



Moreno Valley Unified School District
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Moreno Valley, CA 92553

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee
Measure M

http://www.mvUSD.net/divisions/business_services/facilities_planning___development/measure_m

Meeting Minutes

- Members Present:
- Tracy Brown, Vice Chair
 - Marisela Félix-Lopez, Member
 - Debby Johnson, Member
 - Tim Lyons, Member
 - Pete Serbantes, Chair
 - Kendall Shumway, Member
 - Charles Smith, Member
 - Keri Then, Member
 - Linda Williams, Member
- Members Absent:
- Delorise Anderson, Member
- District Representatives Present:
- Hamid Yosafi, California Financial Services
- District Staff Present:
- Stephanie Alexander, Accounting Technician
 - Elvia Anderson, District Translator
 - Amy Freeman, Account Clerk
 - Ana Gonzalez, Facilities Planner
 - Alice Grundman, Interim Facilities Director
 - Rosalie Martinez, Facilities Secretary
 - Darryl Scott, Director of Safety and Security
 - Francine Story, Interim Chief Business Official
 - Tim McGillivray, Public Information Officer

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:31 p.m.

2. Introductions and Welcome

Mr. Pete Serbantes, Committee Chair, welcomed members of the committee and the public. All members and attendees introduced themselves.

Mr. Serbantes introduced the District Translator, Ms. Elvia Anderson. He informed the public to be seated by Ms. Anderson for translation services.

A speaker stated that the translator provided for meeting no. 5 is not state certified. Mr. Serbantes inquired with Ms. Story and confirmed that Ms. Anderson is certified by the District.

A speaker requested to speak and voice his concerns immediately. Mr. Serbantes advised that the speaker complete a comment card, and informed him that his concerns would be addressed in a timely manner.

3. Public Comments on Agenda Items

Speaker no. 1 stated that code regulations indicate the committee shall meet only four times per year. Mr. Pete Serbantes advised him to complete a comment card. Mr. Serbantes further directed the public to do the same.

Speaker no. 2 stated the Measure M link on the Moreno Valley Unified School District website is not transparent. He mentioned that it was agreed upon at the last Citizens' Oversight Committee Meeting that this would be simplified, and mentioned that he was unable to locate any information regarding Measure M. He feels that the Measure M Committee is not following up on what was discussed at the last meeting. In response, Ms. Francine Story reassured that the agenda and information pertaining to Measure M is easily accessible on the MVUSD website.

Speaker no. 3 stated that she has information regarding the Independent Citizen Bylaws. She also stated that the committee shall only meet quarterly. She requested that the agenda be posted on the Moreno Valley Unified School District website in a timely manner for the public to view prior to future meetings.

Speaker no. 4 stated that the committee is not following the Brown Act. She voiced her concern and stated that the public should be able to speak on any agenda item at the time it is being presented. The attorney present stated that questions and comments may be reviewed as the agenda items are presented.

Speaker no. 5 would like information on the Bylaws and inquired if the committee plans on modifying them. Mr. Serbantes stated that the protocol for public speaking would be reviewed and modified as District guidelines indicate.

The legal advisor present stated that the committee should establish a resolution. He also stated that there is no law prohibiting the committee from holding a 'special meeting'.

A speaker addressed Mr. Pete Serbantes, she expressed that she is not content in the manner that the public is being addressed by the committee.

4. Approval of Meeting Minutes from Meeting No. 4

The committee reviewed minutes from the last meeting. The committee approved the meeting minutes from meeting no. 4, all AYES.

The public requested copies of the minutes from meeting no. 4, they were provided.

5. Review of Board of Education Bylaw 9323(b) Section 5

Mr. Pete Serbantes reviewed bylaws with the committee.

- Ms. Keri Then stated that the amount of time for public speaking totals 42 minutes on Non Agenda and Agenda Items.
- Ms. Tracy Brown stated that the 21 minutes should be sufficient time for public speaking.
- Ms. Debby Johnson stated that more time for public speaking should be available. She also stated that the committee may be able to streamline the meeting to be able to provide more public speaking time.
- Mr. Pete Serbantes stated that the consensus is 3 minutes of public speaking per person.
- Ms. Keri Then stated that the time for public speaking may be increased as per the bylaws.
- Mr. Pete Serbantes proposed that the Non Agenda Items be removed for now and utilized as needed. A vote to remove non agenda items was presented by Mr. Pete Serbantes, 8-Ayes, 1-Naye.
- A speaker had comments regarding being able to speak on an agenda item at the time of discussion, and would like to know why the committee is changing the bylaws. Mr. Serbantes stated that COC-Citizens' Oversight Committee is adopting district board policy for speaker protocol.
- Ms. Keri Then recommends the acronym list be provided to the public.

6. Review Member Biographies

Due to time constraint, this did not take place

7. Review Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (COC) Annual Report

The committee reviewed the time to report the COC –Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Annual Audit Report. Mr. Serbantes stated that some corrections will need to be made prior to the presentation.

Ms. Francine Story presented the expenditures. She stated that the consultant from California Financial Services will provide input and more details at a future meeting for review.

The expenditure report was reviewed by Mr. Pete Serbantes and CFS – California Financial Services Consultant, Mr. Hamid Yosafi.

Ms. Keri Then mentioned some requirements of the expenditure report, overall presentation of the projects and details. She stated that the report should be detailed first by project and secondly by code. Ms. Debby Johnson also agreed that a reference should be provided, and added that the presentation should be clear and precise.

Mr. Pete Serbantes requests that the project expenditure information be available on the Moreno Valley Unified School District website. He suggests that the website be updated monthly for public viewing. Ms. Francine Story stated that this information may be posted, and is available upon request.

Ms. Keri Then suggested the committee make a decision on the items to be provided at the August 2 Board Meeting. The committee reviewed the presentation for a decision. The short version presentation was voted on, all AYES.

8. Brief Overview of Projects

Due to time constraint, this did not take place

9. Future Citizens' Oversight Committee Meeting Dates: Quarterly

10. Next Meeting Dates: Thursday, October 20, 2016

11. Questions and Comments

Mr. Shumway reminded the public that the committee is part of the public voice.

Ms. Tracy Brown stated that the committee is a voice for the public and that they want people to voice their concerns.

Mr. Charles Smith suggests that the committee follow up on the construction of the projects underway within the District.

Ms. Keri Then inquired about a county assessor being present at future CBOC meetings.

A speaker stated that a microphone is required, and questions why there is not one available.

Ms. Debby Johnson explained to the public that the committee is here to voice public concerns and are part of the community.

Ms. Francine Story stated that all items provided to the committee including financial reports will be available on the MVUSD Website.

12. Meeting Adjourned: 5:09 p.m.