# Measure Q Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee

District Board Room – District Office 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

## Meeting Minutes for February 20, 2018

**Members Present:** Jim Hossfeld, Bruce Bauer, David Brandt, Alberta Christy, Irma Avila Macias, Kenneth Nguyen, Manuel Peña and Erik Peterson

**District Staff Present:** Peter Hardash, Carri Matsumoto, Adam O'Connor, Dr. Raul Rodriguez and Dr. Linda Rose.

1. Call to Order: Mr. Hossfeld called the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

## 2. Annual Organizational Meeting

The committee elected a chair and vice chair for the next term. Ms. Macias nominated Mr. Hossfeld to continue as chair. A motion to close nominations for Chair was made by Mr. Brandt with a second from Ms. Christy. Mr. Hossfeld was unanimously voted to continue as chair. Ms. Christy was nominated to continue as Vice Chair by Mr. Nguyen, with a second from Mr. Peterson. A motion was made by Mr. Brandt to close nominations for Vice Chair. Ms. Christy was unanimously voted to continue as Vice Chair.

Mr. Hossfeld called for a motion to approve the proposed meeting dates and times for 2018/19. A motion was made by Mr. Peña, seconded by Mr. Bauer and approved unanimously.

Mr. Hossfeld called for a motion to approve the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee Ethics Policy. A motion was made by Mr. Peña, seconded by Mr. Nguyen and approved unanimously.

Mr. Hossfeld called for a motion to affirm the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee Bylaws. A motion was made by Ms. Christy, seconded by Mr. Peña and approved unanimously.

## 3. Approval of Minutes – September 21, 2017

Mr. Hossfeld called for a motion to approve the Measure Q Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Minutes of the September 21, 2017 meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Brandt to approve the minutes with a correction to the spelling of Mr. Brandt's name, seconded by Mr. Bauer and approved unanimously

#### 4. District Update – Dr. Rodriguez

Dr. Rodriguez congratulated Mr. Hossfeld and Ms. Christy on their reappointment as officers. He then discussed his recent attendance at the National Association of Community Colleges conference in Washington DC and the lobbying efforts regarding the DACA amendment. The Board of Trustees continues to be supportive on this issue. He also discussed lobbying efforts regarding the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act, which includes the Pell Grant among other programs. Dr. Rodriguez is optimistic about its reauthorization.

Dr. Rodriguez also discussed the County's homeless relocation issue and the rehabilitation of the Orange Education Center.

- 5. Proposition 39 General Obligation Bonds Measure Q Financial and Performance Audits for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 – Mr. O'Connor/Mr. Robydek Mr. O'Connor introduced Mr. Robydek from the audit firm CliftonLarsonAllen LLP. Mr. Robydek discussed the annual audit process and the audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. The auditors reviewed 72 transactions, comprising 62% of the \$32 million spent for the year. The audit was clean.
- 6. Bond Sale Series B \$70,000,000 Mr. Hardash Mr. Hardash discussed the approval of the Bond measure and the process of selling the bonds approved. The Series B bonds were sold in December 2017 to secure a better interest rate and simpler sale process. Mr. Hardash reviewed the breakdown of fees charged in the bond sale and discussed the premium charged. Santa Ana College will receive \$70 million from the sale, which will primarily go towards the Science Center project. RSCCD has the highest rating for a district of their size. Both credit rating documents are posted on the website.

# 7. Measure Q Projects Update – Ms. Matsumoto Central Plant Project:

This project is complete. The delays had been mitigated and we were able to meet the original schedule. The punch list is currently being completed and the paperwork is being wrapped up. The Science Center, Johnson Student Center, and Health Science Center all are planned to connect to the Central Plant. The plant has been operating for several months now. Initial startup costs will cause a spike in usage but savings will be long term due to efficiency increases.

#### Central Mall:

Grand opening is planned for March 23, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

#### Johnson Student Center:

Demolition has been delayed due to the rejection of a bid. The Board of Trustees approved a lease-leaseback delivery method. Currently prequalifying contractors and waiting for approval from the Division of State Architect. Anticipating demolition in the summer. The new delivery method will allow one continuous project timeline.

#### Science Center:

This project started construction. The J buildings were demolished and the mason wall between the new building and the welding area is currently in construction. There have been some unforeseen conditions but the project is still making good progress.

## Parking Lot at 17th and Bristol:

This project is currently on hold. The lot will be used for overflow parking for contractors during construction projects.

There was a discussion regarding the current parking situation for students at the Santa Ana campus. Ms. Matsumoto discussed the results of a recent study on the parking demand at the campus. The parking is currently deemed sufficient for the demand. The study showed a decrease in parking demand, which is attributed to the bus pass parking as well as a decrease in enrollment. There are no further changes planed in terms of parking reduction. Mr. Peterson discussed feedback from students regarding issues with parking. There was also a discussion regarding improved bike access and projects encouraging bike use.

There has been no change in the budgets since the last meeting. Escalation costs are being monitored.

## 8. Measure Q Financial Report – Mr. O'Connor

Mr. O'Connor discussed the Project Cost Summary Report with the committee. The total prior year expenditures total to \$61.2 million with an additional \$7.5 million in expenditures through December 31, 2017. Current spending is at 67% when factoring in additional interest that has been earned.

## 9. Santa Ana College Update – Dr. Rose

Dr. Rose discussed the parking situation and how scheduling has impacted the demand. Santa Ana College is moving towards a block schedule to assist with demands for parking and other services.

Dr. Rose discussed the recognition of scholar athletes, results or recent baseball and women's basketball games. The women's basketball team is currently tied for fourth place.

The committee was encouraged to visit the campus prior to the Central Mall opening. The fountain is working and the benches are arranged in a manner to encourage interaction. It is anticipated that this will be an inviting place for students to gather. A Facebook Live video of the Central Mall is available and currently has over 56,000 views.

Welcoming stations were present throughout the campus for the beginning of the semester to welcome students and assist in navigating the campus. The student feedback has been positive. There was also a list of open classes available in a booth at the Central Mall for any student looking to add classes.

There was an MOU signing with the Consulate of Mexico in Santa Ana. Students are able to get information about Santa Ana College directly from the booth while at the consulate.

The Don Express hours have been extended to accommodate evening students.

Santa Ana College has a fully online business degree program in collaboration with CSU Fullerton. It is hoped that this program can be expanded to include additional areas of study.

#### Upcoming Events:

- The Santora Building has an exhibition on firefighting artifacts and tools that runs through March 3, 2018.
- Kindercaminata in Parking Lot 11 is scheduled for Friday, March 16, 2018 at 8:15 a.m.
- The Ed Arnold Golf Classic will be taking place at the Mission Viejo Country Club on May 7, 2018 and is sponsored by the Foundation.
- The Faculty and Classified Awards for Excellence will take play on May 10, 2018 in Phillips Hall.
- The Santa Ana College Scholarship and Award Ceremony will take place on May 18, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. in Cook Gym.
- Commencement will take place on May 31, 2018 at 5:30 pm in Eddie West Field.

#### 10. Committee Comments

The committee members shared brief comments. It was discussed that bricks were available for purchase on the Central Mall. The committee was encouraged to attend the Central Mall opening, as well as future committee meetings to address issues of quorum.

There was a motion to dedicate the meeting in memory of Ramsey Aguinaga by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Bauer and approved unanimously.

## 11. Adjournment

Mr. Hossfeld called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Ms. Christy, seconded by Mr. Brandt, and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.