



# COMPTON

## UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Facilities, Maintenance, Operations & Transportation

### MEASURE S CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING - MINUTES

Thursday, February 16, 2017

Room #132

#### **Call to Order**

The Measure S Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee meeting was called to order by Facilitator, Mr. Alejandro Alvarez, Deputy Superintendent/CAO – Business and Administrative Services at 3:15 p.m. in the Superintendent's Conference. Mr. Alvarez thanked members for their presence and informed the committee that bilingual (English/Spanish) interpreting services will be provided for members who required it.

#### **Roll Call**

The following members were in attendance:

Ms. Luz Barajas

Ms. Tracie Brown

Dr. Willie O. Jones

Mr. Samuel Salcedo

Mrs. Marjorie A. Shipp

Committee Members Absent:

Dr. Michael Hopwood

Mr. Jose Luevano

#### **Comments from the Public**

Mr. Raymond Cooper addressed the committee about his concerns regarding the oversight of expenditures as these will be reported to the committee after the fact. He inquired about the committee's ability in making decisions relating to expenditures and reviewing invoices for better control by line items and not whole expenditures. It's explained that it is important to compare purchase orders to invoices and track money through purchase orders and change orders, of annual audit, to match book of records.

Ms. Tracie Brown added that Mr. Cooper's suggestions were a good idea and she would like the Committee to receive purchase orders along with work orders including all materials purchased.

## **Presentations**

### **a. Overview Presentation of Bond and Bylaws**

Mr. Alejandro Alvarez, Deputy Superintendent/CAO – Business and Administrative Services explained the process of bond initiative and the role of the committee: The bond passed in November 2015; a Facilities needs assessment was conducted; as a result, Compton High School and Jefferson Elementary School would be redone, as well as some work at Roosevelt Elementary School. Twenty Million dollars of that bond will be used for up front for architecture and seismic studies. A third party will be conducting audit of bond expenditures. The Committee's is responsible for overseeing bond expenditures.

Dr. Jones requested a copy of the Ballot Measure.

### **b. Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Overview Presentation**

The Committee heard a presentation by Sarine Abrahamian, Esq. of Orbach Huff Suarez & Henderson LLP regarding the role of the CBOC members and staff, collectively and individually.

Mrs. Shipp expressed her opinion that the lowest possible bidder on a project may not always be the best; change orders occur and in essence then becomes a higher bid, citing unforeseen conditions.

Ms. Abrahamian explained that the District has other procurement methods to select from regarding the process.

Mr. Jenkins informed the committee that since this is a new construction project, meaning everything will be new, change orders should be minimal.

Mr. Alvarez emphasized that the District will not change any on the plans thus reducing change orders.

Mrs. Shipp expressed the need of a qualified Project Manager based on her observations.

Mr. Jenkins responded with stating that it is a critical role that the Board of Trustees will decide on. Also that the role of this Committee is to oversee the expenditures as to the Bond Measure.

Ms. Shipp asked how often will the Committee receive reports and how long will it take to build Compton High School.

Mr. Alvarez explained that the District will provide reports with what has been spent. Also, a list of priorities will be presented to the Committee. He assured the committee about the District's commitment on transparency specifically as it pertains to reports and other documents. As to the length of time for construction of Compton High School, the District is exploring different methods of relocation of student population during construction.

**Future Meeting Dates**

Next Tentative Meeting – May 25, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Other Tentative dates include:

Thursday, August 24, 2017

Thursday, November 16, 2017

Thursday, February 22, 2018

**Adjournment**

The meet was adjourned at 4:10 p.m. Passed with a motion by Ms. Shipp and a second by Mr. Salcedo. The vote was unanimous.