



Moreno Valley Unified School District
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Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee
Measure M

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Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Tracy Brown, Vice Chair
Debby Johnson, Member
Tim Lyons, Member
Pete Serbantes, Chair
Kendall Shumway, Member
Charles Smith, Member
Keri Then, Member

Members Absent: Delorise Anderson, Member
Marisela Félix-Lopez, Member
Linda Williams, Member

District Representatives Present: Tarana Alam, California Financial Services

District Staff Present: Cheryl Acevedo, Demographics Clerk
Tina Daigneault, Chief Business Official
Ana Gonzalez, Facilities Planner
Alice Grundman, Interim Facilities Director
Rosalie Martinez, Facilities Secretary

1. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.
2. Introductions and Welcome
Mr. Pete Serbantes, Committee Chair, welcomed members of the committee and the public. Mr. Serbantes introduced and welcomed Ms. Tina Daigneault, Chief Business Official and Interpreter, Ms. Beatriz Simonds. He also informed the public to see Ms. Simonds if services are needed.

3. Public Comments on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items

Mr. Bleckert stated that he is not content on the process of the committee meetings and mentioned that the meetings are useless. He feels that the committee is present to shield the school district. Mr. Bleckert further mentioned that twenty-one (21) minutes for public comments is not sufficient enough time for the public to speak.

Speaker no. 2 has concerns with the twenty-one (21) minute timeline for public speaking. He says it's not enough time. He mentioned that his son has been bullied at the school he attends and feels that donations or monies should be applied to try and fix the bullying issue. The speaker said that the only individual who has assisted with his concerns is Dr. Kedziora.

Ms. Quintero stated her concerns are regarding the funds from Measure M and how the funds are being spent. She mentioned Edgemont as an example by saying that students are in portables, there are no trees, and the school is surrounded in dirt. She questions how the students are supposed to continue in such conditions for three years. She also asked why it will take so long to complete the project. She further has concerns about the small parking area, and the traffic surrounding the school. Although her children do not attend Edgemont, she did say that the schools her children attend should also be improved, particularly the restrooms. She feels that the projects are not well planned nor are the conditions. She mentioned that she voted no on Measure M but still has to pay. Ms. Quintero stated that the funds are not being spent wisely.

Mr. Pete Serbantes inquired with the public in attendance and asked, how many parents have students who attend Edgemont. He further asked Ms. Quintero which schools her children attend. She responded Moreno Valley High School and Serrano.

Mr. Serbantes requested that the Moreno Valley High School restrooms be addressed for the upcoming Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meeting.

Mr. Quintero mentioned that his student attends Moreno Valley High School. He feels that the district needs to prioritize and improve the classrooms. He stated that the Measure M Bond describes improving technology. He says he hasn't seen any changes in this area. His opinion is that the restrooms at Moreno Valley High School should have been upgraded rather than reconstructing the gym and other far less important areas such as adding trees and painting. Mr. Quintero would like information on the contractors being used and would like transparency.

Ms. Espinoza mentioned her concern regarding the way the Measure M ballot reads. Some of the areas of improvement listed on the ballot besides facilities improvements are career training and technology. She feels that none of these areas have been discussed nor improved upon. Another concern she has is the hour the meetings are being held. She suggests that the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee meetings be held at a later time so that the people of the community are able to attend. Her opinion is that due to work hours few individuals are in attendance at these meetings.

Mr. Serbantes thanked Ms. Espinoza for her comment.

Ms. Murillo was called up next for comments, but did not wish to speak until each agenda item is presented.

Mr. Serbantes stated to all attendees that agenda and non-agenda items are up for discussion, and that now is the opportunity for comments.

Ms. Murillo stated that she has a right to speak on any item per the Brown Act, and that the committee violates her rights of the Brown Act.

Ms. Lopez was called on to address her concerns to the committee by Mr. Serbantes more than once. She was not present, the committee was unable to hear her comments.

Ms. Ramos greeted the committee and attendees. She is a resident of Moreno Valley and has concerns about the taxes she is paying. She feels that the Measure M funds are not clear on how they are being applied. She says that the community would like to be reassured that the funds are being spent in the best way possible for our schools and city.

Ms. Murillo requested to record the meeting.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Meeting No. 5

The committee reviewed minutes from the last meeting. The committee approved the meeting minutes from meeting no. 5, all AYES.

The public requested copies of the minutes. Ms. Johnson agrees that the public have copies of all documents. Mrs. Alice Grundman mentioned to the public that all the information is available on the Moreno Valley Unified School District's website.

Meeting minutes from meeting no. 5 and handouts were provided to the public.

Ms. Then stated that all committee members should be provided with copies of the financial reports a week or two prior to future Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meetings. Mr. Serbantes asked for any thoughts on the financial report. Ms. Then suggested the committee wait until the agenda item is presented.

Mr. Charles Smith made a motion to approve meeting minute's no. 5, and Mr. Kendall Shumway second the motion.

