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CEO Roger Snoble, center, and other Metro officials met Tuesday morning with the APTA peer review panel. From left are Greg Hull of APTA, Richard N. Winston of Chicago Transit, Matthew Tucker of Santa Clara Valley Transportation, Metro Rail Chief Gerald Francis, Deputy Chief Jeri Lee of WMATA, Metro Transit Operations EO Carolyn Flowers, Willie McCuller of St. Louis Metro and Scott Schroeder of BART.



Photo by Bill Heard

## APTA Panel Convenes to Review Metro's Security Program

(May 16, 2006) Six members of a peer review panel formed by the American Public Transportation Association at the request of Metro met Tuesday morning with CEO Roger Snoble to kick off a three-day study of the agency's security program.

The panel will take a look at how security is provided throughout the Metro system by the Sheriff's Transit Services Bureau and Metro Security, as well as assessing costs and other elements of the program.

"We want a fresh, comprehensive, knowledgeable look at all aspects of our security detail to help us strengthen it and make it more cost-effective," Snoble told the group.

The CEO was complimentary of the security currently being provided by the Transit Services Bureau and Metro Security. "People generally view our system as being safe, but when you look at the cost, it's extremely high."

Panel leader Greg Hull, APTA's director of operations, safety and security programs, said the group will "support you in what you're trying to achieve, and that is to find the best direction in providing security to your riding public and to your employees."

The peer review panel will deliver a preliminary report, Friday, during a meeting with Snoble.

In addition to Hull, members of the peer review panel are Richard N. Winston, executive vice president, Chicago Transit Authority; Scott L. Schroeder, controller-treasurer, San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District; Matthew Tucker, chief operating officer, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority; Willie McCuller, director of security and fare enforcement, St. Louis Metro; and Metro Transit Police Deputy Chief Jeri Lee of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

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