COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT MEASURE I CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

College of the Sequoias
President's Conference Room, Administration Office
915 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93277

Tuesday, September 13, 2011 5:30 pm

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee for Measure I

Betty Anthony, Bob Bricker, Mary Lou Burbery, Melissa Miller, Dena Cochran, Phil Cox, Norma Freeborn, Bob Line, Tom Link, Jerry Long, Tom Brodersen

Members Present: Bob Line, Norma Freeborn, Betty Anthony, Bob Bricker, Dena Cochran, Mary Lou Burbery, Melissa Miller, Tom Link

Members Absent: Phil Cox, Jerry Long, Tom Brodersen

COS Representatives Present:

Brent Calvin, Superintendent/President Eric Mittlestead, Dean, Facilities and Planning Linda McCauley, Chief Accounting Officer Janet Barbeiro, Executive Assistant to the President

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Bob Line called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Approval of April 12, 2011 Minutes

Betty Anthony moved to approve the minutes of April 12, 2011; Mary Lou Burbery seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. Financial Report/Progress Report on Measure I Projects

Linda McCauley provided a list of Bond financed projects with a financial reporting of each as of June 30, 2011.

Eric Mittlestead, Dean of Facilities, reviewed each project item by item and it's status for the committee's information.

Eric Mittlestead explained how the parking lot was expanded with actual costs coming in below estimates along with being able to complete it ahead of schedule.

Mary Lou Burberry had a concern with the water runoff when watering the new plantings.

Eric Mittlestead explained that it is a work in progress and will be looked into as the punch list is reviewed.

5. Review and Approval of Annual Report

Chairman Line asked the committee to review the annual report. He then asked for any changes or corrections.

The committee noted a couple of minor changes and staff said the corrections will be made.

Chairman Line requested that if the report looks all right to the committee, that the committee make a motion to approve. One approved, he will present to the Board of Trustees for their approval.

Motion was made by Tom Link, to accept the 2010-2011 Annual Report and present it to the Board of Trustees for their approval. Dena Cochran seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

6. Community Use of Track and Field

Brent Calvin explained what is going to happen with the new track and the policy COS has put in place to protect the investment made. The last thing he wants to do is shut down public access. However, we have this new field turf that cannot have animals, sunflower seeds, etc. on it in order to keep it nice. He explained that he met with several of the local running groups along with a campus representative and Bob Line. We had a great meeting with lots of dialogue and were able to come up with a plan to test run having supervised access from 5 to 8 am and 5 to 8 pm as well as continuing the policy of allowing the public to walk while a class is going on. One other thing is to have only one main entrance near the pool. This cuts down the cross traffic for people using it as a

thoroughfare. This access will only be on Mondays to Friday's; however, we are open to adjustment to see how it goes for the future. The days of being able to come out and walk at midnight are probably gone. He requested any comments on how this is working.

Mary Lou Burbery said she thinks it is working well. The hours seem to be working well. The main thing she misses is that there is nothing open on the weekends.

Brent Calvin noted that if we can come up with a plan to open up the weekends that can be utilized then he is willing to look at it. People have been very cooperative in the public use times.

Chairman Line reminded the committee that we need to let the public know that that this is a nice new track that needs to be taken care of.

Brent Calvin stated that we have to be good stewards with that field. Staff has had discussions in regards to the maintenance that this new grass takes.

Mary Lou Burberry stated she has a concern with a safety item concerning the new sidewalk in that at each end it goes down which creates a tripping hazard.

Eric Mittlestead said it is built to meet ADA requirements for the handicap along with the ADA parking stall located there. The state has very stringent rules that we have to follow and this is built to the state requirements. We don't have any say in how it is built, and we must build it to their mandates. Additionally, the state does follow up and check to make sure it is built to their specifications.

Chairman Line questioned if the soccer team can play on the new grass?

Brent Calvin said yes. In fact, we had a double header two weeks ago on it. Most of the practice occurs out there along with most of their games. Some practices do take place at neighborhood bowl just due to scheduling conflicts. Brent pointed out that if you hear anything, have questions or a complaint or an issue that needs to be addressed to please call him or e-mail. If there are any issues, don't hesitate to give him a call.

7. Committee Member Report on Feedback from the Community

Chairman Line reminded committee to feel free to call the President for anything that they hear in order to obtain correct information. As a committee member, it is our job to relay correct information to the public.

Melissa Miller has heard a lot since COS became a smoke free campus however, where the smokers congregate it is very filthy. She asked if there is some way to improve these areas for the smokers. If those areas can be made nicer, such as providing a bench and a trash can.

President Line said he will refer this issue to administration to handle.

Brent Calvin reviewed that the campus voted overwhelming to be smoke free campus; however, we didn't anticipate people congregating in the parking lot and leaving a mess.

Eric Mittlestead said that the Facilities Committee is the best avenue to address this issue item. We are honing in on these areas to keep them up.

8. Date of Next Meeting

After discussion, the consensus of the committee was to meet again on March 13, 2012 for their next meeting starting at 5:30 PM.

9. Items for Next Agenda

None.

10. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.