5. Brief Overview of Projects

Mrs. Alice Grundman discussed the facilities project updates and went over the *Review of Measure M and other Facilities Projects Status Report* regarding various sites and details of the work the projects are currently undergoing. She explained the different funding sources for each project and informed attendees that Measure M is only one source of the district projects funding.

A speaker requested to comment on this item. Mr. Serbantes informed the speaker that the comment may be made during agenda item no. 8.

Ms. Debby Johnson requested the breakdown of funding sources for each project be provided.

Ms. Keri Then mentioned that there is a discrepancy on the numbers provided in the financial report.

6. Review of Expenditure Report

Ms. Tarana Alam explained details of the financial report provided including the breakdown of the funding sources.

Ms. Keri Then mentioned that the bond money is the committee's main concern. She would like to differentiate the Measure M funds and other sources of funding.

Ms. Alam explained that the details of the various funding sources are provided in the financial report.

Ms. Then asked when the next bond issuance is scheduled for. Ms. Alam responded that it is tentatively scheduled to be issued in 2018. Issuance of funds to date: \$ 101,929,000.

Ms. Alam also mentioned Prop 51 on the ballot.

Ms. Then mentioned the security camera project referencing the financial report. Per Ms. Grundman the security camera project for high schools is complete.

Ms. Then inquired about the other projects listed on the financial report being funded by sources other than bond funds. Although the information is well received she did mention that the committee should be concentrating on Measure M only. Mrs. Grundman explained that there are other projects within the Moreno Valley Unified School District that are underway, not necessarily bond funded projects.

Ms. Then requested that the committee receive the financial report prior to the day of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meetings. She mentioned that with so much analysis and information on the report, the committee needs enough time for review prior to the meeting. Ms. Alam reassured that the reports will be provided in a timely manner.

Ms. Johnson inquired about the technology improvements at the sites and when it will reflect at the sites. Mrs. Grundman stated that when a site is being upgraded so is the technology. Some upgrades include, smart boards, projectors, computers, as well as the infrastructure, etc. More information may be provided at the upcoming meeting.

Mr. Serbantes mentioned that all projects within Moreno Valley Unified School District, whether it's Measure M or other funding sources, are to enhance the sites.

Mr. Shumway mentioned that although the committee is representing Measure M it's great to have an overview of all the projects, especially for public information.

Ms. Alam went over Emergency Repair Program (ERP) funding and other funding sources. She will provide more detail on the financial report regarding Measure M for the upcoming Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meeting.

7. Future Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Meeting Dates

Mr. Serbantes stated that the next Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meeting should take place during the first quarter of next year. All committee members agree to schedule the meeting.

Ms. Then suggests that the scheduled hour of the Citizens Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meeting should be reviewed and changed to be able to accommodate the community. Per Mrs. Grundman the committee may vote on changing the hour for future meetings.

Ms. Then suggested the next meeting be held on March 9, 2017 from 5:30 p.m.- 7:00 p.m. at the Bridges Learning Center. All committee members voted and approved the hour change, all AYES.

Ms. Grundman recommended the committee take a tour of the project sites. Mr. Serbantes suggested scheduling two (2) tours. The tours will be coordinated at a later date.

8. Questions and Comments

A speaker made a comment that Mr. Serbantes should be more respectful and professional.

Mr. Bleckert thanked the committee for changing the hour of future meetings. He suggests that a microphone be available at meetings and that ADA requirements are met. Mr. Bleckert feels that the public is not receiving full information and documentation as he has addressed in the past. He also stated that the committee is supposed to be representing the public and to reassure that the community is well informed.

Ms. Fernandez commented that she is ashamed that Mr. Serbantes doesn't support the Hispanic community.

Ms. Siordia stated that she is content with the hour change for future meetings. She inquires as to the purpose of the Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meetings. Ms. Siordia commented that Mr. Serbantes ignores public concerns. The public wants to know where funds are being applied, and that the district and committee need to provide documentation as requested.

Mr. Serbantes and Mrs. Grundman stated that the questions and comments section of the agenda, item no. 8 is directed to the committee, not the public.

Mr. Charles Smith suggested that the information regarding the Brown Act be provided to the public so that rules and guidelines are applied.

Ms. Tina Daigneault stated that the committee is only required to meet once a year. The committee agreed to meet four (4) times per year as a courtesy.

Ms. Johnson stated that one meeting would not have much benefit. The committee meetings will provide the public with transparency and more accountability.

Ms. Then suggests microphones be provided.

Mr. Serbantes requests that the Bridges Learning Center multipurpose room be reserved for future Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meetings.

Ms. Johnson advised all attendees to sign the sign-in sheet so district staff and the committee have an estimate of the number of attendees to expect.

Mr. Serbantes thanks all the members for being a part of the Measure M Committee. He also mentioned that he is a resident of Moreno Valley and that all of his children have attended schools within the Moreno Valley Unified School District.

9. Meeting Adjourned: 5:01 p.m.