Wiseburn School District Measure A Bond Oversight Committee April 27, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

- Roger Banuelos, community member, Chair
- Cindy Parsons, community member, Secretary
- Danny Juarez, community member
- Andrew Goslin, community member
- Russell Kehl, community member
- Anne Kerschner, community member
- Tom Cox, Wiseburn School District staff
- Brian Meath, Wiseburn School Board member

Agenda Items:

- 1) January 26, 2009 meeting minutes: reviewed and approved as amended.
- 2) Review of Measure A Revenues, Expenditures and Fund Balance (as of 3/31/09)

Total Payanua (handana)	
Total Revenues (bond proceeds + interest + bond issuance refund)	\$33,585,330.63
I otal Expenditures (for Cabrillo School)	\$23,841,177,48
Transfer of Expenditures to State Fund 35 (state funding)	\$4,998,314.00
Net Expenditures (for Cabrillo School)	\$18,842,863.48
Measure A Fund 21.3 Balance (as of 3/31/09)	\$14,742,467.15
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- Remaining expenditures for Cabrillo School: approximately \$600,000:
 - Project winding down.
 - o Change Orders came in lower than budgeted.
 - Ongoing architect fees to close out with DSA.
- New expenditure line items:
 - o Marquis (both frame & external sign), paid in last quarter.
 - Restriping of parking lot (per Hawthorne Police recommendation to make dropoff and pick-up safer).
 - Audit report.
- Question: why has the construction fencing line item not been closed out?
 - o Are still paying bills.
- Comment (Andrew): it would be nice to see estimates next to actual expenses.
 - o Tom will email out to committee.
- 3) Measure A Bond Information on District Webpage
 - Separate webpage for Bond Oversight Committee information.
 - Include link to committee webpage on Wiseburn School District (WSD) website.
 - Content:
 - Names of committee members with brief bio (optional):
 - Due date for bios: 2 weeks (Roger will compile).
 - Facilities Master Plan (as discussed in committee meetings) Tom will prepare and discuss with Brian Meath.
 - Measure A Information:
 - Post ballot language.
 - Post information from voter handbook? (multipage .pdf file).

- Meeting Schedule, agendas and minutes:
 - Need to revisit notes from past meetings to confirm want to publish.
 - Have not been physically posting Bond Oversight Committee agendas and minutes.
- o Coming Events / Future Projects (e.g. Burnett groundbreaking).

Comments:

- Include committee contact information.
 - Roger volunteered to provide his email and phone number on webpage.
 - Suggestion to create email address that forwards to committee members.
 - Roger will forward emails received.
 - Committee members provide their email addresses to Roger.
- Include pictures of projects (already posted on Wiseburn School District webpage).

4) Potential Future Projects

- a) Solar Power
 - Had conference call with Larry Eisenberg to discuss the Community College District's solar program.
 - Tom Cox was contacted by Ruben Rojas; will schedule a meeting with Bill Denney (WSD maintenance staff) to scope out costs:
 - Possibly schedule next week (May 5 or 6).
 - o Danny suggested contacting Jackie Bacharach (South Bay COG).
 - Tom Cox wants someone to provide information and put together complete package for WSD.

b) Burnett Project update

- o Want to start before summer.
- o Waiting for DSA approval of drop-off plans.
 - Architect sent letter responding to DSA questions.
 - Hold up is with regards to access.
- Would like to have DSA approval on both projects, but can proceed with just one project.
- Question: What is cost of the project?
 - Approximately \$4 million, depending on testing required.
 - Estimated \$3.6 to \$3.7 million + soft costs.
 - Submitted application to receive state matching money, consultant thinks can qualify for \$1 to \$1.2 million (state is starting to fund projects).
- Question: If don't get state matching money, does WSD have enough funding to cover project? Yes, would take out of \$14 million Measure A fund.

c) Charter School update

- Strong support for charter schools, lot of families are excited about having High School option.
- Question: are charter schools eligible for Measure A funding? Tom didn't know, needs to research. Are spending some money on deferred maintenance (new carpets and paint).
- Charter schools have been told they need to find a new home, WSD agreed to house temporarily for first 2 years.
- Charter schools have to be operating to get state charter funding. Scheduled to open in August (20th?), will be on traditional schedule.
- WSD may demolish wing behind District Office to build storage shed for maintenance equipment (lawnmowers, etc.)

- o Charter schools will have separate School Board.
- o Role of WSD with charter schools:
 - Authorized charters
 - Provide temporary facilities
 - Handle accounting
 - Fiscal oversight
- Charter working on prepared budget, may have to do 1st and 2nd interim.
- Elementary school districts (K-8) are allowed to create a K-12 charter school.
 - Will introduce K-8 element in 3rd year of operation.
 - Plan to start up gradually (one grade at a time).
- Charter schools will be small (400-600 students)
- Question: how will charter schools get funding for new facilities? Too early in process, have not had substantive Board discussion. Options include:
 - WSD could float bond for charter schools
 - State / federal funding (once operational)
 - Donations from El Segundo business community
 - Use Sepulveda School campus
- d) Cabrillo fencing
 - WSD Board members (Dennis Curtis and Nelson Martinez) will discuss with residents.
 - Received cost estimate on wrought iron. Want low maintenance fencing.
 - Question: when plan to meet with neighbors? Probably this coming weekend, will cover 5-7 houses north of 135th Street.
 - Will be extension of existing fence.
- e) Sepulveda School infrastructure
 - o Upgrade utilities (sewer, etc.)
 - o AYSO lease expires in 2011, uncertain what will do.

5) Other Discussion / Questions

- How was the sinkhole in front of Cabrillo resolved? Are still working out who was at fault, installed new piping and refilled, still need to work out compromise.
 - o Can take funding out of 10% retention.
 - o Need to reimburse other contractors for new sod.
- Danny requested an explanation of the "Lease Leaseback" arrangement for the Burnett project construction. Tom will email information to Danny.
- Del Aire Neighborhood Assn meeting in July, WSD needs to send representative to speak at meeting.
- Working on moving Farmers Market to 135th & Aviation, pending approval by Hawthorne City Council.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18pm.

Next meeting scheduled for August 24.