

Santa Monica Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee MEETING -JANUARY 17, 2007 MINUTES

A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee was held on Wednesday, January 17, 2007 in Business Building Room 111, Santa Monica College, 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica College.

I. CALL TO ORDER - 8:05 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Linda Sullivan, Chair - Present Clarence Chapman - Present Ralph Erickson - Present Veronica Lopez - Absent Eleanore Meyer - Present Belinda Philliips - Present Sylvia Rose - Present Lorraine Sanchez - Present Irma Vargas, Vice-Chair - Absent Allen Weiss - Present

Others Present:

Chui L. Tsang, Superintendent/President Lisa Rose, Committee Coordinator Charlie Yen, Director, Events and Contracts

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 18, 2006

Deferred until next meeting (April 17, 2007).

4. REPORTS and DISCUSSION

<u>Transportation Issues</u>:

- The District closed escrow on property at Stewart and Exposition (formerly Verizon property) to be used for a parking/shuttle lot for SMC students. The property was purchased for \$17.25 million from Measure U funds, is approximately 2.35 acres and will be redesigned for surface parking to accommodate 200-250 vehicles. It is hopeful that the lot will be completed for use by summer, 2007.
- There will be another 300 parking spaces at the Performing Arts Center (Madison) in fall, 2007.
- The District is working with the Big Blue Bus to develop routes to benefit students.
- These efforts are part of a whole solution to transportation challenges. The District plans to address parking, traffic flow, use of public transportation and ridesharing to develop different strategies to improve access for students.
- Visionary solutions include completing a light rail system, using express buses, and increasing on-line instruction.

Bond Issue

The District will issue a \$12 million bond for the purchase and construction at the new parking/shuttle site. The District also refinanced Measure S which will in the long run save the taxpayers \$10 million and generate an additional \$8 million for construction.

Update on Completed Construction

Measure U Projects:

- Liberal Arts North (HSS): History Department has moved in and the punchlist is being completed.
- Liberal Arts South (HSS): Construction is on schedule and should be completed this spring with classes to start in fall 2007.
- North quad: In design, will start construction in summer 2007.

Measure S Projects

- John Adams Soccer Field: The project is being designed; the plans will be submitted to DSA (Department of State Architect) next month.
- Performing Arts Center (Madison); Construction is progressing and is on schedule; the project will be completed for occupancy in fall, 2007.
- Corsair Field: The feasibility study is being completed with extensive input from the neighbors and the City. There will more time to focus on this project when other projects are completed.
- Malibu property: The City of Malibu is taking the lead on identifying property for purchase.

Reports provided to members:

Measure U

- Project Schedule
- Budget
- Expenditures

Measure S

- Project Schedule
- Budget
- Expenditures

Bond Sales/Expenses Report

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

6. ADJOURNMENT - 8:45 a.m.

The next meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee will be held on Wednesday, April 18, 2007 at 8 a.m. (location to be determined).