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San Bernardino City Unified School District

Special Meeting of the Measure T Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee

Closed Session Room
Time: 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.
Board of Education Building
777 North F Street
San Bernardino, California 92410

MINUTES

June 27, 2007

Committee Members	Representing	Present	Absent
Teresa Alba	Parent	X	
Robbi Brunk	At-large	X	
Soledad Castillo	Parent/PTA Member	X	
Carl Clemons	At-large	X	
Ronald Coats	Business Community	X	
J. Pat Ferraris	Business Community	X	
Margaret Hill	Senior Citizen	X	
Marion Vassilakos	Tax Payer's Organization		X

District Support	Department	Present	Absent
Art Delgado	Superintendent's Office	X	
John Peukert	Facilities/Operations	X	
Wael Elatar	Facilities Management		X
Keith Kajiya	URS Facilities Program Management	X	
Beth Alexander	Facilities Management	X	

1. Opening

a. Call to Order

Chairperson Robbi Brunk called the meeting to order at 2:40 p.m.

b. <u>Use of Bond Proceeds for School District Employees</u>

Dr. Arturo Delgado explained his concerns about the decrease in State funds, due to lower projected ADA, and the rapid pace of building that will be happening in the District if/when the Financial Hardship Application is funded. One solution to the fund shortage is for the District to hire Facilities Management Department employees to oversee the projects and use Measure T Bond funds for their salaries.

Because of the language in the original bond proposition, stating that "...bond proceeds would not be used for administrator and teacher salaries", some of the Committee members are concerned that the general population's understanding of the bond, at voting time, was the money would be used for construction and modernization and not administrators' salaries.

After much discussion, a motion was made by Pat Ferraris, seconded by Margaret Hill, that the COC schedule another Special Meeting in 30 days to discuss the issue further. Motion passed. At the next meeting, the Committee has requested the attendance of Attorney David Casnocha, Bond Counsel for the District. They also requested a salary comparison between URS and District employees. A tentative date of Wednesday, July 25, 2007, at 2:30 was suggested.

c. Term of COC Members

Due to the original configuration of the Citizens' Oversight Committee in 2004, two members were selected to serve a 1-year term and five members would serve a 2-year term. Based on the COC By-laws and the guidelines governing Prop. 39, all members are allowed to serve a total of four years (two consecutive two-year terms). The original 1-year term members have served that term, plus an additional 2-year term. Both were asked, and are willing to serve one more year, for a total of four years on the Committee. Margaret Hill made a motion, seconded by Pat Ferraris, to amend the By-laws. Motion carried. Their names will be submitted to the School Board for approval. Chairperson Robbi Brunk stressed the importance of attendance at all COC meetings.

d. Recruitment of New Members

Recruitment for new members will be held from June 15 to July 13, 2007.

e. Approval of Minutes

Margaret Hill made a motion, seconded by Ron Coats, to approve the March 28, 2007 meeting minutes as presented and to file the June 6, 2007 meeting minutes, due to the lack of a quorum at that meeting.

2. Administrative Reports

a. FCIP Report, Spring 2007

Keith Kajiya reported on the status of the Financial Hardship Application in respect to the OPSC decision that will be made in approximately two weeks. That funding would allow the District to move forward with forty-two additional projects, such as: new construction, modernizations and SDC buildings.

Margaret Hill asked Keith if the tennis courts that were displaced at Serrano Middle School by the SDC building were going to be replaced. Keith will find out and report at the next meeting.

Keith told the Committee about the Facilities Management Department's new Webpage at www.sbcusdfacilities.com. There is information regarding the Citizen Oversight Committee, Current Project Information and Timelines, Local Business Outreach, Procurement, Use Agreements and Contracts. The application for the Recruitment of new members for the Citizens' Oversight Committee is available at this site.

3. Schedule for Future Meetings

Tentative Special Meeting: July 25, 2007 Scheduled: September 12, 2007 Suggested: December 12 or 19, 2007

4. Public Comments

None

5. Items for Future Agendas

- a. <u>Use of Bond Proceeds for School District Employees</u>
- b. Bond Language Clarification with District Bond Counsel Attorney
- c. Requested Salary Comparison
- d. Status of Tennis Courts at Serrano Middle School

Questions: Please contact Facilities Department at (909) 381-1238