

## Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee Minutes

October 16, 2014

The Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee meeting was held on Thursday, October 16, 2014, at the McFarland Unified District Office. The meeting was called to order by Ben Garza at 5:00 pm.

### **ROLL CALL**

Ben Garza  
Gary Pierson  
Jose Hernandez  
Lisa Marroquin-joined at 5:15 pm

### **Absent:**

Kimberly Brown  
Dave Borcky

### **Staff Present:**

Victor Hopper  
Ambelina Garcia Duran  
Sandra Gonzalez  
Michael Doria

### **IV. Pledge of Allegiance**

Jose Hernandez led the committee members and presenters in the Pledge of Allegiance

### **V. Invocation**

Given by Gary Pierson

### **VI. Public Communication**

None

### **VII. Information and Proposals**

A. Community Input

None

B. Reports

1. Kimberly Brown, Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee-was not present

Mr. Garza spoke in her absence. He stated that he liked the progress that he has seen.

2. Victor Hopper, MUSD Superintendent

Mr. Hopper spoke briefly on Mr. Doria's presentation to the School Board at their regular board meeting on Tuesday, October 14, 2014. He stated that the district would be giving themselves plenty of time in order for the new elementary school to be completed by December 2015. Now what the district is focusing on the transferring of staff and that there was a great possibility that the new school would be able to open by January 2016 instead of August 2016. He went on to state that the current board would like to have a study session regarding the new name and mascot of the school. He also discussed briefly with that costs of materials and labor going up.

3. Ambelina Garcia Duran, MUSD Assistant Superintendent of Business Services & Operations

Mrs. Garcia Duran presented the committee with Cost-to-Date financial reports. She gave an overview of the total funds received to date, where those funds have been allocated and used as well as how much of the funds will be left to complete our current projects. She stated that a good thing about costs of material and labor going up also means that the state reimbursement received by us would also go up. Mr. Garza asked what constituted the price increases with labor and material. Mr. Doria answered him stating that when the project was originally originated the economy was slow and that prices were low because the architect was estimating costs at that current rate, since the project has taken about three years those prices have changed.

4. Michael Doria, MUSD Director of Maintenance/Operations/Transportation & Facilities

Michael Doria handed the committee with a project update pamphlet. He discussed the current progress on the new elementary school. He discussed the building of the modular buildings. He also showed the committee color samples of carpet and tile that would be approved for all of the buildings at the new elementary school. He further discussed the quality of the buildings and recommended that once the buildings are put in that the facilities are used as soon as possible. From a construction point of view he does not recommend that the district wait to use the

facilities in August 2016 if they are put in by January 2016. He also went on to discuss the layout of the school.

#### **Action Items**

- A. Approval of the Agenda for the October 16, 2014 meeting

Motion made by Lisa Marroquin to approve October 16, 2014 agenda. Motion seconded by Gary Pierson. Motion passed 4-0.

- B. Approval of minutes for the October 10, 2013 meeting

Motion made by Ben Garza to approve minutes for October 10, 2013 minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

#### **XVI. Advance Planning**

- A. Future Meeting Dates

It was decided to have quarterly meetings. Next meeting date set for the last Thursday of January at 4:30 pm. Location would be at the District Office.

Motion made by Lisa Marroquin for next meeting date to be held on January 29, 2015 at 4:30 pm. Motion seconded by Jose Hernandez. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **VIII. Adjournment**

Ben Garza adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

ABSENT

Kimberly Brown - Chair

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Ben Garza - Vice Chair

ABSENT

Dave Borcky - Member

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Jose Hernandez - Member

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Lisa Marroquin - Member

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Gary Pierson - Member