

Palmdale School District
Minutes of the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee
Tuesday, April 9, 2013 – 5:30 p.m.
Business Office Conference Room
39139 10th Street East, Palmdale, CA 93550

- 1) CALL TO ORDER – Stacy Fournier called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.
- 2) ROLL CALL – Stacy Fournier
Present: Al Tsai, Felicia Sexton, Trixie Flores, Steven Benson, Stacy Fournier, Patrick Kossow, Jeff McElfresh, Christina Mendoza, Bridgett Pitt and Robert Routolo. Michael Campbell arrived at 6:00 p.m.
Absent: Vladimir Gomez
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 4) APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 12, 2013 MEETING
Motion By: Christina Mendoza
Seconded By: Bridgett Pitt
Votes: Unanimously approved (7-0)
- 5) APPROVE REVISION OF COMMITTEE BY-LAWS (ARTICLE IV, SECTION E)
The committee approved the change to the by-laws from a four (4) member quorum to a five (5) member quorum.
Motion By: Christina Mendoza
Seconded By: Jeff McElfresh
Votes: Unanimously approved (7-0)
- 6) UPDATE ON MEASURE DD BOND ISSUANCE
Al advised the committee that there is no update.
- 7) FACILITIES STRATEGIC PLAN
Al discussed the Facilities Update (Powerpoint Presentation) Study Session that was presented to the Board on April 17, 2012. He discussed the enrollment snapshot of the district and the decline in enrollment at the intermediate schools. Christina asked about busing the students and if the enrollment numbers would change. Al said that by closing schools and rezoning there are no additional transportation costs. Summerwind is at their maximum enrollment and Christina asked if we would open more schools. We only have a limited number of elementary schools and when David G. Millen builds out, capacity at Summerwind will increase due to vacated portables used by David G. Millen Intermediate School.
- 8) DAVID G. MILLEN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL – PSOMAS SOLAR PROJECT
Al discussed the NTD site plans for David G. Millen showing an “eye in the sky” view. He discussed every page of the site maps. He discussed the proposed solar panels at David G. Millen. A question was asked if lockers would be installed with the answer that there will only be PE lockers. Bridgett asked if there have been any problems with neighbors. Al said that there will be an outreach as the

project nears the start date. There will be no student drop off in the field and the solar panels will not block any views.

9) **REVIEW OF PROJECT LIST AND 2013/2014 PROJECTS**

Al discussed the General Obligation Bond-Project List Powerpoint presentation which was discussed with the board before the election. Page 2 became the language for the bond. Al discussed Repair, Renovation, Modernization. Al discussed the Technology section of the Powerpoint presentation.

Al discussed two (2) project lists (location/cost and trade/cost). The goal is to spread the bond money as evenly as possible.

For the Summer 2013 projects, there is not enough time and staff to clean classrooms and move and replace furniture for carpet projects in the schools this summer.

Al discussed sample photos of repairs needed at school sites. Christina asked if an overhang can be converted to a “roof” and Al’s response was that if an overhang is converted to a roof it is considered part of the building and will trigger modernization. Yucca and Mesquite will need to wait the entire summer for portables, ramps and asphalt repairs due to the large scale of the project.

Al also discussed the school site photos and what repairs will be performed for the Summer 2013 projects:

Cactus – The play area is the problem. A dead patch of grass will be paved.

Desert Rose – The sprinklers need to be realigned with shorter sprinkler heads.

Joshua Hills – Front of school-Irrigation; slurry and restripe

Los Amigos – The main work is in the field. The grass won’t grow so work is needed.

Manzanita – Blacktop work

Quail Valley – Slurry and crack fill

Shadow Hills – Crack repair, slurry seal and striping

Summerwind – Paving, mow curb, etc. There is a meeting on April 10, 2013 to finalize the playground plans. Board approval will be requested at the May 7, 2013 board meeting.

We will delay some projects to take advantage of modernization funds which has been traditionally a state “50-50” match. There is \$9M for Williams repairs.

Al discussed the various bid thresholds:

(Contract and purchase order = UPCAP)

(\$45,000 to \$175,000 = Informal Bidding)

(Over \$175,000 = Formal Bidding)

The Summer 2013 projects will be a lease-leaseback method which will be briefed at the May 21, 2013 Board Meeting.

Trixie discussed her attendance at the CASBO conference. She learned of a software package for bond measures that she will present at the next meeting.

10) **FUTURE TOURS**

The March 29, 2013 bus tour went well. For the April 26, 2013 bus tour, Al said the committee can meet after hours or on the weekend. If there are more than five (5) members, he will gavel a meeting. The committee cannot sit together but can meet at school sites. Cimarron, Buena Vista and Quail Valley will be visited during the next bus tour (April 26, 2013).

11) **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR – None received**

Persons wishing to make comments to the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee may do so at this time. Each speaker is requested to limit their comments to no more than three minutes. Please fill out a Speaker Card and turn it in to the Chair if you wish to address the Committee.

12) **COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The members discussed an article in the Antelope Valley Press. One member is writing a rebuttal letter.

13) **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Handouts:

- **School Facilities Projects to be Funded from Bond Proceeds**
- **Agenda for April 9, 2013 Meeting**
- **Minutes from the March 12, 2013 Citizens Bond Oversight Committee Meeting**
- **Committee By-Laws Regarding Quorums**
- **Facilities Update Powerpoint Presentation-Study Session-April 17, 2012**
- **David G. Millen Intermediate School Site Map**
- **General Obligation Bond-Project List-Study Session-June 19, 2012**
- **Project Photos for 2013-2014**
- **Summer Projects Delivery Methods-Study Session-April 2, 2013**
- **Site Maps of Cactus, Desert Rose, Joshua Hills, Los Amigos, Manzanita, Quail Valley, Shadow Hills and Summerwind**