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San Bernardino City Unified School District

**Regular Meeting of the Measure T Bond  
Citizens' Oversight Committee**

**Board of Education – Conference Rooms A/B  
777 North F Street  
San Bernardino, CA 92410**

**MINUTES**

**December 3, 2008**

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Cynthia Barrow	Parent	X	
Tierney Harris	At-Large		X
Sheri Hundley	Parent/PTA Member		X
David Justice	Business Community	X	
Ralph Knox	Senior Citizen	X	
Troy Nelson	At-Large	X	
Maria Dolores Ochoa	At-Large	X	
Martin Romeo	Business Community		X
Marion Vassilakos	Tax Payers' Organization	X	

<b>District Support</b>	<b>Department</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Dr. Arturo Delgado	Superintendent's Office	X	
John Peukert	Facilities/Operations	X	
Wael Elatar	Facilities Management	X	
Keith Kajiya	URS Facilities Program Management	X	
Laura Breuer	Facilities Management	X	
Beth Alexander	Facilities Management	X	

**1. Opening**

a. Call to Order

Vice-Chair, David Justice, called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

b. Introductions

Introductions were made. Dr. Delgado expressed his appreciation to the Committee for their commitment and asked that they continue to keep a diligent eye on the Bond projects.

c. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the September 10, 2008 meeting were approved as submitted.

## 2. Administrative Report

### a. Bond Status Summary

Keith Kajiya presented a “Bond Issuance Schedule” and “Bond Financial Status as of 10/31/08” report to the Committee. Keith stated that of the original \$153.8M, \$116.2M has been expended with \$37.6M remaining. The Bond funds have generated \$13.8M in accrued interest. Keith will present a comprehensive expenditures report to the Committee at the March meeting. Wael Elatar stated that the new High School #8 would be partially funded with Bond dollars, with an expected issuance of the Series D bond funds in 2009.

### b. 21st Century Classroom Project

Wael explained that there are plans to have prototypes of a 21st Century Classroom at San Bernardino High School, Pacific High School and Arrowview Middle School. These classrooms utilize the latest in technology, are Environmentally “Friendly and Green” and are designed to educate the students for the future. SBCUSD is using the same architect as a near-by district (Upland), which has designed 21st Century Classrooms, therefore reducing architectural costs. The goal would be to have all high school and middle school classrooms in SBCUSD modernized to become 21st Century Classrooms. There are 1,000 secondary classrooms in the District, which at a cost of \$100,000 per classroom, would total \$100 million to Modernize. Three (3) 21st Century Classroom prototypes are being constructed using Measure T Bonds, State and QEIA funds.

John Peukert explained that State bond funds for new school construction are being exhausted. He commended Wael and the Facilities Management staff for working on the passage of AB1014, which has allowed the District to submit construction applications for Wilson II, Lincoln II South and Little Mountain Elementary Schools. Our District has secured alternative funding enabling us to leverage the local Bond funds for our capital projects.

### c. Facilities Capital Improvement Program (FCIP) Community Meetings

Susan McKee presented an overview of the FCIP and her role in helping to inform the community about the current and future projects. She asked the COC members if they would be willing to attend some up-coming meetings to share information about the Measure T Bond projects and to educate the community about the need for securing additional future school bonds. Members signed up, based on their availability, for either daytime or evening meetings.

### d. Citizens’ Oversight Committee Newsletter

Keith presented a draft copy of the Citizens’ Oversight Committee’s Newsletter. Members made suggestions such as: pictures that include students and pictures of modernized classrooms. Keith will meet with Chair, Sheri Hundley, and Vice-Chair, David Justice, in January to draft a cover letter. Second draft copies of the newsletter will be mailed to COC members and finalized in the first quarter of next year.

### e. November Monthly Briefing

The Committee reviewed the November Monthly Briefing. Wael explained the different components of the report – Land Acquisition for new eight (8) sites is 90% complete; New High School #8 is underway; thirty-six (36) Modernization Projects were grouped into thirteen (13) contract bid packages worth \$127.0 million and eight (8) new elementary school Special Day Classroom Projects started construction in July, 2008 totaling \$18.4 million.

COC member, Maria Dolores Ochoa, expressed her concern regarding the disruption for students and teachers during Modernization Projects at school sites. John Peukert, Wael Elatar and Keith Kajiya each responded to her concerns and discussed how Facilities works to keep disruptions to the educational environment to a minimum.

f. Funding Sources for Staffing of New Schools

In response to a question asked by COC Member, David Justice, at the September meeting, John Peukert reported that staffing funds for new school sites are generated in several ways. One way is that when a new, single-track elementary school opens, three or four surrounding multi-track elementary schools can become single-track schools and faculty and staff are moved to the new school. Another way is that transportation costs are reduced by single-track, neighborhood schools opening. He explained that utility costs are being lowered due to new schools and modernization projects at existing schools, utilizing more cost efficient, energy saving products, freeing funds for other needs.

g. Proposition 39 Audit for Fiscal Year 2007-2008

Keith explained that the third-party auditors would be in the District in January. They will present their audit reports to District personnel in February and to the COC at their March meeting. Keith asked Beth Alexander to send the FY 2006-2007 audit reports to new members with email addresses.

h. Member Term Renewals

The first two-year term for two COC members will expire in 2009. Marion Vassilakos, representing a Taxpayers' Organization, will end in March and Tierney Harris, representing the Community-at-Large, will end in August. Facilities has asked both members to commit to an additional two-year term by signing a commitment letter. Marion Vassilakos returned her letter stating her desire to extend her membership. Tierney Harris was absent from the meeting and her letter has not been returned.

3. **Committee Comments/Concerns**

Assistant Superintendent, John Peukert, thanked the COC members for their dedication and support to the District and urged them to feel proud of the work that the Bond funds have and will accomplish.

COC Member, Troy Nelson, inquired as to how the District looks at growth in the city and county and if the District coordinates with the respective Planning Departments regarding growth and new school needs. John responded that the District does track growth patterns with Planning Departments and that the Facilities Department has staff that annually prepares enrollment projections and attendance boundary maps.

4. **Schedule for Future Meetings**

Scheduled: Wednesday, March 11, 2009 and June 3, 2009

5. **Public Comments**

None

6. **Items for Future Agendas**

- a. COC Newsletter Update
- b. Bond Cost Report
- c. Prop 39 Audit Reports

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.