

PERRIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEASURE T – CITIZENS’ OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

155 E. 4th Street, Perris, CA 92570 – Board Room
(Measure T – Approved by District Voters on November 6, 2012)
October 17, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Citizens’ Oversight Committee

Members Present:

Charlene Busch
Cynthia Clark
Eric Kroencke
Robert McKinney
Lisa Spetz
Lee Tankesley

Committee Member Absent:

Dorothy Wolons

District Administrative Staff :

Jonathan Greenberg, Superintendent
Candace Reines, Assistant Superintendent Bus. Svs.
Dr. Fred Good, Facilities Consultant
Crystal Guimond, Administrative Assistant

Others in Attendance:

Robert Anslow, District Bond Counsel
Jackie McDonald, Community Member

Call to Order:

Robert Anslow, Acting Chairperson for the Committee, introduced himself as District Bond Counsel and called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Candace Reines led the pledge of allegiance.

Introductions:

Everyone introduced themselves, as listed below.

Crystal Guimond, Administrative Assistant in Business Services, Perris Union High School District (PUHSD)

Lisa Spetz, Committee Member

Robert Anslow, District Bond Counsel

Candace Reines, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, PUHSD

Lee Tankesley, Committee Member
Charlene Busch, Committee Member
Eric Kroencke, Committee Member
Fred Good, Facilities Consultant since 2007, PUHSD
Jonathan Greenberg, District Superintendent, PUHSD
Robert McKinney, Committee Member

Roll Call (establishment of a quorum):

Crystal Guimond read committee members names and Mr. Anslow determined that a quorum of the Committee was established. Member absent was: Dorothy Wolons.

Public Comments:

No public comments were presented. Mr. Anslow began the discussion concerning the Committee indicating that the notebooks given to each member contained information that will be posted by the District to the Committee website, as required by law. Basically, the District wanted to present an overview of the background issues regarding COCs such as the election, the membership, policy, purpose, the Brown Act, conflicts of interest, and the Bonds.

Purpose and Function of Citizens' Oversight Committee:

Mr. Anslow reminded the attendees that in 2012 the District called a bond election that was entitled "Measure T". One of the requirements of Proposition 39 Bonds is that the District has to appoint and support and Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC or Committee) whose job it is to review the expenditures of the Bond making sure the monies are spent on the facilities projects that were listed on the Bond Project List. He referred the committee to portions of the provided information which explain about the purpose of a COC; their role and some of the things Committee members can do. He explained that Candace Reines and Fred Good would be taking the Committee members through the actual facilities projects monies spent and to be spent. Mr. Anslow referred the COC to the Resolution regarding the District's school bond election. The membership list was provided for the COC's information. The Committee was also provided with the COC Policy adopted by the Board.

Ralph M. Brown Act:

Mr. Anslow provided a discussion concerning the California Open Meeting law was developed by the California Legislature in the 1950s. All meetings of a legislative body of a local agency shall be open and public; it also precludes a majority of the body taking action outside of the meeting forum.

Conflicts of Interest:

Mr. Anslow provided a discussion concerning parameters of conflicts of interest for which a COC member is subject.

School District Facilities Projects:

Mr. Anslow reported that this subject would be carried over to the next Committee meeting.

Information on Bonds of the District:

Committee members were provided with information concerning the initial series of bonds issued pursuant to Measure T.

Election of Officers:

Mr. Anslow mentioned that normally the officers on a COC consist of a President/Chair and a Vice Chair and through it out to the committee to see if there were any volunteers. Mr. Anslow thought it might be best to agendize this until the next meeting. Eric Kroencke volunteered to Chair the COC.

It was moved to elect Eric Kroencke as Chair of the Committee by Lisa Spetz and seconded by Lee Tankesley.

VOTE: Ayes 6, Noes 0, Absent 1

Mr. Anslow asked if there was any further discussion. Mr. Anslow asked that any action related to the Vice Chair would be on next meeting agenda.

Meeting Schedule:

Mr. Anslow said that the next meeting would include approval of the minutes from today. There will also be a brief overview of the Committee website and a facilities presentation.

Candace Reines said that District Facilities Department was preparing a study session for the District Board of Trustees whereby there will be discussion regarding how bonds are issued, Series A and the current facilities projection.

Mrs. Clark asked if the Committee members could attend those study sessions.

Mr. Anslow said that Committee Members could attend if they so desired.

Ms. Reines continued that this presentation would be sometime between the middle and the end of November and thought it best to present to the COC after the beginning of the new year, so the target for the meeting should be the first two weeks in January.

Ms. Guimond will survey the Committee as to the best date for a January 2014 meeting.

Mr. Anslow reviewed the pending agenda items for January thus far, as listed on the next page.

1. Vice Chair and Secretary officers
2. Minutes
3. Brief Discussion of Website
4. Presentation of Measure T Projects and Financing
5. Expenditure Report
6. Schedule for 2014

Mr. Anslow asked if there were any items from Committee members that they would like at that meeting.

Mr. Robert McKinney asked about a schedule for selling the bonds.

Mr. Anslow said that the District financial consultants had provided figures based on assumed interest rates, assessed value and that will be shared in January during the COC presentation.

Adjourn:

The COC meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.