

Measure G Bond Oversight Committee

Minutes from the May 19, 2003 Meeting

Members Present:

Mr. Ray Delgado; Ms. Margaret Guerra; Mr. Will Johnson; Mr. Bud Lomonaco; Ms. Sara Pizemielewski; and Mr. Dennis Umphress.

Members Absent:

Dr. Tony Carillo; and Mr. Rolando Lorea.

Welcome and Opening Remarks:

The meeting was called to order at 5:44 p.m. by District Administrator, **Mr. Alan Garofalo** (Director of Facilities & Bond Management).

Mr. Garofalo requested that the members refer to the agendas they have been given and asked if there were any objections to the attached minutes of the last Oversight Committee meeting, held on 10-21-02. No objections were noted. Minutes were entered as official, for the record.

New Business:

All Members and staff introduced themselves.

Mr. Wendell Vaughn of Perkins and Will (Master Plan Architect for Measure G Bond), was introduced and gave a presentation about the company and an overview of the master plan and timeline in regards to Measure G. There were discussions during the presentation between the committee and the presenter; questions asked and answered. At the end of the presentation the committee members requested a hard copy of the presentation, which Mr. Vaughn committed to providing.

Mr. Tom Ventura of The Seville Group, Inc. (Program Management for Measure G Bond, was introduced and gave a presentation about the company and an overview of the responsibilities and plans in regards to Measure G. There were discussions during the presentation between the committee members and the Presenter; questions asked and answered. At the end of the presentation the Committee Members were given a hard copy of the presentation.

Committee Members requested that the presentations be accessible through the District's website and that there should be some kind of notification that the information is there to access. Mr. Garofalo agreed and assured the Committee Members that he had already considered this and was working on implementation. ([Perkins & Will Presentation](#) | [Seville Group Presentation](#))

There was discussion between committee members and Mr. Garofalo about the Change Order process and whether the classroom doors at Evergreen Valley High School are lockable from the inside. Per Mr. Garofalo, all the doors are lockable from inside the classroom, and this standard will be continued throughout the Bond Program.

Committee Members expressed concern in regards to possible problems that may occur with the projects and who would be responsible. Mr. Garofalo explained that because of the process and with all involved (architect, contractors, etc.), there are many "catch" factors in place and that he doesn't anticipate anything getting by without being caught.

Discussions took place in regards to Quick Start Projects, track and field, and various projects.

Mr. Bill Jakel presented the members with a Measure G Summary Auditors Budget Report. There was discussion, questions and answers, between members, Mr. Jakel and Mr. Garofalo as to what the figures mean and what they are for. Mr. Umphress inquired about getting more detailed financial information on projects, the budget report. Mr. Garofalo asked the committee to keep in mind that the district is at the limit for staffing, when requesting greater details. Mr. Garofalo informed the committee that he can provide the very best he can produce in the amount of time available. Committee was assured that they will get more of a break down of costs, by the next meeting.

Inquiry was made by **Sara Pizemielewski** about charter schools. Mr. Garofalo informed members that the District is presently working on a legal and fair approach of funding the charter schools based on their Average Daily Attendance. Once the formula is approved the charter schools will be receiving some of the Measure G

Bond money. The District has tentatively set aside \$1 million a year for charter schools.

Mr. John Moore questioned if all the Measure G Bonds have been sold. Mr. Garofalo informed the Committee that the District has sold approximately \$60 million.

Mr. Lomonaco mentioned that he would like to see a report on the interest earned on bond money that has not been spent. And, also, verification that a \$10 million loan did go through and is scheduled to be paid back this fiscal year.

Other New Business:

Mr. Garofalo asked the Committee for their ideas regarding a request from a student at Mount Pleasant High School, to do an art project (Mural) for the school's gymnasium, using Measure G funds. The art project would cost \$3 thousand. Some Committee Members expressed concerns and felt that Mr. Garofalo should not recommend spending Measure G funds on this project, for various reasons. One Member expressed that the project may fit under the requirements for Measure G funds. Another expressed that it would not be a priority. After some discussion, there was agreement between members that the funding should and could come from another source other than Measure G. Mr. Garofalo will report the thoughts and feelings of the committee to the board on this matter. Mr. Garofalo thanked the committee for their input. Mr. Garofalo indicated that the final decision would be an administrative one.

Mr. Umphress recommended that each committee member adopt a school. Mr. Garofalo welcomed the committee members to adopt a school and e-mail him with information obtained by touring the school, speaking with the Principal in charge, etc. There was more discussion amongst the members and Mr. Garofalo about being involved in an advisory position and not as advocates for a particular site.

Mr. Garofalo told the committee that they need to know there is still anywhere from 6 months to a year of a lot of behind the scenes activity before you will see full blown construction, and they are not going to rush projects and make mistakes.

Mr. Garofalo discussed the importance of track and field projects being a priority when safety is an issue.

The committee was informed that they will be expected to prepare an annual report for the board. The district and the Bond Management Team will assist the committee with this task.

The next Measure G Bond Oversight meeting is scheduled for November 17, 2003 at 5:30 p.m., 830 N. Capitol Avenue (East Side Union High School District Office) in the Lounge.

* Adjournment took place at 8:03 p.m.

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