



CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES
PASADENA AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING NO. 46
Wednesday, October 23, 2013
6:00 P.M.
Pasadena City College
C-233 – President's Conference Room
1570 East Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91106



Regular Meeting No. 46

The Citizens Oversight Committee met for Regular Meeting No. 46 on Wednesday, October 23, 2013 in the President's Conference Room, C-233, of Pasadena City College, 1570 E. Colorado Boulevard, Pasadena, California 91106.

Members Present:

John Gordon, Chair
Scott Feldmann, Vice Chair
Allen Shay, *arrived at 6:20 pm*
Anthony Portantino, *arrived at 7:14 pm*
Bradford King
John Martin
Jonathan Fuhrman
Kevin Strotz
Odom Stamps
Sandra Greenstein
Shirley Burt
Simon Fraser, *arrived at 6:10pm*

Members Absent:

James Smith

District/Support Staff Present:

Dr. Mark Rocha
Bob Miller
Jack Schulman

Guests:

Thomas Neiderer, Dental Hygiene
Courier

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL and INTRODUCTIONS

Wednesday, October 23, 2013 Measure P Oversight Committee Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman John Gordon.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MEETING NO. 45, July 24, 2013

MOTION: Odom, and seconded by **Greenstein**, the Committee voted to approve the Minutes with the inclusion of Member Portantino's note for item number 8, of Regular Meeting No. 45 held on Wednesday, July 24, 2013. Strotz and Fuhrman Abstain as they were not present at the July 24, 2013 meeting.

3. NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF NEW CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR (Gordon)

MOTION: Odom, and seconded by **Greenstein**, to nominate Scott Feldmann as Chair
MOTION: Fuhrman, and seconded by **Greenstein** to elect Scott Feldman. Motion carried.

MOTION: Stamps, and seconded by **Strotz** to elect Shay as Vice Chair. Motion carried.

4. MEASURE P OVERVIEW REPORT (Smith)

Miller: Provided a detailed Measure P report, "Measure P Construction Holding Account Options for the Remaining Balance". Miller referenced and discussed elements of a Measure P power point presentation which provided details on the Measure P bond activities. Presentation attached to minutes.

5. OTHER MEASURE P PROJECTS REPORT: (Schulman)

a. ADA

Schulman: Building C is being reviewed and will commence soon. This effects the grounds, sidewalks and overall grading throughout the campus.

b. WATERPROOFING

Schulman: Job walk commence on Tuesday, October 22nd and we are waiting the lowest bid response.

c. ELEVATORS

Schulman: In August, C-Building, elevator 2 opened. C-Building, elevator 1 is scheduled to be completed by the end of November. The replacement of the east side elevators in the R-Building will be completed by January 2014. The west side is scheduled to be completed in August 2014.

d. ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

Schulman: R Building elevators are affected. Two major concerns are the R and E buildings, but these aren't the only locations on campus where abatement issues exist. With a campus of this size and age, asbestos abatement will be an on-going challenge and expense.

6. REPORT: CENTER FOR THE ARTS (Smith/ Schulman)

Miller: Opening of Center for the Arts was very successful. Student and Faculty response has been overwhelmingly positive. He expressed appreciation to the Board of Trustees and voters for the approving this project. Miller and Schulman also provided reports on the final two Center for the Arts projects; the Recital Hall and Black Box Theatre. Both are progressing well and should be completed by the end of November.

Feldmann: Chairman Feldman encouraged those who have not walked through the new Center for the Arts to do so. He also requested a list of the Change Orders approved by the Board of Trustees at their October meeting.

Schulman: The total amount of the Changes Orders, which includes what will be going to the Board of Trustees for approval on, Wednesday, November 6th is \$1,746,692, which is 5.82% or the allotted 10% cap.

c. SURETY, ACTUAL DAMAGE POST JULY 8TH (Miller)

Miller: This is the second delay on the completion, Original date was 2012. The date was not met as a result of the Edge Development bankruptcy. Liberty Mutual, the surety hired by Kemp Construction to complete the building. They too missed the target date but overall performed extremely well and continue to do so. The District will be negotiating with Liberty Mutual, their agent Benchmark, and Kemp as to liquidated damages and other considerations. The District will report back to the Measure P Committee at its next meeting as to the status of these discussions.

7. MEASURE P BUDGET (Smith/ Pulcifer)

Miller: Introduced Stephanie Pulcifer to the Measure P Oversight Committee.

Pulcifer: The Committee was provided with the "Pasadena City College Citizen's Oversight Committee Measure P Update" (fiscal) dated October 23, 2013. Ms. Pulcifer provided a report. Discussion ensued. The committee accepted the report and thanked Ms. Pulcifer for her detailed report.

