

Yosemite Community College District
Measure E Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Meeting Minutes

YCCD Board Room
October 7, 2009, 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Verle Bartels, James Cherry, Gary McKinsey, Terry Plett, James West, Frank "Del" Hodges

Members Absent: Patrick Sweeney, Tammy Firch, Billie Taylor, Nick Cretan

Others Present: Matt Kennedy, Tim Nesmith, Mark Newton, Michael Perez, Gary Whitfield, Jones Robin, Walter Masciorini, Nick Stavrianoudakis, Teresa Scott, Graciela Molina (recorder)

1. Call to Order

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) Meeting was called to order by James West at 6:00 p.m. in the YCCD Board Room.

2. Introduction of New Member

James West introduced and welcomed the newest member of the CBOC, Mr. Frank "Del" Hodges. In addition, he announced the resignation of MJC Student Representative Malerie Michael.

3. Approval of Minutes of July 1, 2009 Meeting

The meeting minutes of July 1, 2009 were approved by the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee. A motion was made by Terry Plett and seconded by Gary McKinsey. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0, Frank Hodges abstained from the vote.

4. Comments from the Public

Mr. Walter Masciorini requested public comment, resident at 535 Myrtle Avenue, he lives one block from Modesto Junior College and expressed concern with the densification of buildings on MJC East Campus. Specifically, he expressed concern with the potential impact the new Student Services building will create on the Northeast end of the campus and the lack of parking close to this future building site. He acknowledged the building of the parking lot, but stated it was on the opposite end of campus. He inquired if the District had completed the environmental assessments; he also asked why construction was not restricted to MJC West Campus, due to the increasing lack of space on MJC East Campus. Chair James West informed Mr. Masciorini that the information presented during the meeting may prove to be informative with respect to his public comment.

5. Annual Report

Public Affairs Director Nick Stavrianoudakis reported that according to bylaws the CBOC must produce an annual report to the community and inform the public that YCCD is in compliance with the requirements of Article XIIA, Section 1(b)(3) of the California Constitution. He stated that once approved the annual report is presented to the YCCD Board of Trustees and then released to the public. Nick Stavrianoudakis thanked the annual report subcommittee: Terry Plett, James West, Patrick Sweeney; YCCD Staff: Deborah Campbell, Teresa Scott and Matt Kennedy, Kitchell representative; for their participation and feedback with the 2008-09 Annual Report. Executive Vice Chancellor Teresa Scott thanked Nick Stavrianoudakis for his work and coordination on the annual report. CBOC members approved the annual report and requested that it be forwarded to the YCCD Board of Trustees. Chair James West will present CBOC 4th Annual Report to the YCCD Board of Trustees on October 14.

ADDED DISCUSSION ITEM – Clarification to Public Comment

Mark Newton, Program Director for Kitchell Construction Management Firm, briefly responded to the public comment. He stated that the building referred to at public comment was the Student Services Building. He reported that the site of the building was determined by the college campus with access to Northwest corner-Ag parking lot. The building will provide access to centralized student services. The desire of the campus was to locate the centralized services function on the East Campus. To address the inquiry of environmental assessments, Yosemite Community College District did go through the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review process. It was accepted by the Board of Trustees and recorded with the State. In general, the concept was to try and limit construction on East Campus; YCCD is starting to build 200,000sq/ft to West Campus.

Mark Newton has been working with the District for the past five years and would be willing to provide historical information regarding Measure E. As with most things in Community Colleges, there is a long story with the Student Services Building. Frank Hodges inquired about the environmental review process. Mark Newton reported that the announcement was published, made available at the District Office, posted in main public libraries, with public clearing house and public agencies; there was a 30-day review process after which the YCCD Board of Trustees held a public hearing; the process for the Student Services Building has been finalized and recorded with the State.

6. Bond Update

Mark Newton reviewed the Bond update that was recently provided to the YCCD Board of Trustees. **Modesto Junior College: CEQA Compliance: West Campus:** The notice of determination has been filed with the state; this clears the way for construction on the West Campus. **Allied Health:** The notice of award has been issued, and the contractor is mobilizing. **Softball Complex:** The project is beginning construction and completion is expected in February. **Agricultural Multi Use Pavilion** Notice of Award has been issued and the contractor is mobilizing, the site has been graded. **Science Community Center & GVM:** The project DSA review is in back check and going to bid once approved by DSA. **Student Services:** The project is in DSA for review and approval comments are expected soon. Both **Founders Hall** and the **High Tech Center** are in the design development drawing phase. **Columbia College: Child Development Center:** The project contractor is in construction and near completion which is expected for March 2010. **Science and Natural Resources:** The Notice of Award has been issued and the contractor is mobilizing. **Educational Outreach Facilities Calaveras:** The purchase is moving forward with the County Office of Education. **Oakdale and Turlock** are still in property search. **West Side/Patterson:** The project is in DSA review.

Mark Newton provided two presentations to CBOC members on the MJC West Campus Plaza Design and the Agriculture Modular Housing. **West Campus Plaza Design** – The location of the plaza is on west campus adjacent to the future Allied Health Building and the Science Center. He presented the two Plant Palette alternatives: The Great Valley-Natural Landscape and Agricultural Heritage which is more of a traditional, orchard style. The project committee will review and make a final decision. In response to an inquiry from CBOC Member Frank Hodges on how the Allied Health Building got its name, it was reported that the health sciences are bundled in terms of “Allied Health” and/or “Health Sciences”. Teresa Scott reported that Project Committees make the final project decisions after concepts and feedback have been provided through our participatory governance process, where all constituency groups are represented. **Agricultural Modular Housing Project** – This project will provide housing for MJC Agriculture students at West Campus. The project includes seven premanufactured buildings; each building is 1,440sq/ft and includes a kitchen, living room, laundry room, two bathrooms and four bedrooms. In addition, the project includes parking and

new landscaping. These facilities will allow students to live on campus to care for the livestock. The site work bid March 2009, the engineer estimated the project at \$750,000; the bid came in at \$655,000 which is \$95,000 under budget. The target completion date for this project is December 2009.

7. Project Status Report

For the benefit of new membership, Mark Newton provided an interpretation of the project status report prior to reviewing the report with CBOC members. He noted that the total for column *Measure E Budget (1)* is the total of Measure E Bond that was passed by the voters in 2004.

8. Bond Quarterly Expenditure/Revenue Report

Mark Newton provided an overview of the YCCD Measure E Quarterly Expenditure Report. He informed members that the fiscal year begins July 1 and closes June 30. For this reason, the total expenditures column is listed as of June 30, 2009, coincides with the close of our fiscal year. Encumbrances are contract values that are pending; encumbrances are potential liabilities.

9. Comments from Committee Members

In response to an inquiry from Vice Chair Terry Plett, Chair James West stated he would be presenting the annual report to YCCD Board of Trustees at their October meeting. Vice Chair Terry Plett stated that he would also be in attendance at the meeting. Teresa Scott informed CBOC members that the Board of Trustees meeting is October 14 at Columbia College. Frank Hodges stated that he would also be attending the board meeting.

It was reported that once a year an independent audit is completed. The audit would be presented to CBOC members at their general meeting scheduled January 6.

Nick Stavrianoudakis announced the Allied Health Building Groundbreaking Ceremony on Friday, October 9 at 11:00 a.m. on West Campus and invited CBOC members to attend.

10. Adjournment

Chair James West adjourned the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

The next meeting of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 2010, at 6:00 p.m., in the Yosemite Community College District Board Room.