



IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE
Citizens Oversight Committee for Measure L
January 18, 2008

Members

Dr. Barbara Macci-Trethewey, Chair
John Anderson
Marlene Best
Terence Donovan

Cathy Kennerson
Henry Monroy
Bertha Morris
David Lopez, Student Representative

Recorder: Mary Carter

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m., by Dr. Barbara Macci-Trethewey, with members Anderson, Best, Monroy and Lopez present. Also in attendance were John Lau, Vice President for Business Services, Rick Webster, Director of Maintenance, and visitors: Jim Pendley, Dr. James Fisher and David Zielinski.

Introduction of new members: David Lopez, ASG President and Marlene Best, City Manager of the City of Imperial were introduced as newly appointed members of the committee.

1. Approval of Minutes: M/S/C Anderson/Monroy to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2007 meeting as presented.
2. Update on Bond Projects: Rick Webster, Director of Maintenance reported that the earthwork for the Science Building pad will be complete today. The project is about one week ahead of schedule.

John Lau reported that the College is going out to bid for 12 bid packages (structural elements), with bids to be opened March 12. After the bids are received, the College will be able to revise the project budget. In May, 2008, the College will go to bid on 11 additional bid packages. By the end of May, the total cost of the Science Building can be determined. Nielsen Construction is acting as the College's "general contractor" for the project.

Jimmy Sanders will be invited to the next meeting to discuss "green" (energy conservation) issues with the committee.

Rick Webster reported that the Pioneers Museum is undergrounding part of the canal along Aten Road at the Museum's expense.

3. Audit for year ended June 30, 2007: The committee reviewed the 2006-07 Bond Fund Audit, prepared by Wilkinson Hadley, LLP. Mr. Lau noted that there were no findings or questioned costs.
4. Expenditure Report: The committee reviewed the 2007-08 year-to-date expenditure report. John Lau reported that there is \$39,930,432 of Bond Fund in the County Treasury. All expenditures reports will be available on the new College web site.

Mr. Lau reported that the State has tentatively approved funding the modernization of the 400 building (50% state funding). However, the College's funding request for a library addition has been rejected. With a number of colleges competing for state funding, classroom projects are taking priority. The College will be reviewing its strategy for seeking

state funding, and may make some changes to the project priority list. The College needs to have viable projects in the pipeline for state funding.

John Lau noted that effective this fiscal year, the \$750,000 annual expense for Certificate of Participation and Lease Revenue Bonds has been returned to the General Fund. The College has also returned the payment of leases on modular classrooms to the General Fund.

Mr. Lau reported that the County of Imperial has assisted the College with a \$1.3 million grant request to enhance the bus area. The College should know by mid-summer if the grant proposal will be funded. In addition, second year funding in the amount of \$1 million may be available.

The committee asked about the next bond sale, and Mr. Lau stated that a final sale in the amount of \$9 million can be held in about two years.

David Zielinski expressed his concern about the possible demolition of the 500 buildings which are used for the majority of English classes. He asked about the plans for the 400 building and the possibility of allocation of space for English classrooms and offices. Mr. Lau stated that the College will be doing a capacity inventory of classroom and office space, and will try to assess the impact of the Science Building and other possible reallocation of space. Rick Webster stated there are no plans to do away 500 buildings in the near future.

5. Membership update: John Lau reported that Dr. Paul Chounet, Assistant Superintendent of the Brawley Elementary School District has submitted an application to serve on the Oversight Committee. He has served on an oversight committee previously. Mr. Lau stated that a member from the Calexico area is currently being sought.
6. Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Friday, March 21, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. with the following items to be discussed:
 - Bid results
 - Energy conservation
 - Revised project overview

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.