



Putting Children First

BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MINUTES Tuesday, November 29, 2011 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

CAMS Conference Room
425 1st Ave.
Sacramento, CA 95818

Bond Oversight Committee Members Present:

Alex Visaya Carol Davydova, Vice Chair
Bob Blymyer, BOC Chair

SCUSD Staff/Consultants Present:

Nick Koehler, SCUSD, CAMS Amari Watkins, SCUSD, Accounting
Paul Breckenridge, SCUSD, CAMS Jim Dobson, SCUSD, CAMS

Others Present:

Gabe Tiffany, Community Member Lisa Meline, Business Community Member

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Bob Blymyer

- Meeting called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Bob Blymyer. Introductions were made and meeting was started. Bob gave an overview of the BOC history for the potential new members who were present (Gabe and Lisa). He talked about the BOC's role in monitoring how the district spends bond funds, and specifically to make sure that bond dollars are spent on capital projects only. Bob continued to explain that over the course of the BOC's history, it has overseen approximately \$500 million, and now there is approximately \$10 million left. Bob discussed membership requirements, term limits of members (2 years), and meeting times (quarterly).
- **Officer Nominations-** Bob nominated Carol as Chair, which was seconded by Alex, then passed. Bob nominated Adolfo as Vice Chair, which was seconded by Carol, then passed.
- **Minute Review-** Bob moved to review the minutes, but wanted to have a typo changed on the 2nd page of the August 2, 2011 minutes. Nick will change the minutes, so they can be passed at next meeting.

II. BOND FUNDING Update:

- Amari Watkins went through the handout that was passed out and gave overview of current bond fund accountings to the BOC.
 - **Q-** Bob asked about the average cost of a new high school construction, and asked if the \$71 million reported for Rosemont was accurate?
A- Jim answered by stating that currently the cost has actually doubled, and he cited a new HS construction in West Sacramento, which was approximately \$150 million.

- **Q-** Alex asked if the funds set aside for consent decree were going to be utilized and reallocated by the board?
A- Jim answered that the SCUSD board has not reallocated those bond funds at this time.
- **Q-** Carol asked Amari if there was any information outside this accounting report that the BOC should be aware of or reviewing?
A- Amari answered that reimbursement monies that should be coming from the state are not listed, but the amount is approximately \$50 million.
A- Jim commented on Debt Services income, stating that the district could refinance those funds to save monies, but that Patty Hagemeyer, SCUSD CBO would have to investigate that option.
- **Q-** Carol asked if the district would be getting any Energy Savings rewards or rebates?
A- Jim answered yes that we should be getting some rebate monies, and that those funds would be put back into the bond accounts.
- **Q-** Bob asked if there was any appreciable difference in the W sac project and Rosemont HS?
A- Jim answered that he was not familiar with the project enough to answer that question. Paul also commented that you would see project savings now due to the economy.

III. Site Walk:

- The BOC and SCUSD members took a site walk of the MET High School. Starting with the modernized section of the school and then moving to the new classroom building. Paul gave the BOC members an overview of the Charter, Big Picture, and informed every one of the educational philosophies, the charter uses. Paul then explained that this project was CHPS certified, met LEED criteria, and that the District would receive one of Sacramento's first HPI, High Performance Index, grants from the state. Paul stated that this campus was a test case and that if successful could become a blue print for how the district moves forward in construction planning.
 - **Q-** Carol asked where the program was being housed during construction?
A- Paul answered, that the program was sharing a space at Sac HS.
- Paul then took the group through the campus and explained the various stages of construction and pointed out all of the components that were specifically used to get the project certified through the CHPS, LEED, and HPI scorecards.

IV. Quarterly Reports- (LBHS):

- Paul explained the quarterly report section for LBHS to the BOC, and talked about how Phase I of this project was near completion. He commented that the district would like to utilize Proposition 84 funding if they could get it, but that spending bond funds on Phase I, was a good investment and one strategy to acquire the prop 84 funding. Paul then explained that all that was left for construction completion was the fencing and security components of the project.
 - **Q-** Bob asked if the District needs to be careful spending bond dollars on Security or other costs that don't seem like direct facility costs?
A- Paul answered that yes the district is extremely conscience about how the bond funds get used, but in the case of the security costs it is within the project scope and directly related to the project.

- **Q-** Lisa asked if there was a direct correlation between the info in the report and cost of project for LBHS?
A- Nick answered yes there was, and if BOC members request more information that it is usually provided to them either at the next meeting or between meetings via email.

V. Quarterly Reports- (Bowling Green):

- Paul Breckenridge, gave an overview of the Bowling Green Project, and then explained that the project was complete.
- Bob commented on the format of the quarterly report, and asked that addresses be included in future reports. Nick agreed to the request, and stated that the addresses would be included on the next report.

VI. Quarterly Reports- (Isador Cohen HVAC Project):

- Paul explained to the BOC members that the project is near completion, and should be complete soon. There are a few punch list items and a change order that needs to go to the Board. Paul explained that the project was successful and that the model, the Aon package, is being looked at for other district facilities.
 - **Q-** Carol asked what an Aaon package was?
A- Paul answered that the Aaon package, brand of HVAC units, were single zone/classroom models, which helped with efficiency and control.

VII. Quarterly Reports- (John Morse Therapeutic Center)

- Paul explained to the BOC members about the history of the project, scope and recent progress. Paul explained the initial planning and design had started. Communication with the staff at the site had begun, and the architect firm, HMC was starting to make drawings for review. Paul also discussed that he would like to incorporate “green” components into the design, similar to the MET.
 - **Q-** Carol asked if Farah McDill, the new Green Fellow, was making any progress?
A- Paul answered that yes Farah had been making considerable progress, and had started “Green Teams,” at several different sites throughout the district. He further explained that these teams would be making recommendations for projects that would utilize the green project bond funding allocation.

VIII. Quarterly Reports- (CK McClatchy Kitchen/Cafeteria Renovations)

- Paul explained to the BOC members about the history of the project, scope and recent progress. Paul explained that this would be a Facility Hardship Project, as well as a Modernization project which would utilize state bond funds and district bond dollar match for the funding sources. The project would consist of upgrades to the kitchen, serving, and cafeteria spaces. Paul then went on to tell the BOC that HMR Architects were finalizing the serving area drawings, and would be ready to present to the stakeholder group in the next week or two. Construction is planned to coincide with the Culinary Arts project over the summer of 2012.
 - **Q-** Bob asked if the cafeteria had been remodeled throughout the years?

A- Paul answered, that probably it had, but he was not sure. He then went on to explain the idea of the remodel, and how it would fit into the schools new educational planning.

IX. Open Forum:

- Nick described the state bond grants, including modernization, emergency repair, and overcrowding relief grants that SCUSD had applied for through the state Office of Public School Construction (OPSC). Nick went on to further explain, directly to the potential new BOC members (Gabe/Lisa), that SCUSD has approximately \$60 million, which is only the ERP portions, in reimbursable funds that are in unfunded approval status. These funds would directly reimburse expensed bond dollars.

X. Member Recruitment:

- Bob commented that because this was his last meeting, that he would try to recruit a new member from the Taxpayers League to maintain the member requirements for the BOC.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m. by BOB and 2nd by Carol
Respectfully submitted, Nicholas Koehler