



WEST HILLS COLLEGE LEMOORE

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CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE for
Measure E – School Facilities Improvement District (SFID) No. 3, Lemoore Area
Golden Eagle Arena 2nd floor conf. rm. (680A)
May 28, 2014 4:00 pm

MINUTES

Members Present:	WHCL/WHCCD Staff:	Others Present:	Absent:
Les Brown, Chair Tom Hernandez, Vice Chair Buddy Brooks Jim McGee	Don Warkentin, President Amber Avitia, Admin. Asst.	AP Architects: Byron Woods	Members: Lynda Lahodny Maureen Azevedo WHCL/WHCCD Staff: Ken Stoppenbrink, Deputy Chancellor AP Architects: Richard Treece

1. Call to Order

Chairman Les Brown called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m. He led the committee in the flag salute. He asked if there were any comments from the public. At this time, there were no comments.

2. Action Items

- **Citizen’s Oversight Bond Committee Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2014**
Buddy Brooks motioned to approve the March 12, 2014 meeting minutes; seconded by Tom Hernandez; all approved. The motion passed.

3. Information/Discussion/Presentations

- **Completion recap/ project updates and expenditures - Byron Woods**
Byron Woods noted the handout, “SFID No. 3 Completion Recap 4/30/14” showing a yellow highlight revision for the Student Center Phase 1; the construction estimate is still in progress due to the bid being over the budget. Don Warkentin reported the Avenal Phase 1 total projected cost of two million dollars is portion of measure E dollars. Don explained to the committee that the Reef-Sunset Unified School District finally agreed on a joint-use plan at Avenal High School. The goal is to begin offering college classes next fall, in the 2015-16 school years. High school and college students alike will be able to take college-level general education and specialized science and agricultural courses taught by West Hills teachers and held in Avenal High’s classrooms both day and night. As part of the agreement, West Hills will pay to have Avenal High School’s science

wing completely remodeled. Two science classrooms will be built to include state-of-the-art wet and dry science labs, with cutting-edge equipment. At this time, there is conversation of Avenal suing for “perceived damages” and we are now facing this issue. Jim McGee added when the possibility of the bond and facility were presented; Avenal imagined a free-standing, separate WHC structure, and when it turned into remodeling of high school rooms they were upset. Jim explained the city of Avenal alleged a breach of trust of the logic and clarity of renovating existing facilities on the high school campus. More information to follow as details becomes available. Byron reported they were moving forward with the cost feasibility on remodeling the science classes and one of the computer labs for the Avenal project. Byron also reported scheduled maintenance funding projects will take place in the near future with two campus restrooms and replacement of carpet in the 200C conference center.

- **Student Union Update – Byron**

Byron Woods reported the request for quotation (RFQ) for the lease-leaseback with the District has decided to go forward with Bush Construction located in Hanford. We are currently waiting for the contractor’s bids. The college anticipates breaking ground in August. Don reported the campus held its groundbreaking ceremony on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 and it was a very nice event. He announced the food service for the student union building will be outsourced by Fresh and Natural, a company out of the San Jose area. They will provide food stations options such as deli, salad, soup bar, and others.

- **Committee Members and Terms**

Don Warkentin referred to the handout, “committee member terms” and explained this document was added to the agenda as an informational item. Les Brown questioned the third term and informed the members we would need new members for the year 2015. Les suggested to the members to keep their eyes peeled for eligible and interested people for this committee. He requested this item be on the future agenda as a discussion item.

4. Future meeting date:

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 24, 2014. Buddy motioned to approve the meeting date of September 24, 2014; Jim McGee seconded; all approved.

5. Announcements

Les Brown reported that he represented the Citizen Oversight Committee at the last board meeting and presented the committee’s annual report. He noted the report was well received, and he pointed out that it was the year-end report for 2013.

6. Committee Member Comments and Requests

There were no further comments.

7. Adjournment

Jim McGee made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Tom Hernandez; all approved. This meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.