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Eureka City Schools Citizens' Oversight Committee

2100 J Street, Eureka, CA 95501

REGULAR MEETING

4:00 PM – 5:30 PM, Room 104

November 8, 2017

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER OF OPEN SESSION

Member Jim Pell called the regular meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Members Present : Burger, Campton, Noel, Pell

Members Absent : Jones, Reece

Staff Present : Ziegler, Snipes, Batini

B. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NONAGENDA ITEMS★

There were no public comments on nonagenda items.

C. CONSENT

1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 16, 2017

- M/S Campton/Noel. All in favor.

D. DISCUSSION / ACTION

- No discussion / action items

E. DISCUSSION

1. Financial Update

Paul Ziegler shared that \$1.6 million was spent in the first quarter and that 2017-18 projects have picked up. We have spent \$7.5 million in total expenditures to date.

Paul mentioned that the Alice Birney parking lot project is winding down with approximately \$200,000 spent in the first quarter. The committee, regarding fencing and liability, questioned the retention ponds designed into the parking lot. Paul explained that it is a State requirement so that storm water is diverted properly. The State requirement causes additional time and costs.

The Lafayette parking lot project came in just over \$1,000,000 during the first quarter and the Zane S Street walkway project was approximately \$200,000 during that same time period.

2. Project Updates

- **Alice Birney:** about one more month before the parking lot project will be completed. In-house staff will install the fencing between the field and the parking lot. Because of significant change order, we pulled that scope of work from the contract. We will also fence the retention pond.
- **EHS Gymnasium:** we are moving forward with a new gymnasium. A committee of staff, parents, community members, and our architect worked within the \$15 million budget and District staff took their recommendation to the Board. An abatement survey for the old gym is happening now.

- **EHS Music Building:** more asbestos was discovered under the building. Mid-January is the completion date.
- **EHS Ag. Building:** we are looking to replace the old building with like square footage or larger if we receive the Career and Technical Education (CTE) grant.
- **Lafayette:** Parking lot work is complete. Punch list items are the only work needing attention. We currently have temporary fencing around the retention pond. We have begun the Bell/PA system install.
- **Winship:** Bell/PA system completed.
- **Zane:** the S Street walkway project is complete other than some fencing that will be installed in-house.

The Lafayette and Alice Birney office projects are in the queue, along with the parking lots at Washington and Grant, and the EHS science wing project.

3. Community Conversations

No feedback from community to committee members.

4. COC Membership Update

The District is working with EHS to try to fill the vacant position. Would love to have someone that is connected to Ag since there are many projects involving CTE. Paul will also reach out to the middle schools since they have CTE programs as well. Jim mentioned that he would not be returning after his term is up.

5. Funding Update

- **EHS Ag Building:** we are looking at two avenues. **1)** A CTE grant up to a \$3 million match. The Ag Department is working with a consultant and is putting together a \$6 million submittal. **2)** A hardship grant through the Office of Public School Construction (OPSC). They are the funding piece and we have met with them.
 - We are also worried about our storm drain at Albee Stadium that runs across Del Norte Street and into the Ag complex and baseball field. This is not a bond project but the storm drain clips a corner of the Ag building. We have condemned the Ag building. The expectation is to get some hardship funding (\$1-1.2 million for Ag) and we are going down both roads concurrently. Three million dollars (\$3,000,000) is the maximum we can get between both agencies.
- **Modernization:** available if you have growth. We have modernization money available for Lincoln, and have received matching funds for the Alice Birney 3-classroom addition.

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- **Gymnasium:** the District applied for seismic hardship and were approved but we are waiting for the State to sell bonds. The \$3.8 million dollars would go towards the new gym.

6. Next Meeting Dates: February 7, 2018 (set); May 16, 2018 (proposed)

The next meeting is February 7, 2018. May 9 or May 16, 2108 was proposed for the potential spring meeting.

7. Topics for Next Agenda

- Tour EHS Music Building: February 7, 2108 meeting
- Retention Pond Tours: Staff will work on dates

F. ADJOURNMENT

Member Pell adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Ziegler
Assistant Superintendent / Business Services

Recording Secretary, Jennifer Snipes

CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE

DATE

The next regular meeting will be held February 7, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. in Room #104 at 2100 J Street, Eureka, CA.

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