



**MEASURE D CITIZEN'S OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

July 15, 2008

Minutes

The meeting of the Measure D Citizen's Oversight Committee was held at, 6500 Soquel Drive, room 804A, Aptos, CA on Tuesday, July 15, 2008 at 10:00 am.

Present: Rodney Brooks, Diane Craddock, Bob Petersen, Kris Reyes, Lou Tuosto, Bud Winslow

Absent: Leflora Cunningham

Cabrillo College staff members in attendance: Paul Anderson, Pegi Ard, Doug Deaver, Rob Ingram, Brian King

Kris called the meeting to order at 10:08 am.

I. Certificates of Appreciation:

Brian distributed certificates of recognition for service of the founding members of the committee.

II. Agenda Modifications

Rodney suggested adding comments from outgoing board members.

III. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of April 22, 2008 were approved (Tuosto/Petersen).

IV. Comments from the Public: Kris asked if there were any comments from members of the public. There were none.

V. Project Status update

- The Student Activities Center (SAC): Rob stated that the building is substantially complete and occupied. Pegi asked about the status of Internet café. Plans are currently in DSA. DSA won't release the plans until all paperwork for the building (other than the café) has been submitted and the building certified by DSA. The project was completed a year late and the District has settled all contractor claims except two. One was a significantly underperforming contractor.
- Arts Education Classrooms (AEC): Rob explained that the project progress is going well and will be open for classes in the fall with everyone very actively involved in getting the buildings finished. The theater and music recital hall are more complicated and will be complete in the spring of 2009. Flat roofs are poured and ready for winter; and it is hoped that the slanted roofs will be ready for winter as well. Brian noted that Rob led the tour with the Friends of Cabrillo recently and everyone

was impressed. Pegi also noted that we received many kudos from the recent chancellor's office staff visit for design, big classroom space, and the flexibility of the buildings.

- Allied Health. Paul explained that the parking structure is complete and the District is awaiting certification. Site work issues have been resolved. Documents will be submitted to DSA this week. With regard to the classroom buildings: footing will start next week and take up to 6 weeks. Work should begin out of ground by October 15<sup>th</sup>. Staff has received a lot of advice from Wilson, the plumbing and mechanical contractor. The best detailer in company is working on the project, he is very proactive and is doing a great job, progress is moving along briskly.
- Watsonville Library Acquisition: Pegi signed papers yesterday; the purchase is complete. A great team is working on the Industrial Technology Education Center (ITEC) and it will be a LEED certified building. Trafton Street will be closed; demolition starts this fall. The city is responsible for some of the asbestos abatement. Demolition and recycling gives points toward certification at the platinum level (52 points, 42 for gold, 32 for silver. The max is 62 points. To have a building certified at the platinum level costs more, approximately 10-40% more in soft costs for design. Bob asked what is the payoff for LEED certification? Paul replied that LEED buildings use less energy, uses materials that are better for the environment, and it creates good PR potential. Bud noted that it may produce some cost savings with utilities and some maintenance savings. There will potentially be cooling tubes instead of air conditioning. Rodney asked about rainwater storage. It could be stored in tanks and reused on the site. Rodney asked for clarification because he thought this building was going to be for diesel mechanics. Paul replied that was an early consideration, but as Watsonville High has a great auto shop that is underutilized Cabrillo decided to focus on construction, energy management and photo voltaic programs. Kris congratulated staff on the acquisition of the library property noting that it was a big part of the ballot measure and he is pleased to see the promised delivered to our citizens. Brian commented that staff did a good job negotiating the asbestos removal and final price. Staff was also commended on getting Trafton Street closed. The residents are pleased. The Church members have an issue. They are concerned that closing Trafton Street and providing access through the parking lot will not provide the access necessary for the Church and the activities they sponsor. Kris noted again that during the bond campaign North County and Watsonville expansion were promised and he is pleased to be working with a group that keeps their promises.
- Scotts Valley. Staff is developing an educational master plan to look at future needs of residents and to decide what are the next steps. Classes are held this summer.
- Secondary Effects space planning. The space planner will prepare an initial proposal presentation for flex week. Building 300 will be renovated according to a proposal submitted five years ago securing state funding. The building will consist of 10 generic classrooms, 2 meeting rooms, and several offices all generic. Construction must start by June 2009 to secure state funding. The project for Allied Health

Secondary Effects was supposed to be funded through a state ballot initiative this November; however, with no initiative, the project has been moved out two years.

VI. Comments from outgoing committee members:

Rodney stated that it is exciting to look back and see the progress made. What is not to be proud of and feel good about? He is pleased to see the campus grow and prosper. Staff deserves tremendous recognition for transparency and hard work. This was an ideal bond committee.

Lou noted that it has been a pleasure to serve and see staff efficiency in getting things done. His goals have been fulfilled and he is proud to have been a part of it. The campus now feels like a university campus, and he can't wait for completion of the projects.

Kris stated that it has been great to see things happening on campus and feels he is leaving Cabrillo better off than when we started. There were some challenges that the committee faced during his 4 year term, such as the grand jury review and the inability 4 years ago to find contractors, but things have definitely changed. The committee owes a debt to staff for obtaining DSA approvals; the number of hoops to jump through are mind boggling. It has been really fun to be part of these projects and is a source of personal pride for him.

Bob noted that the original founding committee has done a tremendous job, and that the results are out there for all of us to enjoy. Promises were made to the voters and kept, which makes the job of the committee simple right now.

Pegi noted that it is fascinating to hear these comments and that it is important for staff to step back and enjoy the results of their work. We spend a lot of time being concerned about expenditures and potential claims, the negative stuff. It is really nice to hear these kudos from the committee. Bob noted that the perseverance in the details over time makes it appear simple. Lou also noted that he did not feel buried in the negative from staff; that, in fact, the committee was free to do what we had to do as an oversight committee because staff took the pressure. It was done purposefully and well.

V. Annual Report: A draft was emailed to committee. Kris will present it to the Board in September. The format works well. The numbers will be as of June 30, 2008. Board will approve numbers before in report.

Brian thanked the committee for their service. With regard to the grand jury investigation, he noted that Kris drew on his considerable experience, which was very helpful, and the college put together a communication plan during the summer which generated a lot of positive media coverage. By the time Brian appeared before the grand jury, they were very friendly.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 10:00 am in SAC 225.

The meeting was adjourned by Kris at 10:49 a.m.