# Firebaugh Las Deltas Unified School District **Bond Oversight Committee Minutes**

# Orientation Committee Meeting

July 24, 2017 Monday, 05:30 PM

Firebaugh -Las Deltas Unified School District District Office Conference Room 1976 Morris Kyle Drive Firebaugh, California

#### Attendees

Russell Freitas

Superintendent

Susan Ramirez

Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Gilbert Coelho

FLDUSD Board President

David Soldani

Legal Counsel, AALRR

Jose Ochoa

Veronica Navarro

Isabel Mendoza

Joel Allen

Phillip Lien

#### Absent

Sadie Navarro Alfredo Rodriguez

## 1. Introduction of Members and Staff

#### Minutes

Superintendent Russell Freitas called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and introduced our newest committee member, Phillip Lien who will serve on our committee as the Bona Fide Tax Payers' Organization. Mr. Lien gave a brief bio on himself. He is a Certified Public Accountant and has been employed by William Davis Farms for the past six years. Everyone in attendance shared their background and involvement in the school and community.

# 2. Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum

#### Minutes

On the call of roll at 5:30 p.m. the following were noted present: Russell Freitas, Superintendent; Gilbert Coelho, School Board President; Susan Ramirez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent; Joel Allen, Jose Ochoa, Veronica Navarro (arrived at 5:45 p.m.) Isabel Mendoza

Absent: Sadie Navarro, Alfredo Rodriguez

# 3. Welcome

## Minutes

Superintendent Russell Freitas asked if anyone had any questions regarding the information they received via email which included everything that was in the binders that were given to them this evening. There were no questions at this time.

## 4. Public Comments

#### Minutes

There were no public comments made at this time.

### 5. Select President

#### Minutes

Superintendent Russell Freitas opened the nominations for President of the Bond Oversight Committee. There was a motion by Joel Allen, seconded by Phillip Lien to nominate Jose Ochoa as President. Hearing no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Superintendent Freitas asked for a vote:

Aves: Joes Allen, Phillip Lien, Isabel Coronado Mendoza, Jose Ochoa

Noes: None

Absent: Sadie Navarro, Veronica Navarro, Alfredo Rodriguez

Abstain: None

# 6. Select Vice-President

# Minutes

Superintendent Russell Freitas opened the nominations for Vice-President of the Bond Oversight Committee. There was a motion by Jose Ochoa, seconded by Isabel Coronado Mendoza to nominate Joel Allen as Vice-President. Hearing no further nominations, the nominations were closed and Superintendent Freitas asked for a vote:

Ayes: Joes Allen, Phillip Lien, Isabel Coronado Mendoza, Jose Ochoa

Noes: None

Absent: Sadie Navarro, Veronica Navarro, Alfredo Rodriguez

Abstain: None

# 8. Review of Construction Budget & Expenditures

# **Minutes**

Phillip Lien asked if we had a scope of work for the Projects that are being done at Mills and the Firebaugh High Schools?

Superintendent Russell Freitas shared that the next two projects will be at the Firebaugh High School; the Wrestling Room will be relocated and expanded; and there will be a construction of a new Performing Arts/Weight Room. The swimming pool was supposed to another of our next projects, but it has become a challenge. With the proposed changes that were scheduled to begin we found out that we would still not be able to use the pool for competitive swimming. They are currently looking at other options. It

may be; that we will have to look at other funding sources in order to do the work if the retrofit is too expensive. Maybe we can do a joint use agreement or grant with the City or County. Veronica Navarro asked what the benefits were for improving the pool? Mr. Freitas shared that we can't practice in our pool as the shallow end isn't deep enough to dive off the blocks. We have a large swim team and they struggle being competitive since they don't have the practice facilities they need to compete at the top level.

Mr. Freitas asked if the members of this committee would be interested in also serving on our Surplus Property Advisory Committee (aka "7-11 Committee"). This committee will hold a public hearing with community members who attend and make a decision on a recommendation to the Board of Trustees on the sale of District owned surplus property. The members agreed to serve on the Advisory Committee.

# 9. Meeting Schedule

#### Minutes

Meetings will be held on the last Monday of the months of January, April, July & October

Monday, July 24, 2017 Monday, October 30, 2017 Monday, January 29, 2018 Monday, April 30, 2018

All meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be held in the District Office Conference Room

# 10. Adjournment

There was a motion by Jose Ochoa, seconded by Veronica Navarro to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Joel Allen, Phillip Lien, Isabel Coronado Mendoza, Jose Ochoa Veronica Navarro

Noes: None

Absent: Sadie Navarro, Alfredo Rodriguez

Abstain: None

Jose Ochoa, President Bond Oversight Committee

Joel Allen, Vice-President Bond Oversight Committee