

OHLONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
Citizens Bond Oversight Committee Meeting  
Fremont Campus, Room 1407  
43600 Mission Boulevard, Fremont, CA 94539

Minutes of Citizens Oversight Committee  
December 14, 2009

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Lauren Baca, Theodore Bresler, Karen Bridges, Shirley Buschke, Steven Chan, Andrew MacRae, Frank Pirrone, Jack Rogers

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Bhaskar Chaudhari, Rakesh Sharma, Dennis Wolfe

**GUESTS:** Jennifer Root, the Lew Edwards Group

**MANAGEMENT/STAFF  
PRESENT:**

Gari Browning, President/Superintendent  
Mike Calegari, Vice President, Administrative Services  
Joanne Schultz, Dean, Business Services  
Lucky Lofton, Director, Facilities  
Don Eichelberger, Bond Manager  
Arti Damani, Bond Accountant  
Kelly Abad, Executive Assistant, Administrative Services

**OPEN MEETING:** The meeting was called to order by Steven Chan at 6:08 p.m. There was not a quorum at the beginning of the meeting and therefore the meeting started with no official approvals. A quorum was reached a few minutes into the meeting and approvals were then held.

**COMMUNICATIONS  
FROM THE AUDIENCE:** None

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FROM THE COMMITTEE:** None

**SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

3. **Committee Members' Attendance Report**  
For information only. No comments from committee.
4. **Potential Bond Measure Campaign Update**

Jennifer Root from the Lew Edwards group gave an overview of the results of the potential General Obligation bond survey. She stated that the results showed that a bond measure is feasible for November 2010. After giving the survey to 400 District voters, it showed that voters are interested in accessibility and affordability. The downside is that there not much awareness in the community of the conditions of the Ohlone campus and the District needs to reach out to the community to show them the aging facilities.

Ms. Root also spoke about the potential bond language and explained that when surveyed on the potential bond language, 3 in 5 voters support a bond measure. In the Lew Edwards experience, this is a favorable survey result and should be noted that increasing awareness is now more important than ever.

Comments and concerns from committee members included:

- By the District asking local community members to put up a lot of social capital and if this does not pass, it will be harder to go out for a bond the next time around.
- Fixing up 40 year old buildings with \$350 million does not seem like a viable option without building new buildings. There is a need to show the community what the money will be spent on.
- The economy was better when the last bond measure passed. The ease of saying yes to the potential measure is much harder in this economy and it is imperative to let voters know that Sacramento cannot touch these funds.

**1. Review and Approval of September 14, 2009 Minutes**

The minutes were approved with a motion to amend Item #8 to state that "Rogers" moved instead of "Jack".

**Moved** / MacRae / Seconded / Bresler

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was approved with Item # 4 moved to the beginning of the meeting.

**Moved** / MacRae / Seconded / Bresler / All in Favor

**5. Review of the First Quarter Financial and Bond Report**

Joanne Schultz gave an overview of the First Quarter Bond Report. The report shows the reconciled budget and accumulated expenditures dated September 30, 2009. Arti Damani, Bond Accountant, and Don Eichelberger, Bond Manager, have reconciled their reports. The District is coming to a close on many projects, but Don Eichelberger will speak on that. It was also reminded to the group that the state cannot touch local bond funds.

**6. Bond Projects Update**

Don Eichelberger gave an overview of the outstanding bond projects. The District is coming to a close on Newark and the Student Services building, but in order to close, the District will need to get a certificate letter from DSA. Full DSA approval will most likely be in 14-15 months.

Current projects include secondary effects and Science modulars. Secondary effects was scheduled to happen after the move of the Student Services department from Building 1, but the District has been wise about spending the money because there have been various unforeseen repairs as a result of the aging facilities. The Science modulars were approved by the Board of Trustees and will be taking place in order to have the chance to renovate and/or replace existing labs.

It was also stated that the campus does indeed have current needs that would equate to a larger amount than \$350 million. This potential bond measure would help with the first stage or two of the Facilities Master plan.

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#### **Bond Oversight Committee Office Terms**

Mike Calegari was asked to do research on the 2 consecutive 2 year terms which expire for this current committee in June 2010. He stated that the current committee is skilled and knowledgeable on how to oversee the Bond funds. Because there is only \$3.8 million in bond funds left, it should be expended over the next year or so. It would be ideal for the current bond committee to bridge this committee over to the next possible bond measure and continue the work they have been doing. The committee needs a total of 5 committee members and they include the areas defined as representing Senior Citizen Organization, Business Organization, Taxpayers Association, Foundation and Associated Students of Ohlone.

The District's Bond Counsel has told Mr. Calegari that the current committee can serve until successors have come on board. At this time, it is not feasible to advertise for each position, get Board approval and get the new committee members up to speed. The by-laws will need to be revised in order to keep the current committee members for 1 year to a possible 2 more years.

As a note, the potential bond measure will have its own letter designation once the Board of Trustees approves going out for a new bond measure and a new committee will then be appointed.

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#### **Scheduling Upcoming Committee Meetings**

The committee was given a list of meeting dates for the 2010 year. There was a motion for the Citizens bond oversight committee to adopt the scheduled dates.  
**Moved** / Bresler / **Seconded** / MacRae / **All in Favor**

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#### **Committee Rules and Regulations**

There will need to be notices sent to the committee members that have missed consecutive meetings and the Board of Trustees will have to be notified.

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#### **Evaluation of Current Meeting**

No comments from the committee.

**11.                   Topics for Next Meeting**  
Bond Performance Audit  
Future of Committee

ADJOURNED: 8:14 p.m.