

College of the Sequoias Community College District
Measure I
Citizens' Oversight Committee

**Thursday, November 7, 2013
3:00 pm**

College of the Sequoias
Sequoia Room 18
915 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93277

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Election of Officers
3. Public Comments
4. Approval of Minutes – February 26, 2013
 - Action
5. Citizens' Oversight Committee Responsibilities
6. Financial Report/Progress Report on Measure I Projects
7. Committee Members Reports and Feedback
8. Date of Next Meeting – March 4, 2014
9. Items for Next Agenda
10. Adjourn

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

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

Tuesday, February 26, 2013
5:30 pm

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee for Measure I

Betty Anthony, Bob Bricker, Dena Cochran, Bob Line,
Tom Link, Jerry Long, Josh McDonnell, Student ASB Representative Rey Buenrostro

Members Present: Jerry Long, Bob Bricker, Betty Anthony, Rey Buenrostro, Tom Link, Dena Cochran, John McDonnell

Members Absent: None.

COS Representatives Present:

Brent Calvin, Vice President Administrative Services
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 5:30 pm.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Approval of September 4, 2012 Minutes

Tom Link moved to approve the minutes of September 4, 2012; Betty Anthony seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. Financial Report

Linda McCauley reviewed the first and second quarter financial reports for 2012-2013.

Questions were asked and answered.

5. Progress Report on Measure I Projects

Eric Mittlestead reviewed the progress on Measure I projects. The bulk of the projects are completed.

Questions were asked and answered.

6. Proposition 39 General Obligation Bonds Audit Report – June 30, 2012

Linda McCauley reviewed the Proposition 39 General Obligation Bonds Audit Report noting that the auditing firm has found COS has properly accounted for the expenditures held in the Revenue Bond Construction Fund (Proposition 39) and that such expenditures were made for costs authorized by the voters of the District.

Chairman Bob Line explained that that was good conclusion for COS.

Motion was made by Josh McDonnell, to accept the Proposition 39 General Obligation Bonds Audit Report – June 30, 2012. Tom Link seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

7. Committee Member Report on Feedback from the Community

The committee asked for information in regards to accreditation.

Vice President Calvin explained what is going on with accreditation and how the District is handling the situation.

Dena Cochran stated she has only heard only positive reports from the community.

Josh McDonnell questioned the hours of the track for public use.

Vice President Calvin clarified hours for public use of the track.

Bob Line stated that he has also only heard only positive feedback from the community.

Student Representative Rey Buenrostro said the new parking lot took a little getting used to in regards to entering and exiting.

8. Date of Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, September 10, 2013

After discussion, the consensus of the committee is to meet again on September 10, 2013 for their next meeting starting at 5:30 PM.

9. Items for Next Agenda

Josh McDonnell suggested an editorial be written by the chair to be sent to the newspaper to be published for community input.

Bob Line said he would be glad to work with our PIO officer and send in such a document to the paper.

10. Consideration of new members for current positions expiring March 9, 2013

Tom Link provided several names for consideration.

Bob Line suggested Dr. Buddy Gillespi for an at-large position

Vice President Calvin suggested that over the next few weeks members e-mail their suggestions to staff and then staff will move forward with contacting the citizens for their consideration.

11. Recognition of Committee Members terming out

Vice President Calvin thanked this group for their time and serving on this committee. We have been able to do things for this college that would not have otherwise been done without Measure I. The new facilities and parking works better for our students. Every classroom is now a smart classroom. You have been a fantastic group to work with. He then presented them with a certificate of appreciation for their committee work.

12. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 pm.

COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS

MEASURE I

CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE



2012-2013 ACTIVITY REPORT

FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SFID) NO. 2
BOND MEASURE I

Purpose of the Annual Report

In accordance with Education Code Section 15280, the following report is the fulfillment of the committee's annual requirement.

Measure I was approved by the voters on November 4, 2008. A Bond Resolution was adopted and signed by the Governing Board on June 9, 2008, and is available on the COS website at: <http://www.cos.edu/About/Governance/Board/Pages/Measure-I-Bond.aspx>.

Measure I required the creation of a Citizens' Oversight Committee. The purpose of the Citizens' Oversight Committee is to inform the public concerning the expenditure of bond revenues. The Committee is charged with actively reviewing appropriate reporting on the proper expenditure of taxpayers' money for school construction. The Citizens' Oversight Committee shall advise the public whether the community college district is in compliance with the requirements of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 1 of Article XIII A of the California constitution.

2012-2013 Membership

The Citizen's Oversight Committee consisted of the following members and terms of office:

College Support Organization

Josh McDonnell (7/1/12 – 6/30/14)

Taxpayers

Betty Anthony (2009 – 3/9/13)

At-Large/Business

Bob Bricker (2009-3/9/13)

Dena Cochran (2009-3/9/13)

At-Large

Bob Line (2009-3/9/13) – Chair

Business

Tom Link (2009-3/9/13)

Senior Citizen's Group

Jerry Long (2009-3/9/13)

COS Student Organization

Kayla Pace (2012-2013)

Summary of Activity

The Measure I Citizens Oversight Committee met on the following dates and conducted business generally as follows:

September 4, 2012

- Review and Approve Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2012
- Financial Report
- Progress Report on Measure I Projects
- Review and Approve Annual Report
- Consider New Members for Expiring Positions
- Committee Members Feedback from the Community

February 26, 2012

- Review and Approve Meeting Notes of September 4, 2012
- Financial Report
- Progress Report on Measure I Projects
- Proposition 39 General Obligation Bonds Audit Report – June 30, 2012
- Community Members Feedback from the Community

An annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2013, is being conducted at this time by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP, Certified Public Accountants and will be completed by December 2013.

The meeting agendas, minutes, and materials distributed to the Committee are posted on the District's web site and available in hard copy from the President's Office. A notice was sent out to the local media prior to each meeting. The meeting materials are sent to the committee members, the members of the Governing board and to those members of the public who have requested to be on the mailing list.

The Committee met on November 7, 2013 to review and approve this report and instructed the Committee Chairman or his designee to submit this Activity Report to the Governing Board of the College of the Sequoias Community College District at its regularly scheduled December 9, 2013 meeting.

Findings

Based on this information, as of November 7, 2013, the Citizens' Oversight Committee finds that the bond revenues were expended on the specific projects approved by the voters and that no funds were used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other school operating expenses.

This year-end activity report will be posted on the Internet at: www.cos.edu. Copies are available to the public, either electronically or hard copy, by contacting any of the following:

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Approved by the Citizens' Oversight Committee
for Bond Measure I for College of the Sequoias
Community College District on November 7, 2013

Submitted
Chairman
Citizens' Oversight Committee for Bond Measure I
College of the Sequoias Community College District