

**THESE MINUTES WILL NOT BE APPROVED UNTIL THE JULY MEETING**  
**CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING** for  
Bakersfield City School District "Measure G"

Thursday, April 15, 2010  
Munsey School Library – 3801 Brave Avenue

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The fourteenth meeting of the Citizens' Oversight Committee was opened at 3:05 p.m. by Co-Chairperson Harry Chicklenis.

Members Present: The following members were present:  
Mr. Harry Chicklenis  
Mr. Phil Field  
Mrs. Lori Hughes  
Mr. Percy Robinson  
Mr. Mike Turnipseed

Member Absent: The following members were absent:  
Mrs. Stephanie Holladay  
Mr. Robert Palmbach

District Staff Present: Mr. Steve McClain, Chief Business Official  
Mr. Steve Gabbitas, Public Information & Communications Manager  
Mrs. Sherry Gladin, Fiscal Services Director  
Mr. Ruben Solis, Facilities Director  
Ms. Evelyn Goode, Recorder  
Mrs. Nancy Ranes, Administrative Secretary, Maintenance/Operations

Also Present: Mr. Bill McDougle, Member of the Bakersfield City School District Board of Education

Late Arrival: Mrs. Sammie Cervantez, Munsey School Principal

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Phil Field and seconded by Mike Turnipseed, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the minutes of January 7, 2010, be approved.

New Schools Update: Steve McClain reported that the new schools are in the design phase and the Design Committee is meeting every other week. Drawings, construction estimates and bids are in progress. The opening of the schools is planned for the Fall of 2013. K. Hovnanian, from whom the land was purchased, is to put in sewer lines and storm drains and their plans have been approved by the City and those projects could begin this summer.

**Mr. Chicklenis asked who is on the Design Committee.**

Steve responded that the architects (Ordiz-Melby), teachers, and principals (from elementary and junior high schools) are serving on the committee. In the future, representatives from Food Services, the Music Department, Information Technology and other pertinent staff will be meeting with the Design Committee.

**Mr. Field asked if K. Hovnanian will begin their projects before the District begins the building of the schools.**

Steve responded that they should begin their projects, and be done with the projects, before we begin actual building.

Mr. Chicklenis stated that the Bond Oversight Committee is excited to have reached this stage of the project and that when the ground breaking takes place, the community should be very excited.

**Mr. McDougle asked if the moving of land taking place near the District's land is part of our project.**

Ruben responded that the moving of land is part of the City's project to build soccer fields near the location of the new schools.

Financial Update  
(included in packet):

Sherry Gladin presented the Unaudited Quarterly Expenditure Report for January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010. The total amount spent during this quarter was \$2,235,129. The total amount spent year-to-date through March 31, 2010 is \$11,260,920. The cumulative total of money spent-to-date is \$22,360,671.

Sherry then presented the Change Orders for Modernization Projects and for the Permanent Modular Classrooms.

**Mr. Turnipseed asked what the reason was for the 28% increase in the change order for Curran Middle School.**

Steve responded that the project was originally being run by Black Hall Construction, but they were terminated last year.

**Mr. Turnipseed asked what the issue was with Black-Hall.**

Ruben responded that their quality of work was not good and their work was not completed in a timely manner. Since the District had to get a new electrical contractor for the project, a change order was necessary.

**Mr. Field wanted to know if the Curran project is under Construction Management.**

Ruben responded that Ordiz-Melby is handling the paperwork aspect of the project, such as change orders, and the District is responsible for the schedules.

**Mr. Field asked if the project is now on schedule.**

Ruben responded that the project is probably a month ahead of schedule.

**Mr. Chicklenis asked if arbitration is over.**

Steve responded that arbitration was still in progress and the District's legal representative, Schools Legal Services, is waiting on an outcome.

Facilities Update (included in packet): Steve Gabbitas distributed pictures of modernization projects at Munsey and Curran schools. Ruben Solis presented the “Status of Modernizations, DSA Buildings, and Security Projects.”

MODERNIZATIONS:

Curran Middle School: Overall project is 98% complete

Chipman/Eissler/Nichols: Overall projects are 100% complete

UPCOMING MODERNIZATIONS:

*Pauly:* Red-lined plans have returned from the Office of the Los Angeles Division of State Architect (DSA) and the Architect has incorporated revisions and resubmitted plans at the beginning of April

*Compton:* Red-lined plans have returned from the Los Angeles DSA Office. Architect will incorporate revisions and re-submit plans at the end of April.

*Evergreen:* Bid opening scheduled for April 29, 2010

*Voorhies:* Design stage – plans will be submitted to Sacramento DSA office in April.

PERMANENT MODULAR CLASSROOMS (PMCs) No. of Buildings and Status:

*Fremont:* Fourteen permanent buildings – 7 classrooms are in first phase and 7 classrooms are in second phase – bid opening scheduled for April 15, 2010.

*College Heights:* Twelve permanent buildings and one restroom – bid opening scheduled for April 27, 2010.

*Garza:* Five temporary buildings – have been installed  
twenty permanent buildings – bid opening scheduled for May 4, 2010.

*Munsey:* Nine permanent buildings and one restroom – in progress

COMPLETED PERMANENT MODULAR CLASSROOM PROJECTS:

*Evergreen:* Twelve permanent buildings and one restroom

*Hort:* Three permanent buildings

*Pauly:* Nine permanent buildings and one restroom

*Wayside:* Nine permanent buildings and one restroom

SECURITY PROJECTS:

*Security Iron or Chain Link Fencing Projects have been completed at* Twenty-four (24) schools: Compton Jr. High, Curran Middle, Eissler, Evergreen, Fremont, Garza, Harding, Harris, Hills, Hort, Jefferson, Longfellow, Mt. Vernon, Noble, Owens Intermediate, Owens Primary, Pauly, William Penn, Sequoia Middle, Sierra Middle, Thorner, Washington Middle, Wayside and Williams.

