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**Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC)  
of the Cajon Valley Union School District**

**Minutes  
Unadopted**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Citizens' Oversight Committee was called to order by interim Committee Chair Victor Garcia on March 23, 2011 at 10:07 a.m. at Cajon Valley Union School District.

**Members Present:** Victor Garcia, Kirk Gentry, Les Henderson, John McTighe, and Craig Wollitz.

Apologies: Jane Alfano and Karen Bunkell

**District Support Staff:** Sharon Dobbins, James Beard, Charles Allen, Mark Mendoza, Sharon Clay, Christina Hagggar, and Beatriz Tirado.

**WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**

Victor welcomed members and staff.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the December 8, 2010 meeting were approved on a motion made by John McTighe, seconded by Kirk Gentry and carried 5-0.

**ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS**

The following officers were elected and appointed: Victor Garcia was elected as Chair on a motion made by John McTighe, seconded by Kirk Gentry, and carried 5-0. John McTighe was elected as Secretary on a motion made by Les Henderson, seconded by Victor Garcia, and carried 5-0.

**PROJECT STATUS REPORT**

James, John Forrest, and Sharon distributed and discussed the Project Status Report dated 3/23/11.

**BUDGET UPDATE**

Sharon distributed and discussed the Consolidated Expenditure Report dated 3/23/11.

**QSCB BOND ISSUANCE**

Sharon announced the District was granted authorization to issue \$18 million in bonds under the Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) program, which is part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Because QSCBs are

interest-subsidized by the federal government, the District will be able to generate approximately \$2,640,000 in additional school construction project funds. The intent of this program is to stimulate the economy and create jobs.

### **QUESTIONS/ANSWERS**

There was discussion regarding solar energy. James explained that he has researched this option; however, conversion to solar energy is not yet cost effective for school districts due to SDG&E's current rate structure. The District would continue to be required to pay SDG&E's "demand" charges, which could cause the District's total energy costs to increase with the use of solar. However, the HVAC replacements have resulted in significant reduction in energy usage and costs; and the District is continuing to research options for both energy reduction and alternative energy.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 22, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Staff Development Conference Room #1.