



INDEPENDENT CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
Friday, September 7, 2012
MINUTES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m., by Ron Perez, Facilitator of the meeting.

Members Present: Terry Arding, Jesse Lyn Clark, Thomas Clark, Johnathan Farmer, Rod Jones, John Nabors, Glen Winn

Members Absent: None

District Representatives: Ron E. Ballesteros-Perez, V.P., Finance & Administrative Services
Laura Gropen, Director, Communications, Marketing & Public Affairs
Phyllis Laderman, Director, Fiscal Services
Kelley Hudson-Maclsaac, Interim Director, Facilities
Eileen Poole, Contracts Specialist, Business & Contract Services
Suzanne Sebring, Administrative Assistant, Finance & Administrative Services

Guests: None

Introductions

Ron Perez welcomed back former committee members; commended Glen Winn and Terry Arding for volunteering to serve a second term and introduced and welcomed Johnathan Farmer, new Palomar College student representative to the ICOC. Introductions and roll call followed.

Public Comments

Public comments were solicited. There were none.

Approval of Minutes – June 1, 2012

MSC: Winn/R. Jones, Abstain: J. Farmer

The minutes were approved and will be posted on the ICOC website.

Organizational Business

Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair for FY2012-13

Ron Perez informed the committee that in accordance with the ICOC By-Laws, a Chair and Co-Chair must be elected for fiscal year (FY) 2012-13, effective July 1st through June 30th. Ron called for nominations or volunteers for ICOC Chair. Members of the committee called for the nominations of Terry Arding and Glen Winn. Glen advised members he would decline the nomination since he chaired the committee last fiscal year and recommended the nomination of Terry Arding. Mr. Arding accepted the nomination to serve as ICOC Chair for FY 2012-13 after a unanimous vote.

Ron turned the meeting over to the newly elected Chair and Terry called for nominations or volunteers for ICOC Co-Chair. John Nabors was nominated for the position. After a unanimous vote, Mr. Nabors was elected to serve as Co-Chair for FY 2012-13.

District Reports

Series A & B Project Updates (budget & construction)

Ron asked Phyllis Laderman and Kelley Hudson-Maclsaac to provide budget and construction update reports.



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Financial Report – Phyllis Laderman distributed and gave an overview of the Financial Data Report (Exhibit) for Prop M Bond Series “A” and Series “B” Projects as of August 31, 2012. She also advised the committee the District had closed their books for FY 11-12 and the Auditors would be coming back to complete the final part of their audit, with the report being available in December, 2012. Discussion followed.

Overview of District’s Master Plan 2022

Kelley gave a construction project update presentation to committee members on projects that have been completed, projects in progress and future projects. She also distributed the Construction Activity Report (Exhibit) highlighting the project status on past and current projects. Discussion followed.

State Budget & Fiscal Crisis Impact Update

Ron provided an update regarding the state budget and fiscal situation and the negative impact Prop 30 would have on the District, if it does not pass in the November election. Discussion followed.

UT Watchdog Article

Ron commented the San Diego Union Tribune (UT) Watchdog published an article recently on how schools finance their bond program. Ron told the committee he plans on having the District’s Financial Advisor for Prop M bonds give the ICOC an overview on the funding process used by the District. Discussion followed.

Other

Laura Gropen announced that a groundbreaking ceremony for the renovation project at the Escondido Education Center is scheduled for October 26, 2012 and invitations will be sent to committee members.

Committee member Jesse Lyn Clark announced she is heading up a membership drive through the College’s Foundation Office for Alumni of Palomar College.

Comments from Members

John Nabors commented how Kelley Hudson-Maclsaac does an outstanding job on reporting construction project status to the committee members.

Adjournment

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 1:41 p.m. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for December 7, 2012. Agenda and minutes will be distributed prior to the meeting with a call for agenda items in advance of their distribution.