

**BANNING UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
161 W. WILLIAMS STREET
BANNING, CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES OF THE 1st GENERAL MEETING OF
CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, MEASURE M**

April 20, 2017

Meeting held at:
**District Administration Center
Board/Conference Room**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum

Present: Chris McCallum; Mike Rose; Richard Krick; Veronica Topete

Absent: Susan McQuown; Ron Duncan; Diana Benhar

Community Member Present: None

BUSD Staff Present: Robert T. Guillen, Superintendent; Kookie Williams, Exec Secretary.

Guests Present: Char Yarnall, PJHM Architects, Kris Meyer, Ledesma & Meyer
Construction Management

3. Approval of Minutes

No prior Minutes to approve.

4. Communications

Community Concerns

None

Committee Concerns

None

Cabinet Comments

None

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5. Information/ Discussion

5.1 Measure M Next Steps – Complete

There were no comments

5.2 Current COC Members and their Terms

There were no comments

5.3 Architectural Renderings of Fine Arts and Career Tech Ed (CTE) Buildings

Mike Rose expressed interest in the old house located at 778 W. Westward Avenue, saying that he would like the opportunity to preserve the house as having historical value, and move it to another location rather than the District having it demolished. Robert T. Guillen, Superintendent, agreed. Mr. Rose will research where the house can be moved to.

Richard Krick asked about the status of acquisition of the two properties located on W. Westward Avenue between the high school and 778 W. Westward. Robert Guillen explained that the property owners have been non-responsive to District communications – the most recent was a phone call in which a property swap was discussed with an owner. After the call she was mailed current appraisals of the two properties for her to review.

Ms. Yarnall introduced the BHS Library/Administration Building swap (per renderings), whereas the District intends to turn the Library into the Administration building for security and safety reasons. There was discussion on how this swap will help to insure non-student and non-staff will not have access to the entire campus on their way to check-in at the Admin office.

Veronica Topete questioned the ideas of an Agriculture Center, soccer fields, etc., on property not yet acquired by the District. Kookie explained that only the Fine Arts (FA) Theater and Career Technical Education (CTE) buildings will be financed through the Measure M bond.

Mr. Rose brought up concerns with what the Carpenters' Union had promised the District, concerning the true market for Carpenters (specifically Union Carpenters). He questions whether they are completely straightforward about actual availability and does not want to give our kids false hopes regarding taking the class and becoming employed straight out of high school. There was discussion around the tour of the Union facility on February 14, 2017, and the curriculum they offer. Veronica Topete suggested (or Union representatives) are sure to *not* make our students any promises.

Restrooms in the CTE building were discussed. There will be approximately 5 restrooms total: 4 labeled "All Gender" (per recent mandates), and 1 for "Staff Only".

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5.3 Architectural Renderings, cont'd....

Possible construction materials were discussed.

Richard Krick inquired about the parking entrances and asked if there will be a bridge over the flood channel at the parking lots depicted in the renderings. Char Yarnall (PJHM) answered that the renderings are just a beginning idea of one possibility, and that she is in contact with the Riverside County Flood Control Department regarding what they will accept as appropriate design using/crossing the channel.

Due to Mr. Krick's involvement with the City Council, Mr. Guillen mentioned that he would like to have him present at the District's next meeting with Rancho San Gorgonio (RSG) Architect, Pete Pitassi, regarding developing the channel.

5.4 Measure M Financial Report

Kookie Williams explained the report and the reason for the beginning balance of Measure M (Fund 21/Resource 7710) not being the entire \$25,500,000 (cost of issuance).

Richard Krick asked what the District got for the \$181,328.27 expended for Architectural services. Mrs. Williams said she would bring the PJHM proposal to the next meeting and Char Yarnall went through the steps they had taken thus far.

Mr. Krick asked how the numbers on the Projected Expenditure schedule work. Char Yarnall explained protocol and procedure for going after additional construction revenue from the State. There is criteria for obtaining Proposition 51 funding, for what the State considers a Hardship District, and for Modernization, which is a 60/40 cost split (District – 60%). During further discussion, Robert Guillen explained how the District can maximize dollars, by encumbering total bond monies before going after State revenue.

5.5 Review Tentative Meeting Schedule for COC 2016-17 School Year

Members present and District staff agreed on the proposed date of the next meeting to be Thursday, June 15, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. However, upon returning to the office, Mrs. Williams found that a Special Board meeting had been scheduled for that night. So the meeting will be scheduled for July 6, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. instead.

6. Action

No further action

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7. Future Agenda Items

To elect a head Chairperson

8. Adjournment

At 8:00 p.m., this meeting for Measure M adjourned and the final meeting for Measure R was immediately called to order.