8. PROPOSED HOLDING ACCOUNT PROJECTS *(Smith)*

Miller: The report PowerPoint "Measure P Construction Holding Account Options for the Remaining Balance" on the 2nd page titled "Proposed Measure P Projects to Complete" shows what projects have been completed in white and in black show what needs to be completed. The 3rd page titled "Construction Holding Account Options" shows the existing approved projects to be completed, nothing new has been added.

Miller: The presentation and subsequent discussion included comments from staff and committee members about what to do with the remaining approximately \$15.4 million in funds ranging from completing projects as approved in the bond issuance to returning some or all of the remaining funds to the taxpayers. Consensus was reached on moving forward with the approximately \$11.4 million in recommended projects and holding back on the approximate remaining balance of \$4.5 million for further review and discussion. By consensus, the committee agreed this was a reasonable position and asked that this information be conveyed to the District Board of Trustees.

Feldmann: The committee has heard staff's report. Would the committee agree to recommend to proceed with the proposed projects?

By consensus, the Committee agreed to move forward with the proposed projects presented on the "Measure P Construction Holding Accounts Options for the Remaining Balance" power point.

Excerpts from discussion which led to the above recommendation:

Rocha: Last year Dr. Rocha requested that we stop spending on already approved projects. He asked that the approved projects be prioritized. Staff did so. These are what are recommended for the committee's consideration. Staff asked the Board of Trustees to allow time to take this to the Measure P Oversight Committee for their consideration and recommendation that they are taken back to the Board of Trustees for final action.

Strotz: These projects that have been approved but have been placed on hold, could they be taken to the Centennial Master Plan Bond?

Shay: If we take these options to the taxpayers, we should approach this with great sensitivity. Many would be confused as to why we gave money back when in fact there is a great need to repair and improve the college's facilities as agreed and approved by the voters. The other option is to take care of the students and the learning environment and inform the taxpayers of this decision, involving the community.

Rocha: We'd need to explain why we did not complete voter-approved projects resulting in left-over funds which would need to be returned to the taxpayers. We need to take care of our faculty and students and their learning environment. The soonest we could break ground for the Centennial Master Plan would be 2017 and that's optimistic. The projects being considered are urgently needed.

Thomas Neiderer, Dental Hygiene: We have our Accreditation Site visit in 2016, we need improvements by then. We have a lot of needs that we can address, we have worked with Dr. Rocha and Mr. Miller, which they have addressed. We service the community and students. I absolutely support this, and would appreciate more of the funds become available.

Feldmann: We want to hear that we have the faculty working with the administration. It appears this is going on.

9. U-BUILDING AND FINAL PROJECT PLAN-FUNDING UPDATE (Miller)

a. REQUEST FOR FUNDING

Miller: Final Project plan has been approved for funding and is high on the approvals list. Replacement funding will be provided once an Education State Bond initiative is placed before the voters. This may occur in 2014 but more likely in 2015 from what the District is currently being told.

10. PROP 39 ENERGY EFFICIENCY INITIATIVE (Smith)

Miller: The District is participating in the Prop 39 Energy Efficiency Initiative and has submitted a funding application.

11. CENTENNIAL FACILITIES MASTER PLAN (Smith/Miller)

Miller: Presented and reviewed two power points entitled "Pasadena Area Community College District Centennial Facilities Master Plan" and "Centennial Facilities Plan Visioning". The plan was presented to the Board of Trustees at their study session on Wednesday, October 16, 2013. He described the plan and responded to questions.

Feldmann: The Chair asked for committee members to volunteer to participate in the upcoming visioning sessions. Members Greenstein, Shay and Fuhrman volunteered.

12. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

None

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

14. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Rocha: Brought to the attention to the committee that the city is considering two proposals; 1: placing a 7-11 across the street, located in the Penny Lane Records site, and the granting a liquor license to the 99 cent store. He will be testifying for the Pasadena Area Community College District on how these two proposals will negatively affect the campus and traffic.

Shay: We should include the Board of Realtors who will also have serious concerns especially given the possible expansion to the north of the campus.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

16. FUTURE MEETING DATES:

- a. Wednesday, January 22nd at 6:00 pm**
- b. Wednesday, April 23rd at 6:00pm**
- c. Wednesday, July 23rd at 6:00 pm**

17. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Fuhrman, seconded by Shay Measure P Citizens Oversight Committee, meeting 46 on Wednesday, October 23, 2013 adjourned at 7:54 pm

Respectfully submitted:
Cindy Chamussy
Executive Assistant
Business and College Services