

COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
SCHOOL FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 3
MEASURE J – TULARE AREA
CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Official Minutes

Tuesday, February 16, 2010

5:30pm

Board Room/Staff Development Room
Tulare Joint Union High School District Office
426 North Blackstone Avenue
Tulare, CA 93274

Measure J – Tulare Area Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Members:

Rafael Anguiano, John Beck, Howard Berger, Vanessa DeRoma, Anthony DeRose, W. Lynn Dredge,
Jim Henderson, Kenneth Nunes, Richard Ortega, Robert Phillips, Charlie Pitigliano, Bill Postlewaite,
John Thomas, Melody Tucker, Mary Wadsworth, Craig Vejvoda

Members Present: Rafael Anguiano, John Beck, Howard Berger, Anthony DeRose, W. Lynn Dredge,
Jim Henderson, Kenneth Nunes, Richard Ortega, Bill Postlewaite, John Thomas,
and Craig Vejvoda

Members Absent: Vanessa DeRoma, Charlie Pitigliano, Melody Tucker, and Mary Wadsworth

COS Representatives Present:

Bill Scroggins, Superintendent/President
Leangela Miller, Dean, Fiscal Services
Karen Pauls, Facilities Analyst
Susan York, Executive Assistant, Administrative Services

Guests Present: Ed Childress, Klassen Corporation

1. Call to Order

Kenneth Nunes called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Approval of Minutes of November 3, 2009

John Thomas moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Bill Postlewaite seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Financial Report

Leangela Miller presented the financial report for the second quarter of 2009-10. She explained the new *Paid & Encumbered to Date* column to the committee. There were no further questions or concerns regarding the financial report.

Dr. Scroggins explained how COS receives reimbursement for State projects. COS expends the funds and then invoices the State for those expenditures. He also confirmed that the Bond Oversight Committee has control of the actual bond funds and that the funds are not handled by the State.

5. Update of Measure J Project – Tulare Center

Dr. Scroggins informed the committee that Phase I of the Tulare project is out to bid. There was a job walk on February 9th and the bids will be opened on March 16, 2010.

Dr. Scroggins explained to the committee that due to the way the Tulare Phase I project was required to be submitted by Division of State Architects (DSA) there was a delay in the Department of Finance (DOF) giving approval to bid the project. Construction is anticipated to begin June 28, 2010. If the project hits all critical dates it will open in August 2012. However, all of the wiggle room for the project was used during the approval delay. If the project does not meet its schedule the Tulare campus will open in January 2013. Dr. Scroggins also talked to the committee about the Tulare campus opening without student services. This is due to a lack of operating funds because of the state budget. Students would have to go to the Visalia campus for student services. The new campus will have a Cyber-Library, e-book down loading, and use of COS data bases. Dr. Scroggins is working on the specifics of the library and will review it with the Board at the retreat scheduled for the end of the month.

6. Other Measure J Project Questions/Discussions

Howard Berger inquired as to the number of wells on the Tulare site. Dr. Scroggins informed the group that two (2) wells were being installed as part of the Bardsley Avenue and Well Sites #43/#44 Improvement project. Due to rain delays, it is anticipated that the above mentioned project will be completed in March 2010. Dr. Scroggins talked about a co-op between the cities of Visalia and Tulare for a bus line that will go back and forth between Visalia and Tulare.

7. Planning for Ground Breaking

Dr. Scroggins discussed ideas for the groundbreaking. He recommended that it be held on the northeast side of the property where the construction will occur. The area will be graded and leveled for the ceremony tents to be set up and refreshments will be served. Community members and dignitaries will be invited to the groundbreaking.

Howard explained that his District was able to borrow a tent for their ground breaking and a community band played music. He is going to provide Dr. Scroggins with a copy of his District's groundbreaking invitation.

8. Timing for Annual Report

Dr. Scroggins advised that under the guidelines of Proposition 39, the committee is responsible for submitting an annual report to the Board of Trustees each year. He distributed copies of the first annual report that was submitted by the Citizens' Oversight Committee for the Measure C [Hanford] Bond. There was brief discussion on how the committee would like to proceed. It was decided that the COS staff would prepare a draft report similar to the Measure C report for the committee to review at its next meeting. A draft report will be submitted to the committee at the next meeting and will be finalized for Board approval.

9. Discussion of Citizens' Oversight Committee Membership Terms

Richard Ortega moved to appoint Craig Vejvoda to serve an additional 2 year term on the Citizens' Oversight Committee. Bill Postlewaite seconded the motion. Craig Vejvoda accepted and has been appointed to serve a 2 year term.

10. Items for Next Agenda

The current Education Plan was requested for the next meeting. A draft of the Annual Report will also be presented to the committee at the May 17th meeting.

11. Date of Next Meeting

Monday, May 17, 2010, has been set as the next meeting of the Measure J – Tulare Area Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee. The meeting will be held at the Board Room/Staff Development Room of the Tulare Joint Union High School District Office at 5:30 pm.

12. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:22pm.