video.

CEO/Directors/Title Six Investigators:

It is not often that I get to write this board about the multiple racial and ethnic problems it has on its trains and buses. Your case for denial has run its course. Supervisor Ray Mueller did not ride SamTrans or Caltrans long enough. If he rode this system-for a year-under the present board administration-maybe, just maybe-he could get punched, assaulted and stabbed, while hitched. Maybe he would get a week-at Zuckerberg General Hospital-or longer-to ponder the problem. Caltrans still does not check everyone for tickets, and SamTrans still has African criminals creating mayhem on board. The letters I sent this board over the last three years-including this one-is my case. In the past four months your ineptitude could not even supply Reddyswheels for one that needed it. I sent in forms, called them, and five months-later-nothing at all.

Due to your plain incompetence, administrative corruption and lack of public suitability, this board even lacks a vision on how it would make a real profit, and not one takes in federal deficit payments. The USA is flat broke. The federal deficit is now over 35 trillion dollars, and the deficit cap has been over ridden 90 times. All your profit plans still rely on federal payments.

The Murder Attempt of a SamTrans Passenger

On July 3rd, I picked up the ECR at San Carlos. I got on with my transfer, and tried to sit down in the six front row senior seats. However, there was an African on the west side of the bus-screaming-"these seats are mine." On the east side of the bus, two of the senior seats were taken by his wheelchair that he was not using. So, I flipped down the one remaining seat, and sat down. I was heading to the San Bruno BART Station, to catch the 141 to Skyline College. It is about an hour ride, so I thought I would catch a short snooze. Generally, when the squawk boxes are not working, or constantly blasting us as if we are on a prison ride, I sleep easily. However, the African with his foot out over two of the seats on his side, keeps screaming, "These are my seats. Why are you stopping the F..... bus? And, he is pointing all over the place and towards me. And, then he repeats himself over and over. I ignore him.

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At Sneath and Avalon, he leans over and grabs my Trader Joe's green canvas lunch bag and computer. He tells me, "These are my things, get off the bus-white nigger, these are mine, now." I get wide awake and stand-up. I tell him, "Look, give me my stuff back." But, he screams, "F... you whitey, these are mine, get off the bus." There is a bus pole between us, so he starts swinging and hitting me with the bags. I grab my canvas bag out of his hands, and then he uses this left to punch me in the face. So, I fist up my right hand and hit him several times on the left side of his face. However, he is sitting down and ducking his head into his lap. My blows are connecting with his thick skull and left ear. Then, he pulls a knife or sharp scissors. I see about four inches inside a white cloth, in his left hand. He goes for my neck or face with the knife, but knowing some Jiu-Jitsu, I deflect the knife with my right wrist. That is my first cut. There is blood.

I look at my cut, and then yell to the SamTrans bus driver, "He has a knife." As she stops the bus and gets out leaving it running, he stabs me in the stomach, twice. I'm now bleeding from three wounds.

Passengers are exiting as I escape too. The African now gets up and jumps into the bus driver's seat, to control the bus. The SamTrans bus driver is using her phone and calling the police, but her back is facing her bus. She cannot see what is happening. So, I yell to her, "He is attempting to driver your bus." The African's bad luck, we were only one block from the San Bruno Police Station. The African pulls the bus out of the lane and smashes into a police car. They jump out and point the weapons at him. And, I assume they are going to have him "Make their day." I end up at Zuckerberg General Hospital for a week.

The PCJPB's denial of all my past letters and complaints caused this assault, battery and attempt at murder. As PCJPB Directors you sit in your fat chairs giving the public two minutes of your time. You have a PR department that does nothing to resolve problems with your drivers and passengers. Yet, all of you pretend to be directors, when you have shown that when it comes to the human condition as a transportation unit, you have been failing in your task as directors for the past three years.

When it comes to transportation issues you pretend with the financial algorithms that go with the job, which is: Get the fed to pay for your deficits.

By reading the papers, many people feel that the PCJPB tries to cover up real facts with the social application of transportation minutiae. A SamTrans bus ran over a woman six weeks ago. The PCJPB cut the news short. I tried to call in my assault aboard a Caltrans passenger car, and your phone jockey did not ask for my name or phone number.

Last month, I took a SamTrans near SFO. The African driver had all the windows open and the air conditioner on. I tried to close some windows and this bus driver would stop the bus-where ever-and re-open them. Directors, this is your system...

Sincerely,
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