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Santa Monica Community College District

CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

ANNUAL REPORT, 2003-2004

Submitted to the Santa Monica Community College District

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STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

This Annual Report is submitted to the Board of Trustees by the Santa Monica Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee.

The Committee advises that, to the best of its knowledge, the Santa Monica Community College District is in compliance with the requirements in Article XIIIA, Section I(b)(3) of the California Constitution. In particular, bond revenue has been expended only for the purposes so described in Measure U and, as prohibited by Article XIIIA, Section I(b)(3)(a) of the California Constitution, no funds were used for any teacher or administrative salaries or other operating expenses.

Respectfully Submitted:

Linda Sullivan, Chair
Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

Date: July 21, 2004



Santa Monica Community College District Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

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SUMMARY OF THE COMMITTEE'S PROCEEDINGS AND ACTIVITIES FOR 2003-04

Meetings of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

The Committee conducts its meetings in accordance with provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Public Meetings Act, Government Code Sections 54950 et seq. Meeting notices and agendas are sent to members of the Committee within the required period of time and are also posted at eight SMC campus locations and satellite sites. Meeting notices, agendas, minutes and all documents and reports received by the Committee members are a matter of public record and made available on the SMC website:

(www.smc.edu/admin/trustees/CitizensBondOversightCommittee/default.htm)

July 16, 2003

SMC Business Building Room 111 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica

In accordance with the Bylaws of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, the Annual Report for 2002-03 was prepared and approved for submission to the Board of Trustees.

 Superintendent/President Piedad Robertson presented a report on the District's efforts to seek supplemental funding for Measure U projects on the local, state and federal levels.

Review of Project List and Timeline

Schedule of meetings, 2003-2004

Quarterly meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 8 a.m., location to be determined:

October 15, 2003 January 21, 2004 April 21, 2004

October 14, 2003

SMC Drescher Hall Room 300-E (the Loft) 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica

Report on the purchase of real property at 1738 Pearl Street, Santa Monica

The District has been engaged in the purchase of houses on Pearl Street since the 1980's. The college has been able to move noninstructional functions to the houses which provides space on campus for instructional purposes. In addition, it provides a barrier between the college and the neighborhood. The District has complied with the City by maintaining the residential appearance of the houses while remodeling the interior to meet the needs of the program or services that are housed there.

Review of Measure U Construction Projects Timeline

The Measure U Construction Projects Timeline was reviewed. Some projects have been renamed (#11–14th and Pico Site, and #14–Bundy Campus Improvements). This chart will be adjusted to reflect changes due to funding and construction priorities.

Review of Measure U Project List

The Measure U Project List was reviewed. There is \$13.255 million left in first bond issue. The District is waiting to see what happens with the State economy before deciding about another bond issue.

January 21, 2004

SMC Business Building Room 111 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica

The Committee accepted the resignation of Graham Pope.

The Committee confirmed Linda Sullivan as Chair and elected Paul Leoni to Vice-Chair.

Review of Measure U Construction Projects Timeline

The projects are listed in priority order as determined by the Board of Trustees. The list will be adjusted as projects are completed and/or reordered.

Review of Measure U Project List

Review of Bond Sales

Facilities Update

SMC was placed on the Chancellor's Office "watchlist" because reserves are less than 5 percent. SMC has the second highest paid faculty in the state, and the lowest funding per FTE. That combined with increased costs and drastically reduced funding in 2002-03 resulted in the District falling below the 5% reserve required by the Chancellor's Office. The District will be trying to get back to 5% reserve through growth and equalization, and restore course offerings starting in the summer.

April 21, 2004

SMC Business Building Room 111 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica

Review of Measure U Timeline/Measure U Project List, with specific information provided on the following projects. The report resulted in a discussion about construction costs and bidding methods.

Student Services Building
Emeritus College
Physical Education Temporary Building Replacement
Liberal Arts Replacement
Science Complex Addition
Parking
Bundy Site

The schedule of meetings for 2004-05 was adopted as follows:

Quarterly meetings are scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month at 8 a.m., in Business Building Room 111 (unless otherwise indicated):

July 21, 2004 - annual meeting (reelection of members and election of officers for 2004-2006)* October 20, 2004 January 19, 2005 April 20, 2005

*The following members of the committee are up for re-election:

Paul Leoni
Ed Moosbrugger
Jim Mount
Herb Rose
Herb Reich
Bertrand Staggers
Pierce Watson