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**LAS VIRGENES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING**

March 30, 2023

Present: Ms. Angela Cutbill, Board Vice President
Ms. Lesli Stein, Board President
Dr. Ryan Gleason, Assistant Superintendent/CBO
Ms. Angie Falk, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
Ms. Julie Abbott, Director of Child Nutrition, Maintenance, Operations & Facilities
Mr. Shawn Vudmaska, Bond Project Manager
Mr. Jim Klein, Chief Technology Officer
Ms. Amy Aviv, Principal, Calabasas High School

The meeting came to order at 10:05 a.m.

Jeremy Brust - CEQA Overview

Mr. Brust, a lawyer for the firm Tao Rossini, spoke to the committee about CEQA compliance. CEQA stands for California Environmental Quality Act. Mr. Brust explained that CEQA requires public agencies to consider the environmental consequences of their discretionary actions. It is intended to inform government decision makers and the public about the potential environmental effects of proposed activities and to prevent significant, avoidable environmental damage. Mr. Brust shared examples of exemptions and noted the importance of following procedural steps and implementing CEQA into planning projects.

Signage

Ms. Falk shared that steps are being taken to increase attendance in schools. New messaging is being sent out displaying the link between attendance and achievement. Sites are also working on incentives for those students who miss one or fewer days of

school per month. Site staff will work with Ms. Abbott regarding placement of signage at the schools. The committee approves moving forward with this signage on campuses.

Ms. Abbott also shared that The Foundation would like to place banners at schools advertising THE Event. The committee approves but would like to make sure they work with Ms. Abbott on placement.

CHS Performing Arts Program

Ms. Abbott shared that there are a few areas at Calabasas High School that need to be revamped including the Performing Arts Room. Ms. Aviv stated that the wish is for the space to function as a full multi-purpose room housing back-up performances, cheerleading, wrestling, PFC meetings and being a supplement to the PAEC. Ms. Abbott noted that most of the work can be done in-house and shared that quotes are still being gathered.

Ms. Aviv also spoke about the shared costuming space and the need for it to be updated. Dr. Gleason shared that this could be funded by Developer Fees. Ms. Stein asked when the school would like this completed and Ms. Aviv would like it done as soon as possible. She noted that it can also be used as a CTE classroom. Ms. Stein spoke about the importance of showing off the spaces to the community. Ms. Cutbill emphasized that younger students in attendance for shows are a great way to build the programs.

Ms. Aviv also shared that in addition to the MPR and costume space, she would also like improvements to the wellness counseling building, faculty lounge and lecture hall. Ms. Aviv noted that the site would like to move the wellness counseling center and the faculty lounge before next school year.

The committee approves this project. Dr. Gleason will bring finalized prices to a future meeting.

Boardroom Design

Ms. Abbott and Mr. Vudmaska shared the rendering for the Board Room update. They also shared materials as well as paint colors. Mr. Vudmaska noted that the plans call for a one-step to the dais as opposed to the two-step currently in place. Ms. Abbott shared that the divider between the Board Room and Cabinet Room will be replaced with sound-proof doors. Mr. Klein shared that the sound system will be upgraded and screens will be added to the dais and cameras will be added to the room.

Ms. Cutbill asked for a timeline of these projects. Mr. Vudmaska shared that they have met with the architects and the project will now need to go to DSA. Ms. Abbott shared

that interior work can begin. Ms. Stein shared that she would like the information for the updates to be included in the Friday Letter to the Board.

Series A Project List Timelines and Next Steps

Dr. Gleason shared a timeline for Series A noting that the District will be working on its audit rating after April 1 and will begin selling bonds after July 4. The anticipated close of sale will be August 1.

District Vehicles

Dr. Gleason also shared that the District is currently looking for new vehicles which are hard to find. Mr. Klein shared an option for back-up power for the District noting that they are looking into a vehicle-grid option. This would use vehicles to power the building. Mr. Klein is in the process of gathering more information and will bring those findings to a future meeting.

YB Signage

Ms. Abbott shared a proposal from Yerba Buena to place advertising banners on flagpoles leading up to their school. The committee does not approve this project.

Long-Term Lease Update

Dr. Gleason shared updates regarding long term lease agreements. He noted that the District has been meeting with the various groups and working to ensure that both parties are committed to following what was previously agreed upon.

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 p.m.