*Special Education Department/S.E.A.L. Center* – iron fencing around the classrooms is in progress

*Remaining projects include:*

Casa Loma, Chavez, Chipman Jr.High, McKinley, Voorhies schools

SECURITY HARDWARE – CAMPUS ACCESS CONTROL:

*Security store front doors have been installed (glass doors with aluminum frames). All visitors must sign in at the office.*

Eleven (11) school sites are completed: Hills, Hort, Longfellow, Mt. Vernon, Nichols, Noble, Owens Primary, William Penn, Sierra Middle, Thorner, and Washington Middle.

Five schools remain: Chavez, Chipman Jr. High, Compton Middle, Curran Middle and Voorhies (under the modernization)

*After visitors sign in, staff then allow access to the school site via a secondary door (buzzer mechanism).*

Twenty-one (21) school sites are completed: Casa Loma, College Heights, Fremont, Harding, Hills, Hort, Jefferson, Johnson Community Day, Longfellow, Horace Mann, McKinley, Mt. Vernon, Nichols, Noble, Owens Primary, William Penn, Pioneer, Sierra Middle, Thorner, Washington Middle and Wayside.

Seventeen schools remain: Chavez, Chipman Jr. High, Compton Jr. High (under the modernization), Curran Middle, Downtown, Eissler, Emerson Middle, Evergreen, Franklin, Garza, Harris, Munsey, Pauly, Sequoia Middle, Voorhies, Frank West, and Williams.

SECURITY CAMERAS:

Installation has been completed at twenty-one (21) school sites: Chipman Jr. High, College Heights, Compton Jr. High, Curran Middle, Eissler, Emerson Middle, Fremont, Garza, Hills, Longfellow, Horace Mann, Mt. Vernon, Nichols, Johnson Children’s Center, Johnson Community Day, Owens Primary, Sequoia Middle, Sierra Middle, Stiern Middle, Washington Middle, and Wayside

Installation is in progress at: Hort, Munsey, Special Education Department/S.E.A.L. Center

**Mr. Field wanted to know when a project is listed as “completed,” does this include the retention? Or just the construction?**

Ruben answered that “completed” meant just for the construction aspect of the project.

Mr. Field stated that he would like to have information pertaining to any “soft costs” or “outstanding expenses” in future reports.

**Mr. Chicklenis asked if Ruben has received any feedback from teachers regarding the completion of their schools.**

Ruben responded that all feedback he has received has been positive. Teachers are so happy to get out of the trailers.

**Mr. Field asked if all District schools will have security cameras and if so, how soon will they be installed.**

Ruben responded that yes, all schools will have security cameras and this project should be completed within a couple of years.

**Mr. Field asked if the project is taking so long because of budget constraints.**

Sherry responded that the project was not delayed by budget constraints and Ruben responded that his plan is to have all projects completed before the building of the new schools begins.

**Mr. McDougale asked if fencing was going to take place at the Community Day School.**

Steve responded that there would be no students at the Community Day School next year; however, the facility would be utilized by District Staff. No additional fencing work is anticipated at this time.

Terms of Committee Members (included in packet): Steve McClain reviewed the “terms of office” for the Bond Oversight Committee Members. Terms are due to expire as follows:  
Michael Turnipseed April 2010  
Harry Chicklenis July 2010  
Phil Field July 2010  
Stephanie Holladay July 2010  
Lori Hughes July 2010  
Percy Robinson July 2010  
Robert Palmbach remains on the Committee until July 2011

Mr. Turnipseed has agreed to remain on the Committee for a two-year term.

Steve asked the Committee to contact himself or Evelyn if they have names of any potential new members.

**Mr. Chicklenis asked if the new members would be selected according to the Bylaws.**

Steve responded that they would be selected in accordance with the Bylaws which state that the committee shall exist of:  
-at least one representative of the local business community  
-at least one person active in a senior citizens’ organization  
-at least one person active in a bona fide taxpayers’ organization  
-at least one parent or guardian of an enrolled child  
-at least one person who is both the parent or guardian of an enrolled student and a member of the PTA or similar organization

Mr. Turnipseed suggested that Steve make contact with the senior group living in the Solera Retirement Community and that the contact person is Julie.

**Mr. Field asked that once the new Committee members are selected, they be provided a synopsis of what the current Committee has accomplished.**

Steve stated that a synopsis will be provided to them and that an Orientation meeting will take place to explain the rules and regulations of the Committee and what their responsibilities are.

**Mr. Turnipseed asked when the next issuance will take place.**

Steve responded that out of the 34 million dollar Series A Bond, 22 million has been spent and the District will be looking at possibly issuing another bond prior to the end of this calendar year.

Schedule Next Meeting in July (included in packet): Discussion was held and the next meeting will take place on Thursday, July 15, 2010, at 3 p.m., at the Education Center. Notices will be sent to the Committee members.

Public Comments: Mrs. Hughes commended District staff for all the information provided to the Committee members.

Mr. Field stated that when ground is broken for the new schools, he hopes the former committee members will be invited to attend the ceremony. Steve stated that the former committee members will be invited to attend.

Adjournment: On a motion by Phil Field and seconded by Percy Robinson, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Tour of Munsey School Project: Immediately following the adjournment of the meeting, a tour was taken by Committee members of the Munsey School Project.