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**MERCED CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
DISTRICT OFFICE BOARD ROOM
Monday, September 18, 2017
4:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: The Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) meeting was called to order at 4:05p.m.

MCSD STAFF PRESENT: District Superintendent, Rosemary Parga-Duran, Assistant Superintendent, Teresa Saldivar-Morse, Director of Facilities, Dr. Ken Testa, , Chief Fiscal Officer, Linda Jordan, Account Technician, Julio Rodriguez-Rivera, Public Information Officer and District Development Officer, Sara Sandrik Goins, Sherry Munday, Facilities Department Secretary.

MEMBERS PRESENT: All - with the exception of Birdi-Olivarez Kidwell.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Sharon Spinardi led the pledge.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: M/S/C Motion was made by Tsia Xiong to approve today's meeting agenda Michelle Symes-Thiara – 2nd. Votes – Ayes – All - Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES: M/S/C Motion was made by Tsia Xiong to approve the June 20, 2017 meeting minutes. Steve Bottjer 2nd the motion. Votes- Ayes – All – Motion carried.

INTRODUCTIONS/OPENING REMARKS:

Ken Testa welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. He thanked Superintendent, Dr. Parga Duran and Assistant Superintendent Teresa Saldivar-Morse for attending the meeting. Ken thanked Julio Rodriguez-Rivera and Linda Jordan for being at the meeting and taking care of the financial piece. Ken also thanked Sara Sandrik for attending and Sherry Munday for preparing the paperwork. Kelly Phillips was welcomed as a committee member and thanked her for her service.

PROJECT DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION:

Prop 51 state bond measure that was passed last November brings the state \$3 billion in modernization money and \$3 billion for new construction. The District has to follow rules and regulations to make sure we do our bidding process and accounting properly. The current governor is being conservative in selling the state bonds; only 348 million have been sold. The money will be disbursed to the District slower than predicted. 2020 will be earliest we will get any money for the projects we have already submitted. We hope that the next Governor will sell bonds quicker. We

are paying for our projects with local bond money while we are waiting for the state money to come.

Ken Testa discussed various District Projects while showing a PowerPoint. The following projects were discussed:

Reyes – security fencing

STEAM Center – Not a Measure M project but fits in with the District's School Facilities Master Plan. The building has flexible learning spaces, outdoor and indoor, doors, windows and break out rooms.

Chenoweth Modernization –Classroom upgrades, lighting, technology, electrical infrastructure improvements, lighting, HVAC and electrical, RR, parking and playfields, two new modular classrooms, FLS upgrades, and internal landscaping project.

Wright Modernization Elementary School –HVAC systems, upgrades for window treatments, carpets, modernization and restroom upgrades project 20 classrooms, lighting, insulation, technology, wall coverings, replacement of basketball courts, parking/ drop-off area, and improvements to the operations area on the campus.

Roofing projects – Completed Cruickshank and Tenaya and summer roofing projects.

Prop 39- Energy upgrades and solar arrays project. Measure M is not paying but this aides the district with completing projects. Lighting, HVAC and solar are the components of this project. The project will include upgrades to 1600 light fixtures, and 124 A/C units AT Burbank, Reyes, Gracey, and Muir. We will install 19 solar arrays at 10 sites that will produce 1.7 megawatts of energy that will help offset energy costs. The solar is currently happening and the energy efficiency portion will be performed next spring through summer.

Hoover Middle School Modernization – HVAC system, demolishing the old hydronic system, and renovation of STEAM and Science classroom. Added lighting in parking for safety and security. This project is complete.

Franklin Elementary – Housing project for preschool and access improvements in the parking lot. This project is currently under construction. The buildings are being delivered tomorrow.

Rivera Elementary – Safe crossing through the Parking lot. Completed Project.

Slurry-Seal Parking lots – Family Service Center, Givens Elementary and Peterson Elementary had their, blacktop and basketball courts redone during summer.

Fremont Elementary – Modernization project HVAC and classroom upgrades, and loading and unloading zone project. The front of the school will be shifted from R Street to S Street. This project will happen next summer.

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT:

Measure S spending report: Actual expense of \$28,777,181.46. Only change from last time is an Increase in Professional service of \$668. Fund balance \$79,839.73.

Measure M spending report:

Actual expense was as of June 15, 2017 was \$22,279,217.42; with increase/adjustments of \$6,171,820.24; Actual Expense as at September 15, 2017 is \$28,451,037.66.

PUBLIC RELATIONS:

Sara Sandrik shared a video presentation highlighting an article that was written for the education column with video in the Merced Sun Star with emphasis on Measure M projects. This video is also on the District's webpage and social media page. She also presented the Measure M video and an LCAP video to the Merced Rotary club as well as at to the MCSD certified Staff who attended the Welcome Back Event. ABC 30 was at the STEAM Center on the first day of school and was televised live during four different news cast. The dedication ceremony for the STEAM Center is on October 25th at 10:30. Sara shared that she will be doing an upcoming column with information about what the bond oversight committee does? Discussion will be what work the members do and what other community members can do to be involved. At the next meeting Sara would like to take a photo of the Committee.

MEMBERSHIP & RECRUITMENT:

The committee currently has seven members and all category requirements are being met.

OPEN DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS:

The meeting dates for the year were presented to the group. A motion was made by Keith Ensminger to approve the meeting dates. 2nd by Steve Bottjer. Votes – all – Ayes.

NEXT MEETING:

December 19, 2017

ADJORNMENT:

Michelle Symes-Thiara made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:51pm, 2nd – Steve Bottjer – votes- Ayes – All.