

THE PERRIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
(Measure Z – Approved by District Voters on November 2, 2004)
District Administration Center
CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING
January 26, 2011 - MINUTES
5:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT: Bob Duke, Member
Mark Hickman, Member
Lee Tankesley, Member

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

ATTENDING: Candace Reines, Assistant Superintendent,
Business Services
Crystal Guimond, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS ATTENDING: Daniele Sheridan, Bowie, Arneson, Wiles & Giannone (via telephone)

CALL TO ORDER

Mark Hickman called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Hickman led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL (Establishment of a Quorum)

Mr. Hickman determined that a quorum was established. Members absent were: Barry Busch.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were presented or submitted.

WELCOME LEE TANKESLEY

Those in attendance welcomed Lee Tankesley to the committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

It was moved to elect Mark Hickman as President by Bob Duke and seconded by Lee Tankesley.

VOTE: Ayes 3, Noes 0, Absent 1

It was moved to elect Lee Tankesley as Vice President by Mark Hickman and seconded by Bob Duke.

VOTE: Ayes 3, Noes 0, Absent 1

It was moved to elect Candace Reines as Secretary by Bob Duke and seconded by Mark Hickman.

VOTE: Ayes 3, Noes 0, Absent 1

ADOPT JANUARY 13, 2010 MEETING MINUTES

It was moved to adopt the January 13, 2010 minutes by Brady McCarron and seconded by Mark Hickman.

VOTE: Ayes 3, Noes 0, Absent 1

DISTRICT PROJECT UPDATE BY THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF BUSINESS SERVICES

Ms. Reines highlighted the Measure Z related projects and spoke briefly regarding other facilities projects in the District.

Pinacate Middle School Phase I – the portables were relocated. The original plans “fell by the wayside at DSA; we are currently waiting for approval before beginning on the construction portion. We are working with the architects and anticipate construction beginning in May 2011 with completion in August 2012.

Ms. Reines explained the process for the District’s unsuccessful application for a Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) allocation last year as the program was oversubscribed. The District applied again this year, and the program was again oversubscribed. The first qualifier was a specific post mark date, which the District met. The second qualifying item was to have projects with DSA approval. It was not required to use the monies received on the particular project; the money could be used on another project. The District used the ARC at Heritage High School (ARC) as its qualifying project, which already had DSA approval.

ARC - earthwork has begun; the Groundbreaking Ceremony was in November 2010.

The Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Station - opened last month.

PHS Stadium – final drawings were submitted to DSA in December 2010.

HHS and PHS Classroom Buildings – these projects are both for growth; we are ready to go if and when funding is secured. They will be done in priority order.

High School #4 – developing the specifications for this project in order to be eligible for future State funding.

High School #5 – going through required environmental studies. This will be a longer process as there are a lot of neighbors. Dealing with HS #4 will be considered a “piece of cake” compared to the community outreach that will be needed for HS #5. The concept of the high school will need to fit in with the community (one story buildings). Ms. Reines asked for questions.

Mr. Duke asked if she would mind speaking in the Romoland area to explain about HS #5? Ms. Reines agreed, and Mr. Duke will ask Brenda Salas to contact Ms. Reines.

FILE FINANCIAL AUDITS

It was moved to receive and file the Financial Audits ending June 30, 2008, June 30, 2009, and June 30, 2010 by Mark Hickman, seconded by Lee Tankesley.

VOTE: Ayes 3, Noes 0, Absent 1

APPROVE ANNUAL REPORTS

It was moved to approve the Annual Reports for 2007-08, 2008-09, and 2009-10 by Mark Hickman, seconded by Bob Duke.

VOTE: Ayes 3, Noes 0, Absent 1

UPDATE ON MEASURE 'Z' BOND FUND PROJECT AND MEASURE 'Z' FUND EXPENDITURES

Ms. Reines shared the report of expenditures. Not much had transpired since the previous COC meeting. Escrow closed on HS #4, so it was moved up to completed projects. It should be noted that the PHS Track/Field and the PMS Phase I additions will be moved as these are completed. There are no undesignated bond proceeds left. Mr. Duke asked if the state of the economy had an impact on these projects and the utilization of all of the funds. Ms. Reines confirmed that other funding sources would need to be utilized besides Measure Z.

SUGGESTIONS FOR ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS AND COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

There was some discussion about the construction managers for the District. Mr. Hickman commented that both being utilized are very good. He was concerned as bond money is in construction managers hands. He and Ms. Reines spoke about PJHM Architects and their good reputation in the industry.

DISCUSSION/SCHEDULING FOR NEXT COC MEETING

Mr. Hickman suggested having the next meeting at Pinacate Middle School, so the committee could see the progress of construction at the site possibly in August or September. Ms. Reines said that we would be able to judge the right time for the visitation and meeting based on how the project progressed. Everyone agreed. Crystal will contact everyone on the committee once a date is determined.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Mark Hickman and seconded by Bob Duke to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

VOTE: Ayes 3, Noes 0, Absent 1