

**Tustin Unified School District
Citizens' Oversight Committee**

MINUTES

November 15, 2007

Bill Pevehouse, President, called the regular meeting of the Citizen's Oversight Committee "COC" to order at 5:58 p.m. in the Staff Conference Room, Tustin Unified School District, 300 South C Street, Tustin, CA.

Members Present:

Bill Pevehouse, President
Jim Cronn, Vice President
Chris Cummins (absent)
Ann Davert
Jill Leach
Larry Leaman
Amy Tanaka
Susan Stalzer (alternate) (absent)

Staff Present

Brock Wagner, Deputy Superintendent, Planning and Operations
Peter Burns, Senior Director, Maintenance, Operations and Facilities
David Miranda, Facilities Coordinator/Planning

Guests

Don Leach

Bill Pevehouse led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved by Jill Leach, seconded by Larry Leaman and carried unanimously to adopt the agenda.

General Functions Consent Item:

It was moved by Ann Davert, seconded by Jill Leach, and carried unanimously to adopt the Minutes of September 19, 2007.

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Public Comments

None

Informational Items/Presentations

1. Update of FHS Phase III and Expenditure Report

Brock Wagner explained that the final concrete pour is scheduled for November 16. This phase of the project should be complete by the middle of next week. Even though the project is only 95% complete, only 78% of the contract has been paid, which is very good. Expenditures are in line, nothing new to add.

Jill Leach questioned if there were any problems with skateboarders. Brock said originally there were issues, however, Pete Burns initiated the installation of *skateboard stoppers* (metal humps on the outer edges of the concrete). These stoppers will be embossed with the "FHS" to blend in with the design of the quad.

Amy Tanaka was concerned about the lack of parking. Pete Burns explained that the fences will be coming down and that will open up space for additional parking.

Pete Burns reported that homecoming went very well in the new quad. The students seem to really like it, and have been very respectful of the work being done, as well as the workers themselves.

Brock went on to review the estimates for the new Science building. Plans are finished and are currently at the Department of the State Architect. As we get closer to the bid date, these estimates are expected to drop, based on market conditions.

2. Update of the MCAS Sites

Brock discussed that we are in the same place with negotiations. The economy is an issue. The 10-acre Red Hill site has been fenced. We have 36-months to build on this site, or the federal government will take the land back. That gives us six to nine months to design the school and another year to build. In addition, we need to move forward quickly in order to retain the dollars allotted for the site by the state. The longer we wait, the better possibility state funds will be distributed to other districts and none will be left for us. An option that has been in discussion is the possibility of building a site for a continuation school (Hillview) and adult education. Or we could build an elementary school now, and in time, move the continuation/adult education school to that site. The Board is working to make a decision soon.

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3. Tustin High School Master Plan

At the Board meeting on November 13, the architects were approved. We will be using NTD, based on their bid, as well as the quality of work they did for the Foothill High modernization. We will initiate startup meetings and will use the same process in obtaining input from the public as was used for Foothill, which worked well.

It is very unlikely that Tustin High will move to the base. Time will tell, but economic circumstances are prohibitive. We will preserve the high school site for the future (possible magnet school).

4. New Business

The next COC will be held January 10, if necessary.

Adjournment

It was moved by Larry Leaman, seconded by Ann Davert, to adjourn the meeting at 6:42 p.m.