

COLLEGE OF THE SEQUOIAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MEASURE I CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

College of the Sequoias
President's Conference Room, Administration Office
915 South Mooney Boulevard
Visalia, CA 93277

Tuesday, April 12, 2011
5:30 pm

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee for Measure I

Betty Anthony, Bob Bricker, Mary Lou Burbery, Jason Chau, Dena Cochran,
Phil Cox, Vanessa DeRoma, Norma Freeborn, Bob Line, Tom Link, Jerry Long

Members Present: Betty Anthony, Bob Bricker, Bob Line, Tom Link, Mary Lou Burbery, Phil Cox, Jerry Long

Members Absent: Dena Cochran, Norma Freeborn, Jason Chau, Vanessa DeRoma

COS Representatives Present:

Bill Scroggins, Superintendent/President
Josh McDonnell, Consultant, Quad Knopf
Eric Mittlestead, Dean, Facilities and Planning
Janet Barbeiro, Executive Assistant to the President

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Bob Line called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Approval of November 9, 2010 Minutes

Betty Anthony moved to approve the minutes; Tom Link seconded the motion. Motion carried. M/S/C. Tom Broderson and Bob Bricker abstained from the vote.

4. Financial Report/Progress Report on Measure I Projects

Dr. Scroggins provided a list of projects with a financial reporting of each program as of March 31, 2011. The Kern Building, which the committee will tour later, has had a change of work scope since the bond passed. The original intent was to remodel using state funds; however, without a state bond passing there are now limited funds from the state and we felt that this project wouldn't be able to compete for future state monies. The needs of the building are such that we will take the money that we were going to use for the match and to do what needs to be done now.

Eric Mittlestead said we have a very short window to complete this project. We are trying to complete the project in 60 days from start to finish. This will allow us to work during the summer when there are no students on campus. We have locked in a lot of contractors with purchase orders.

Dr. Scroggins reviewed each item line by line and answered questions that arose.

Dr. Scroggins explained the new track and how and when public can utilize it. Scheduling and use of the track will first be done for school use and it will be posted for when the public can use it.

The committee requested that all completed items be removed from future updates as they have already been previously reviewed.

Dr. Scroggins said a year from the end of this summer the Kern building, parking lot and track and field will be completed.

Dr. Scroggins said the committee needs to consider future meetings and their frequency as projects are completed. Less frequent meetings will probably need to be considered.

5. Walkthrough of the Kern Building

Eric Mittlestead asked to move to this the end of the meeting. The committee agreed to the tour the Kern Building at the conclusion of the meeting.

6. Layout of the Southwest parking lot

Josh McDonnell handed out copies of the design of the parking lot for the committee. Since the last meeting a number of things have occurred and may raise questions by the committee. The purchase of the homes at the south end of the parking lot was an important component of the bond measure. It didn't cost as much to purchase these homes as anticipated and money was left over. The original plan was to purchase the homes, demolish, and keep the lots to be used as overflow parking until sufficient funds

were found to construct a parking lot. With the cost savings realized by the purchase of the homes and leftover monies it was determined that there was sufficient funds to pave the parking lot. Upon the completion of the purchase of the houses, demolition immediately began. The permit process has begun with the city for a permanent parking lot. There was buy-in from the city on this project. We did not commence any work on the parking lot until all city permits were obtained. The demolition that occurred was always part of the plan and it was permitted early and no work started prior to proper permit issued.

There have been questions in regards to the design of the parking lot itself. Josh explained the design was driven entirely by public safety. To resolve safety concerns it was designed with one way ingress and egress. There will now only be two entrances into the parking lot along with restricted directional exits.

There was huge discussion with the city in regards to future city installed curb and gutter, right-of-way, and future cross section curb gutter and sidewalk.

Dr. Scroggins said the district has also acquired the duplex and we will rent it out until we decide what we are going to do with it.

Eric Mittlestead pointed out to the committee that some of the stalls of the parking run at different directions. This is being done to maximize parking and save the Valley Oak Trees.

Dr. Scroggins also noted the location of the parking ticket meters which is to help the flow of parking.

Bob Line questioned if a blue safety phone will be installed?

Josh stated Safety phones will be installed for student safety. Lighting is also being directed for safety, but also hooded so as to not bother the neighbors.

7. Committee Member Report on Feedback from the Community

Mary Lou Burberry stated it has been very dusty from the heavy moving equipment. Also, she has heard rumor that people will not be able to use the track. She is glad to know that it will be open for the public.

Josh said in regards to the dust from the equipment, the contractor is required to comply with dust requirements. If it continues to please let Eric know so that he can address with the contractors.

Dr. Scroggins said it is in our best interest as a good neighbor to get students to park on campus and not in the neighborhood parking.

Bob Line commented that the public feels better knowing that the blue safety phones are there.

Bob Line suggested to the committee that if you hear anything different that what staff presented to this committee, to please let staff know so that correct information can be given so that rumors are stopped.

9. Date of Next Meeting

After discussion, the consensus of the committee was to meet again after the summer projects are completed. The committee selected September 13, 2011, for their next meeting starting at 5:30 PM.

10. Items for Next Agenda

None.

11. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm. Eric Mittlestead guided those members wanting to tour the facilities.